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11th August, 1959.

Dear Sir,

Steamer "BELLATRIX".

We enclose herewith a photocopy of a letter received from Messrs. "Orion" Schiffahrts-Gesellschaft Reith & Co., of Hamburg, relating to their steamer "BELLATRIX", from which you will note they desire to withdraw this ship from the Society's class.

You will gather from previous correspondence relating to this ship that considerable difficulties have been experienced in completing the Special Survey, but we think it well to add that the Surveyors have been subjected to considerable resistance in the process of their work and requests for preparation for survey have likewise been opposed.

The Owners, however, endeavoured to carry out certain cleaning work themselves, but this was inadequately done, and later further cleaning, where done, disclosed the necessity for considerable repairs.

The Surveyors justifiably refute the statements made by the Owners in this case; it is quite clear that unless the survey is completed in a satisfactory manner and the necessary repairs carried out, the ship would certainly not be in a condition to retain the Society's class, and we are aware that the Owners do not desire to spend any more money on the ship so far as the requirements by this Society are concerned.

We have not replied to the accusations contained in the Firm's letter but have merely acknowledged the receipt thereof as per copy of letter enclosed, and we shall be glad to receive your instructions in the matter; also you will note the Firm's request in the final paragraph of their letter.



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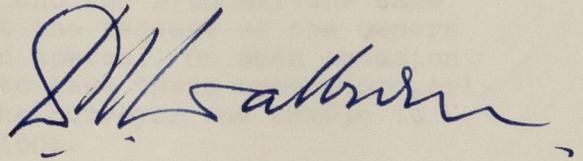
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A brief memorandum is attached indicating the present survey position, and we might add that the survey fees covered by Hamburg Report No. 6726 have been paid. For the subsequent surveys it is considered a fee of DM 400 plus DM 60 expenses would be adequate, but we shall be pleased to hear if an account for this amount should be rendered in the circumstances.

Yours faithfully,
The Surveyors.
Per:-



The Secretary,
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