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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

AIR MAIL.

19th February, 1947.

Dear Sir,

L.S.T. 3004 and L.S.T. 3018.

I duly received your letter of the 29th November 1946, regarding the above ships, which it is noted have been purchased by Sr. Fonte and are to be towed to your Port for completion, modifications and Classification with this Society.

The matter has been looked into and I have to state that provided the vessels are completed in accordance with the approved plans and to your satisfaction with the bow doors plated up and an efficient fore peak bulkhead fitted, the vessels could on completion of a survey suitable to their age, be recommended to the Committee for the class A- with freeboard corresponding to a summer moulded draught of 16' "For Coasting Service between Trinidad and the River Plate". Since there are no transverse bulkheads in the hold space an appropriate notation regarding the omission of bulkheads will require to be made in the Register Book. It will be necessary for the forward hatch coamings which are only 18" in height to be modified to comply with the requirements of the Rules. Additional stiffening will be required at the stern, and a copy of a plan showing this will be forwarded to you as soon as possible. If the large ventilators are retained it will be necessary for the coamings to be fitted in accordance with the requirements of the Rules.

Plans showing the proposed alterations and amended Piping Arrangements should be submitted for consideration.

Copies of the relative Reports and plans will be made and forwarded to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

M. Caldwell, Esq.,
RIO DE JANEIRO.

P.S. A further communication will be sent you regarding fees.