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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.

13th April, 1915.

Dear Sirs,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant and to acquaint you that the Committee have given the same their very careful consideration at their meeting today.

In reply I have the pleasure to say that in the exceptional circumstances to which you refer the Committee have deferred action in the cases of the steamers "SCALPA", "STAFFA" and "VIENNA" for a period of three months.

With reference to the steamer "DEINA" the Committee are willing to accede to your wishes to postpone the surveys until the expiration of the time charter at the end of June and they trust that your arrangements will, as regards this vessel, be such as to admit of the boilers and screw shaft being then submitted for examination.

In the case of the steamer "STETTIN", however, I have to point out that the Fourth Special Survey No. 3 became due so long as April last year, so that the year of grace allowed by the Rules for the completion of the same will expire this month and I have to say that in view of

the vessel's age and the importance of the special survey,
the Committee consider an endeavour should be made to carry
it out at a very early date.

I shall therefore be obliged if you will kindly
let me know for the Committee's information what steps you
propose taking for this to be done.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Messrs. James Currie & Co.,

16, Bernard Street,

Leith.