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Dear Sir,

With reference to the final paragraph of your letter of the 19th August, I enclose herewith a copy of a statutory declaration made by Mr. Marks who was a fireman on board the vessel on her last voyage but one.

I think it would be useful if Mr. Watt would be so good as to consider what Mr. Marks has to say, and especially what he says in paragraph 18, in the last sentence of which is the statement that the waves on the deck plates abaft the main bridge were more pronounced when the vessel was loaded, then being about 4 inches high. Mr. Watt will, of course, know the distance between the cross beams of the ship and the thickness of the deck plates, and he will therefore be able to express an expert opinion on the statement referred to above.

If there are any other matters in Mr. Marks' declaration on which Mr. Watt has comments to make I am sure that the Court will be glad to have his views on the subject.

Yours truly,

*W. Watt*

for Solicitor,  
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