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12th February, 1953.

Dear Sir,

"GERRY S"

In the Antwerp Return 5b ending January, 1953, the last date of survey on the above vessel is given as December 6th, 1952. This vessel has since come under survey for damage, for which purpose she was dry docked in Rotterdam from the 8th to the 11th December. I have to ask you to explain the delay in forwarding the First Entry Report on this vessel and to send it immediately.

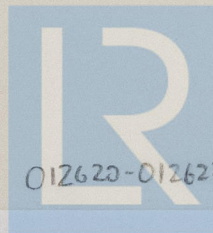
I have also to draw your attention to the circular which was issued regarding the prompt despatch of reports and would say in this connection that a letter of explanation should accompany your Return 5b when it includes any cases which are long overdue. Several such cases appear in your Return 5b for January, 1953, notably that of the "ESSO BELGIUM" and "MARITIME LEADER".

Yours faithfully,

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