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High Close, Wiltshire Road,

Wokingham, Berks.
2nd January, 1940.

R. Dear Sirs,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo confirming that you have no objection to the record of "Sunk - War Loss 11,39" being made against the name of the steamer "SIMON BOLIVAR" in this Society's Register Book.

Regarding the last paragraph of your letter, the word "SUNK" does not apply to the place where a vessel sinks but to the state or condition she is in consequent upon the casualty.

The casualty records in the Society's Register Book are of necessity very brief, such as "Wrecked 11,39", "Burnt 6,38", "Dismantled", etc. It is in the periodical Wreck Returns, compiled by this Society, where the circumstances, place and date of a casualty is inserted, and no doubt it was these Returns which you had in mind.

Trusting that this explanation will be of assistance to you,

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

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