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19th Jul

Dear Sirs,

Steamer "PORTARITISSA"

Classn(S)  
RNC

I acknowledge your letter of yesterday and in reply would explain that it is the Committee to retain in the Register the ship's life-time any record in regard to having been expunged, unless of course at a later date.

In the present instance the class was in 1951 when the ship was called "SOCRATES" record of the loss of class at that time is retained by the Committee as a statement of fact which may be of interest to Subscribers to the Register Book in general.

Following assignment of class by the American Bureau the appropriate entry was made in the same column in the Register Book and still stands. It should therefore be obvious to any prospective charterers that the ship is classed with a recognised Classification Society, and it is concluded you were aware of the position when purchasing the vessel in 1955, seeing that the Register Book of that period contained similar particulars.

The Committee are of opinion that the entry in the Book fully reflects the position in regard to classification, and while they do not see there is any necessity to alter their normal procedure, they have decided again carefully to review this general principle on an appropriate occasion. In the meantime the present entry will stand, but a further



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communication will be addressed to you within the next two or three months after the Meeting of the Sub-Committee concerned with such matters.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the  
Classification Committee.

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