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9th March, 1928.

Dear Mr. Costantini,

I am in receipt of your letters of the 16th and 27th ultimo with reference to the tonnage measurement for the steamer "ASTRA III".

I note that in future the measurement of tonnage will be in the hands of the R.I.

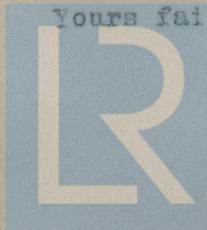
The figures now reported should really involve an increase of about $\frac{1}{2}$ " in the freeboard, but I am afraid it is too late now to amend these figures, and we must trust that under the new regime such variations will not occur.

With reference to your enquiry regarding the measurement of deep tanks and cofferdams, these should be included in the underdeck measurement, but if as you state the only means of access is by ordinary manholes, these spaces should be deducted from the gross tonnage. The R.I. Surveyors are therefore correct in their assumptions.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,

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