

"EL PARAGUAYO".

It is submitted the Owners be advised that, from the information received from the Society's Surveyors at Liverpool, it would appear that, in order to comply with the requirements of the Convention, the following will require to be done:-

- (1) The carriers for the hatchways fore and afters should be increased to give a bearing surface of 3".
- (2) Gangways, lifelines or other satisfactory means for the protection of the crew to be fitted on the freeboard deck.
- (3) Snifting holes should be drilled in the upper part of the bend of all air pipes 17" in height and under.

They should be informed that the summer freeboard as computed under the Convention is about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " greater than the existing summer freeboard but as the vessel is an "existing ship", the latter, as assigned under the 1906 regulations, may be retained. The above conditions of assignment required by the Convention regulations must, however, be complied with when the Convention is ratified.

The Liverpool Surveyors should be advised as above.

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