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I 14th January, 1947.

Dear Sir,  
The Société Anonyme Ossude have recently salvaged their Hopper Barge "ANDROMÈDE II" which was sunk by demolition charges placed in way of the Engine and Boiler Rooms.

The main engine has been found to be badly broken and all that remains is the cylinders, crank shaft, connecting and piston rods and these will all more or less require some form of repair.

Owing to the prohibitive cost of a new engine, the Owners are most anxious to rebuild the existing one, but before doing so, they would like to know if the Society will accept welding in way of the cylinder column feet, four of which are badly broken, as will be seen from the two enclosed photographs.

I have made enquiries and find that a local firm specialise in this type of work and have been most successful with other similar repairs; they have also assured me that if the repair is entrusted to them they will guarantee the work. I believe they have a properly constructed pre heating furnace and use gas welding with a soft cast iron rod.

I would therefore be much obliged if you would give me a quick reply as I believe the Owners have an option on a new engine. I also think it would help them considerably if you could convey your decision to Mr. Guy Ossude who is at present in London and will no doubt call on you.

The Dredger "CENTAURE" owned by the same company is also being repaired after extensive damage, but in this case, new engine and boilers are being installed.

The damaged boiler is however still lying at Toulon and the Owners are rather inclined to carry out repairs and either use it for one of their own craft or sell it. The explosion apparently took place in way of the front plate bottom door and consequently the plating in way is badly

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broken and lower section will have to be renewed from about the furnace centre line and I should be glad to learn to what extent electric welding could be employed, should the Owners decide to retain the Society's Certificate.

I am, Dear Sir,  
Yours faithfully.

R. Macaulay

The Secretary,  
London.



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Referred to the Chief Ship Surveyor,  
and the Chief Engineer Surveyor.

REQUESTING EARLY REPLY.

I am, Dear Sir,  
Yours faithfully,

as "ANDREW Y. CRYSTAL" s/s

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