

31st July, 1951.

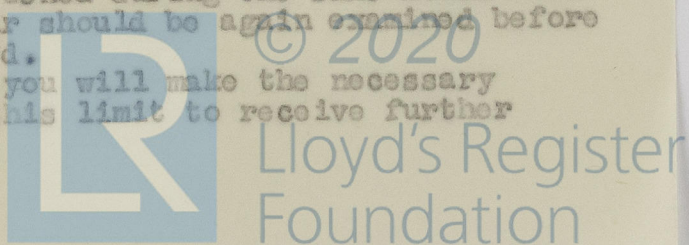
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220. As recommended.

197 "CROSTAFELS". As recommended, the contents of your letter of the 16th instant being noted, the class having been continued subject only, as regards the hull, to the deep tank not being used until tested. The items in respect of tank top plating in No.2 hold (p & s) and indented stem and stem plating have been recorded as endorsements.

I think it well to point out that subsequent to your survey, an examination was made at Antwerp in April, of a crack running circumferentially round the forward side of the H.P. valve chest casing. A temporary repair was carried out and it was recommended that this repair should be again examined before the end of July 1951. A further examination was made at Genoa during the same month when the recommendation that this repair should be again examined before the end of this month was continued.

I shall therefore be glad if you will make the necessary arrangements with the Owners for this limit to receive further attention as recommended.



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