

S.S. "SOENGEI GERONG"

The 2nd S.S.No.2 became due in 10,31, and a proposal to carry this out within the year of grace was agreed to, provided the vessel were generally examined and favourably reported upon. In December last the vessel came under survey for damage, condition, and general examination for postponement of the Special Survey, and the Surveyor recommended she be continued as classed, without fresh record of survey, subject to the starboard anchor being tested, and to the upper structure in the main cargo tanks, summer tanks and upper parts of the bulkheads throughout the vessel being carefully examined at the Special Survey. An interim certificate to this effect was issued, to which was added a note that the tank end bulkheads had been tested and found in good condition. When this report received the consideration of the Committee on 15.1.32, action was deferred for the S.S.No.2 etc.

A letter has now been received from the Inspector General of Navigation, Holland, stating that the Owners have applied for a certificate from the Shipping Inspection up to the end of October 1932. He points out that he has been informed by them that the Society's Sourabaya Surveyor has transmitted to the Committee a report stating that all repairs recommended by him have been completed to his satisfaction, and that he recommends the ship to be continued as classed 100A1, being fit to carry petroleum in bulk until the end of October 1932, and he desires to know if this has been agreed to.

As this information is required by a Government Authority, in regard to an application made to them by the Owners for a certificate, it is submitted there does not appear to be any objection to informing the Inspector General of Navigation that the vessel has been generally examined by the Society's Surveyor at Sourabaya, and that the Committee have agreed to a proposal to carry out the 2nd S.S.No.2 within the year of grace, which expires at the end of October 1932.

The Owners should be advised.

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