

For attachment to "Coruche"

Enclosure.

4th August, 1949.

Dear Sirs,

M.V. "CORUCHE"

3. Owned by Sociedade Geral de Comercio
Industria e Transportes Ltda.

I enclose herewith for your information a photographic copy of a report of survey recently received from the Halifax Surveyors, from which you will observe that a full investigation has been made into the case of "whipping" of the intermediate shafting of this vessel.

As you are no doubt aware, this is the third of four sister vessels recently built in Canada under Special Survey for the same Owners, the former two - the "CARTAXO" and the "COLARES" - having been classed with conditions attached as regards the machinery. It may be added that a report has also been received on the fourth vessel - the "COVILHA" - which is substantially the same.

In view of the arrangements which have been made in this case to supply and fit an additional bearing to the intermediate shafting at the Owners' convenience, I shall be glad if you will arrange to discuss the matter with the Owners as regards all four vessels and let me know in due course what arrangements they propose making.

In the meantime it is recommended that the engine speeds of the "CORUCHE" and "COVILHA" should not exceed 270 R.P.M., the engine speeds of the "CARTAXO" and the "COLARES" already having been restricted to 250 and 230 R.P.M. respectively.

I should add that in the case of the "COVILHA", the Halifax Surveyors also recommend that No. 8 main bearing of the crankshaft should be examined by the end of the present month, and I shall be glad if you will bring this to the Owners' attention.

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,
LISBON.

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

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P.S. - Since writing the above I think it well to inform you that the First Entry Report on the "COVILHA" has today received the consideration of the Committee who have assigned full class of @ 100.A1 with freeboard, with notation of @ L.M.C. 5.42, subject to additional intermediate shaft bearing being fitted on the first opportunity, the speed of the main engine not to exceed 270 R.P.M. meantime.

It is hoped to place the report on the "CORUCHE" before the Committee for assignment of classification next week.

In view of the arrangements which have been made in this case to supply and fit an additional bearing on the intermediate shafting at the Owner's convenience, I shall be glad if you will arrange to discuss the matter with the Owners as regards all four vessels and let me know in due course how arrangements they propose making.

In the meantime it is recommended that the engine speeds of the "CORUCHE" and "COVILHA" should not exceed 270 R.P.M., the engine speeds of the "CORUCHE" and the "COVILHA" already having been restricted to 250 and 260 R.P.M. respectively.

I should add that in the case of the "CORUCHE" the hull surveyors also recommend that the 2.5 in. diameter shaft should be examined by the hull surveyors and I shall be glad to draw your attention to this.

Yours faithfully,

Chief of the
Classification Committee.



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