

S/T "ESSO MARACAY" now named "WAALHAVEN"
S/T "ESSO BERTHOLM"

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Mr. Musgrave of the Esso Petroleum Co., Ltd.,
has telephoned that both these ships were sold by

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Dear Sirs, S/T "KATENDRECHT" & "WAALHAVEN"

I duly received your letter of the 6th instant and in view of the unusual circumstances surrounding these cases the request from the shipbreakers has been submitted to the Committee today for a decision.

The Committee's view is that any reply you send to Messrs. N.V. Simons' Metaalhandel, should not contain any expression of opinion, but should be based solely on the facts as known.

It is therefore suggested that you inform the shipbreakers that the "WAALHAVEN" was last seen in dry dock by one of the Society's Surveyors in August 1956, and that a Main Boiler Survey became due in August 1957.

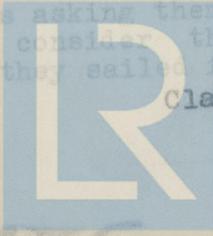
As regards the "KATENDRECHT" she was last seen in dry dock in June 1956, and a Main Boiler Survey became due in June 1957.

None of these inspections had been held at the time the vessels sailed from Maracaibo to Curacao, although class maintenance in each instance was subject to these overdue surveys receiving attention before the vessel proceeded to sea. The classes were therefore expunged immediately it came to the Committee's knowledge that the ships had sailed without this requirement being fulfilled.

Yours faithfully,

The new Owners have asked the Rotterdam Surveyors asking them in fact the Surveyors consider the class at the time they sailed from Curacao. Clerk to the Classification Committee

The Surveyors,
ROTTERDAM.



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