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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

28th February, 1930.

Dear Sirs,

S. With reference to my letter of yesterday's date respecting the case of your twin screw steamer "SULTAN STAR", and to my conversation with your Mr. Thomson over the telephone this afternoon, I now have pleasure in giving hereunder copies of the decoded cablegrams sent to and received from Lloyd's Agents at St. Vincent regarding this case.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

pro Secretary.

Messrs. The Blue Star Line (1920) Ltd.,
40, St. Mary Axe,
E.C.3.

Cablegram Sent:-

"SULTANSTAR RETURNING TO THIS COUNTRY OWING TO TROUBLE REDUCTION GEARING MAIN ENGINE DUE AT YOUR PORT TODAY APPOINT COMPETENT INDEPENDENT SURVEYOR TO HOLD NECESSARY EXAMINATION BEFORE DEPARTURE FORWARD REPORT OF SURVEYOR DUE COURSE".

Cablegram Received

SULTANSTAR ARRIVED EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED DOUBLE DEDUCTION GEARING STARBOARD ENGINE SURVEY HAS BEEN HELD FORWARDING TO YOU REPORT WHEN TEMPORARY REPAIRS TO ENGINES EFFECTED, VESSEL PROCEEDING AT REDUCED SPEED PORT ENGINE BIRKENHEAD KEEPING STARBOARD ENGINE IN RESERVE STOP ALL CARGO MAILS AND PASSENGERS SAFELY TRANSHIPPED AVELONA STAR SULTANSTAR WILL SAIL BIRKENHEAD FRIDAY AFTERNOON"