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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

15th December, 1937.

Dear Sirs,

E. With reference to recent correspondence relating to the case of the steamer "IRENE MARIA", I have to inform you that the Report of the investigation carried out by one of the Society's Special Surveyors for Steel stationed at Glasgow on the sample of defective combustion chamber plating taken from the port boiler four or five years ago, has now come to hand.

It would appear from this Report that the result of the investigation is inconclusive, and it would be of assistance in the matter if samples of material could be obtained from the starboard boiler. I shall therefore be obliged if you will be good enough to obtain, if possible, and forward to this Office samples of the defective combustion chamber plating from the starboard boiler.

The samples should be large enough to enable tensile and bend tests to be made and should also include the cracked portion of the plating. They should not be damaged in any way, either mechanically or by heating.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,
ROTTERDAM.

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