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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

9th May, 1951.

Classn.

Dear Sirs,

I duly received your cable of today's date asking that the method of deleting the class of the steamer "AINO NURMINEN" should be altered from a red line (indicating non-compliance with the Rules) to (...) indicating withdrawal at Owners' request.

In connexion therewith I can only point out that the Special Survey in this case became due in October 1949, and that various postponements for its completion were agreed to by the Committee, the last being in September 1950 when it was agreed the outstanding items could be postponed provided they were completed by the end of last year.

It is the Committee's practice only to withdraw the class of a ship from the Register Book by means of (...) when there is no survey overdue, or if an Owner replies to the first official notice of Special Survey to the effect that he wishes to withdraw the class.

They regard it as a breach of contract if an Owner takes advantage of a concession for postponement of Special Survey and does not signify his wish to withdraw the class until that period has lapsed, and in such cases they expunge the class with a red line indicating non-compliance with the Rules.

I trust that this explanation will clarify the point at issue.

Yours faithfully,

Messrs. John Nurminen Oy.,
Satakatu 5,
HELSINGFORS.

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