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FO....LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING, LONDON.
DATE...23rd FEBRUARY, 1951. REF..E/JJ/LS

Dear Sir,

CLASSIFICATION SURVEYS.

We acknowledge your letter of 19th February enclosing statement of your requirements in connection with the vessels of our Fleet which we propose should be brought into Class.

We confirm our telephone conversations of Thursday when we asked you to clarify the position regarding the following vessels. We note that you only wish to see these vessels in drydock and that we may record a notation of D.S.*

"AUTOMEDON"
"AETIOCHUS"
"AUTOLYCUS"

"CLYTONEUS"
"CYCLOPS"

As you may be aware, "Automedon" drydocked only this week in this port, and was seen in the drydock by your Mr. Lockhart. Is a further inspection necessary?

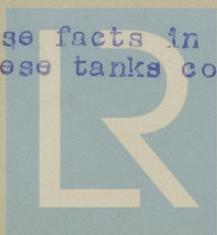
We also confirm our query as to whether the "Glenroy" should not have Lloyds rather than British Corporation notation. As we advised you, the "Glenroy" has always had a Lloyds Load Line Certificate. This vessel is fitted to carry bulk oil cargoes in No. 4 hold deep tanks and tween deck wing tanks.

"Idomeneus" Since your representatives' visit to this Office, we have been looking through the repair lists for this vessel over the past four years and notice that No. 3 D.B. was entered by Mr. Millar, B.C., at Singapore in July, 1949, whilst No. 8 D.B. has been seen internally as follows:-

Singapore.	October, 1949.	Mr. Knowles (Lloyds)
Singapore.	November, 1950.	Mr. Watson. (Lloyds)

No. 8 D.B. was originally an O.F./W.B. Tank, but as you may be aware there is a note on the plan stating that the tank was converted for F.W. in October, 1948.

We draw your attention to these facts in case you feel that the note about pittings in these tanks could be deleted.



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"Orestes" Similarly, in view of the examination of Nos. 1² and 9 D.B. carried out by Mr. Millar and Mr. Brown in Singapore in June, 1949, and the completion of the Load Line Survey at that time, could the reference to corrosion and pitting in these tanks be deleted?

As requested by your goodselves, we will give you due notice whenever we propose to submit a vessel for examination. "Ajax", "Acaremnon" and "Menestheus" will, however, be based on Hong Kong, and our resident Superintendent will attend to the Survey in each case unless other arrangements have to be made.

"Charon", "Gorgon", "Idomeneus" and "Orestes" are based on Singapore and will also be attended to by our resident Superintendent there. According to present arrangements "Charon" will be drydocking about the middle of next month, to be followed by "Gorgon" at end March/early April. Drydocking arrangements for "Idomeneus" and "Orestes" have not yet been made.

Would it, therefore, be possible for you to send detailed instructions to your Surveyors in Hong Kong and Singapore as to what is required in regard to the vessels based on those ports and leave the matter of date of survey to be mutually arranged between our Superintendent and your local Representatives?

A reply at your early convenience will oblige.

Yours truly,

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Superintendent Shipwright.



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