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(F.A.M.)

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

28th January, 1925.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, requesting on behalf of Captain Weltbach, of the Esthonian steamer "KAJAK", that arrangements be made for an inspection by the Society's Surveyors of the steamer "DICH-TA00", at present laid up at Brest.

In reply I have to explain that this vessel, formerly holding the class "A- with Freeboard, Coasting in the Black Sea" in the Society's Register Book, had her class withdrawn in 1910. It is contrary to the Committee's practice to authorise the Society's Surveyors to undertake Condition Surveys of any mercantile vessels, and in the circumstances they regret that no survey could be held on this vessel excepting for the purpose of re-classification in the Register Book, and then only with the written consent of the Owners.

The Committee accordingly much regret that they are unable to comply with your wishes in this instance, and I confirm my telegram to you on the subject to-day as follows,

viz.:- "DICTA00 Regret unable undertake any survey of this vessel except for purpose of reclassing and then only with written consent Owners."

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

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