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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

23rd October, 1931.

Dear Sir,

M. With reference to the reports which have appeared in the press regarding the probable loss of the Japanese Steamer "YONAN MARU", No. 38950 in the Register Book, it is observed that the vessel appears to have been carrying a deckload of timber, and if fully loaded the proportions of breadth to draught would indicate a reserve of stability below the average.

In the circumstances it is desired that you will be so good as to forward to this Office particulars of any enquiry which may be held into the loss of this vessel, and apart from that it would be interesting to receive from you any information which you may be able to collect in regard to the draught and conditions of loading, including distribution of cargo, at the time the vessel sailed.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

H. Jasper Cox, Esq.,

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