

9th March, 1948.

Dear Sir,

M.S. "LA HAGUE" & M.S. "LA HEVE" (RMC).

H. I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th instant in further reference to the cases of the above-named vessels, and note that you hope to receive definite information shortly regarding their future, and I accordingly await the receipt of a further communication from you on the subject.

I take this opportunity to point out that the particulars of the above vessels have recently been examined in connection with references made by the Canadian Builders of several sister vessels. It has been found that the installations were designed for Mediterranean services, they are not suitable for dealing with tropical fruits and the notation should be restricted "For Mediterranean Services."

Further, there are two separate spaces in No. 6, but the hold, lower and upper 'tween decks of No. 3, are in fact only one space for refrigeration purposes, as the intermediate decks are not insulated and the cold air system is common to the whole of the space. There are, therefore, only three refrigerated spaces in these vessels. It is therefore proposed to amend the RMC class to "Lloyd's RMC (with date) for Mediterranean Services: Temp. 32°F. in No. 3 space and 15°F. in No. 6 spaces."

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I shall therefore be glad if you will draw the Owners' attention to this matter during the course of your present correspondence with them, should they decide to maintain the classification of the refrigerating installation.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

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