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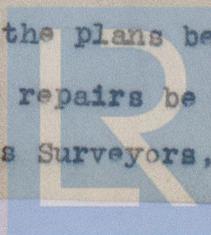
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9th September 1919.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to your letters of the 19th and 27th ultimo respecting the proposed classification with this Society of the S.S. "VICTORIEUX" ex "ALENTEJO" ex "UCKERMARK", I am directed to inform you that plans of the vessel have been obtained from Mr. J.W. Isherwood, the designer, and the case has received careful consideration.

The question of the classification and repairs has been discussed in this Office with Mr. Russell, representing the Owners, and I have the pleasure to state that provided the shelter deck sheerstrake be made .90 in thickness for half length amidships, the collision bulkhead be extended to the shelter deck (if this has not already been done) and additionally strengthened as indicated on the plans, ceiling be fitted on the tank top in way of the hatchways, and the tunnel be strengthened if found necessary to the satisfaction of the Society's Surveyors, the transverse frames where renewed be as shewn and amended on the plans forwarded by your good-selves, the scantlings as shewn on the plans be verified by the Surveyor and found correct, the repairs be carried out to the satisfaction of the Society's Surveyors, having in



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view the nature of the damage sustained by fire, and on a favourable report being received from them on completion, the vessel will be eligible to be classed 100A- "Shelter Deck", subject to the freeboards to be assigned by the Committee, the same to be marked on the vessel's sides, inserted in the certificate of classification, and recorded in the Register Book, and with the special notation "Longitudinal Framing".

If the Figure 1 for equipment is desired, the Society's Surveyors should report to this Office with regard to the equipment at present on board the vessel.

One complete set of the plans forwarded with your letters under reply together with those obtained from the designer of the vessel, Mr. Isherwood, is being forwarded to your address under separate cover. One set is also being sent to the Society's local Surveyors, and the third set retained in this Office for reference.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Assistant to the Secretary.

Messrs. The Rotterdam Droogdok Maatschappij,

ROTTERDAM.



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