

TRANSLATION.

Dear Sirs,

I beg to inform you that following an undertaking which we have given the Bureau Veritas at the time of the loss of our s.s. "RHIN", we have decided to give to our s.s. "ATHENEE" the classification of that Register, and this compels us to renounce the class in Lloyd's Register Book, which the vessel received at the time of her construction.

It goes without saying that this decision is purely a question of principle and does not imply the slightest idea of distrust towards Lloyd's Register. We have not ceased, for our various vessels, to have the best relations with your classification Society, and we do not doubt that these relations will continue.

We beg you to be good enough to advise, without delay, the Committee, with a view to the expunging of the vessel's class being effected with the notation " at the request of the Owners".



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