

S.S. "Simon Bolivar"

It is submitted the Rotterdam Surveyors be informed that provided the Linged shutters in vessels' sides between upper and second decks be fitted as shown and amended on the plans and be made watertight to Surveyors satisfaction, a freeboard of 12'-7" from statutory deck line at the upper edge of wood upper deck, corresponding to Table C of the Freeboard regulations, could be approved.

As the openings referred to above are required for service when trading in the West Indies an additional freeboard will be required, as already pointed out, and to enable this freeboard to be determined the Surveyor should forward full particulars as for a well-deck vessel on Form 11b, giving particulars of all bulkheads and their closing appliances between the upper and second decks. They should also forward an amended 11C Form giving full particulars of the means adopted for closing the side openings and the draining arrangements in way of same as actually fitted in the ship.

With regard to the Catten the Surveyors should be informed that it is considered two 5 inch scuppers should be fitted on each side in way of the well, and that these should be fitted with screw-down non-return valves, to prevent the entry of water when the vessel is fully loaded.

Retain one plan.

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