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 1, Quai de Rouen,
ANTWERP

Sirs,

S/S "LEOPOLDVILLE"

We have much pleasure in submitting you herewith,
 approval, our plans N° I489 and I491.

The intention of the Owners is to carry, during
 outward voyage, in N° I tank and new cofferdam, oil fuel. In the
 bound voyage, they would carry palm oil in N° I tank and in
 case the cofferdam would remain empty. All the new pipes, sound
 suction and filling, are indicated on the plans.

In tank N° I, to avoid the cleaning of bilges, we
 proposed to close them by a plate fitted over the existing
 brackets and of the same thickness as the margin plate. The
 have asked on this subject, to examine to alternatives:

The new bilge compartments remain as separate and independent
 with separate air and suction pipe. The access to these com-
 parts is provided, at each end, by one manhole with bolted oil-
 door.

The bilges and doublebottom tank form one compartment. To reach
 this, we have made man-, air- and drainholes in the margin

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plates as shown on the plans.

The owners have not yet decided which disposition they will adopt and we therefore beg you to examine both.

As regards the two extreme stiffeners on the oiltight bulkhead, which are cut in way of the bilges to permit the placement of a continuous boundary bar, we think it unnecessary to refit brackets on these. The bulkhead plating will be, at that place, considerably stiffened by the new plate over the ^{bilge} margin brackets, so that, with the stiffeners without brackets, the bulkhead will ^{still} be stronger than before. We have although, foreseen a lug on the second stiffener, counting from the shell.

We would like to have your approval, to remove the remaining ends and brackets of the stiffeners under the new plate, in case the owners would prefer to have less obstacles, in that bilge space, for cleaning and upkeep purposes.

Hoping to have an early reply, we remain, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

C. J. M. M.

Encl: Two plans in triplicate.



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