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HEAD OFFICE: 71, FENCHURCH STREET, LONDON, E.C.3.

Paseo de Colon, No. 11,

Barcelona, 17th October 1932



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Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that I have this afternoon been in communication with that very good friend of this Society, Sr. Don Miguel Andónegui of the Cia. Trasatlantica, in connection with the new freeboard assigned by the Government Inspector here. to their vessel "CRISTOBAL COLON".

I was informed that immediately prior to the vessel sailing from here, the freeboard was marked, the disc being as much as 1m 20 cms. above the old position. This brings the coaling doors in the ship's side practically half under water and the ports in N<sup>o</sup> 4 tween dk. accomodation under water, a recommendation being made that these port doors be firmly secured.

The Company feel that something is wrong and Sr. Andónegui has openly stated that the vessel is not safe if sailing at these marks. He asks me to write you in the strictest confidence and would be obliged to know approximately what freeboard would have been assigned by this Society.

As I have not personally seen the new marks, which have been cut on the ship's side I understand, and as the new certificate will not be issued until the 24th instant, this is quite unofficial

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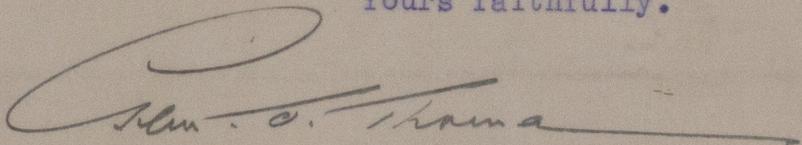
but I will inform the Committee, immediately official confirmation of this change is received.

The Owners state that the vessel is sailing to the old marks in the meantime.

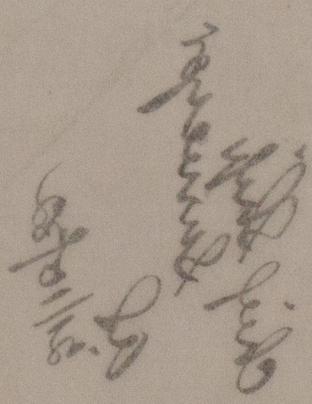
I should mention that only in the case of this vessel and that of the "JUAN SEBASTIAN ELCANO" will the freeboard be assigned by the Government Inspector and I am assured that in all other cases the work is to be given to this Society, requests for assignement for three vessels, as you are aware, having already been received.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully.



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For the Chief Ship Surveyor

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THE SECRETARY

*[Handwritten signature]*

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed charterparty for the vessel "ALBERTA" and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the Committee for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Yours faithfully,  
The Secretary

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