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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

19th October, 1932.

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant forwarding Rpt.C11 in the case of the steamer "AUSTRALIA" and with regard thereto I have to confirm the telegrams which have passed between us today as follows:-

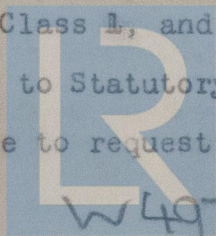
Sent.

"AUSTRALIA wire distance between bridge front bulkhead and foremost bulkhead in bridge tween decks which is intact or fitted with Class 1 closing appliances".

Received.

"AUSTRALIA distance between bridge front bulkhead and foremost bulkhead in bridge tween decks twentythree feet six inches openings closed by three inch stormboards in riveted channels full height".

I have to inform you that before the freeboards can be computed in this case it will be necessary for you to state the distance between the bridge front bulkhead and the foremost bulkhead in the bridge tween decks which is either intact or has its openings closed by Class 1 closing appliances. Storm boards in riveted channels do not come under the category of Class 1, and for the definition of Class 1 you should refer to Statutory Rules and Orders, page 24, section 50. I have to request that you will



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telegraph this information at the earliest possible moment in order that the freeboard assignment and certificate may be sent to you without delay.

Meanwhile to comply with the requirements of the Convention the following conditions must be carried out:-

1. Efficient means of closing should be provided for the openings of all air pipes and No.2 ventilator coaming to the accommodation in the poop space.
2. Suitable provision should be made for rigging lifelines which should be available for use in any part of the ship which might have to be used by the crew in the regular working thereof.
3. Storm boards in riveted channels for the full height of the openings should be provided for closing the openings in the forecastle bulkhead.
4. Covers, tarpaulins and efficient battening arrangements should be provided for the bunker hatchway on the bridge deck if this is not already the case.
5. The sanitary discharges from any intact space in the long poop should be provided with storm valves if this is not already the case.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,  
FALMOUTH.

pro Secretary.

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