

22 MAY 1959

by Chief Ship Surveyor  
GB

Received from Chief Ship Surveyor

S NAME "BRITISH GRATITUDE"

REPORT

Fal.

No. 13507

The remarks of the Chief Ship Surveyor are desired on this case for the consideration of the Classing Committee.

("The endorsement to contain a succinct summary of any repairs that have been required and to show the cause or causes of such repairs, and also to bring out clearly any exceptional features in connection with the case, so that the Classing Committee may have all the salient points presented in the endorsement."—Extract from Sub-Committee's Report, 24/5/52.)

The class of this ship is subject to set up keel plates 2 & 3 and bottom shell plates A.2, 13 & 15, B.2, 3, 14 & 15 and C.13 (p.s. from fwd) also to indented shell plates H.10 & 11 (p.s. from fwd) being dealt with, and to pitted tank top in E.R. being examined and dealt with as necessary, by the next Special Survey.

There is an S.R.L. Appendix Note.

SPECIAL SURVEY (C) became due 11,57, but the ship was laid up in the River Fal. 12,57.

The ship was given the notation "LAID UP - SURVEYS OVER DUE 11,57" in 2,59.

Request for issue of certificate to allow the ship to proceed as an unclassified hulk in tow to the Continent, approved 1,5.59, provided a satisfactory General Examination is held.

The FALMOUTH Surveyors report (5,59), the ship examined afloat and condition considered satisfactory for proposed voyage.

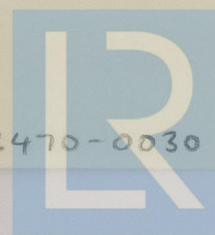
In view of the above IT IS SUBMITTED the proposal to tow the ship in ballast, as an unclassified hulk, to a Belgian port merits approval, but ACTION be DEFERRED pending further information, subject as above.

SUBJECT

IN S.R.L. APPENDIX

(Steelwork adjacent to aluminium heating coils in No.5 centre cargo tank to be specially examined next drydocking).

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