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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

16th August, 1917.

Dear Tom,

Your freeboard report on the "CARDIGAN" has come to hand, but you make no reference to the correspondence regarding the closing or dispensing with the tonnage opening, and the compliance with the requirements of Circular 1292.

On the approved profile you have noted against the tonnage opening - "To be made as a complete weather deck hatch." I shall be glad if you will kindly let me know whether the opening has been made and constructed as a permanent hatch, or whether the deck has been plated over, thus entirely dispensing with the opening.

Please also let me know whether scupper holes were cut through the shell plating and afterwards closed with riveted plates, or whether the vessel was plated without any such openings having been made.

It is necessary to have this information for future reference in case of any question arising regarding the case.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,



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