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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

Your Ref:- LB/DM.

6th February, 1939.

Dear Sir,

M. I duly received your letter of the 2nd instant in further reference to the Inquiry to be held into the loss of the S.S. "RUMORE", and in reply thereto I beg to inform you that, as stated in my letter of the 1st instant, no sketch is available in this Office showing the details of the strengthening to the flat of the bottom forward.

In the First Entry Report, however, the Surveyor states that the midship thickness of the bottom and side plating has been maintained all fore and aft, which makes it clear that item (3) mentioned in my letter has been complied with.

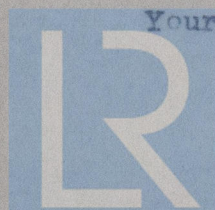
With regard to items (1), (2) and (4), no space is arranged on the First Entry Report for reporting these particulars, which are covered by the general statement appended by the Surveyor at the end of the report, which reads as follows:

"This vessel has been built in accordance with the
"approved plans, and in general conformity with the
"Rules of the Society".

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

The Solicitor,
Board of Trade,
Great George Street,
LONDON, S.W. 1.



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