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Lloyd's Register of Shipping
BARCELONA

Dear Sirs,

Having recently purchased the ore carrier "ASTURIA" ex "LUCELLUM" for breaking up purposes in this port where the vessel is actually, we have to inform you as follows:-

When purchasing the vessel we were informed by the owner that the Light Displacement amounted to 5.700 tons. Later and at our request he sent us two plans, one of hydrostatic curves and the other a plan of cargo capacity from which the Light Displacement (that is the cargo displacement less the deadweight) is 5.480 tons against the 5.700 tons indicated by the owner.

In view of this difference and in order to be able to arrive to a friendly solution between us and the owner, we have decided to request a third party, with technical guarantee, in this case your Society. Lloyd's Register of Shipping is the one with most conditions of knowledge and impartiality of an international character, for which we should be much obliged if you would take this case, calculating the Light Displacement which in your opinion the vessel has from the above plans.

We believe that it will be easy for you to check the authenticity of the plans we refer to and we have to state that the wastages and corrosions are to our account, so that the Light Displacement we require is not the actual one of the vessel, but that of the vessel when she was leaving the yards after the conversion from tanker to ore carrier, calculated from the above plans.

Awaiting your news,

Yours faithfully

FRANCISCO ALBERICH



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