

Andros Venture

The facts appear to be:-
 5/4/52 Campbell wrote to
 Riddell merely confirming
 discussions re. proposals to
 clear the ships & stating
 that he would shortly be in
 New York & would then take
 the matter up with his
 principals. This letter does
not constitute a request for
drawings

7/4/52 Riddell Acknowledged
 above letter & said "I
 would be glad to have
 your assurance that due
 notice will be given to our
 surveyors by the manufacturers
 of the machinery --"
 He also requested him to
 contact Bennett when in N. York.
 & he himself advised Bennett
 of the position

18/52 It was only on this
 date that Riddell wrote
 to us saying that "at long
 last" he had obtained
 the survey request form.

The cables interchange with
 N. York indicate that by this
 time the bulk of the
 machinery forging had already
 been made

Suggest: -

Point out sequence of
events to Riddell.

Enquire if N. York Surveyors
were advised when request
form was actually signed.

and if the latter had
acted promptly at that
time by getting in touch
with engine builders what
steps he thinks they could
have taken to justify
assignment of cross.

Print out that we are
still anxious to do
anything possible and ask
him to state from his
full knowledge of all
the circumstances if he can
suggest any course of
action or can supply any
further information which
would enable us to
present the case to the
Committee in a more
favourable light

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