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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,  
BUREAU OF NAVIGATION,  
WASHINGTON.

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Mr. James French,  
Lloyds Register of Shipping,  
NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Mr. French,

Referring to our conversation during your visit to the Bureau, particularly in regard to the annual endorsement of loadline certificates by classification Societies' surveyors, you are advised that this endorsement will only be necessary in the case of foreign vessels registered in countries which do not have loadline laws and regulations considered equivalent to the United States Laws and regulations.

The vessels of those countries listed in Appendix C of the Regulations will not require the annual endorsement of their certificates.

Under this decision a British vessel marked under the 1906 Rules will not require endorsement of her certificate; a Panamanian marked under the 1906 Rules will require an endorsement of her certificate certifying "the provisions of the 1906 Rules of the British Board of Trade determining loadlines being fully complied with by this ship, this certificate is renewed till (for not over one year)

Respectfully,

sgd. A.J. TYRER

Commissioner.



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