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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

High Close, Wokingham, Berks.

17th September, 1942.

m.v. "LAMBROOK" Lth. Rpt. No. 20721

Dear Mr. Wood,

There are one or two points in connection with your First Entry Report on which your remarks would be helpful.

In the quadruple rivetted butts of the keel and shell plating, am I to take it that the spacing of the rivets is as indicated on the Report? The rule spacing is 4 diameters and the rule diameter of the rivets in the butts of the keel is 1".

I note that no hatch covers have been supplied to the hatchways at the 2nd deck. In the cases of vessels built for the Ministry it is our standard practice to insert a note on the Certificate to the effect that these covers are to be fitted at the first opportunity, but in a few cases of vessels built for private Owners, exception has been taken to this procedure, the Owners stating they do not intend to fit these hatch covers and that they desire a special notation to be inserted in the Register Book as follows: 'Hatch covers dispensed with in tween decks!'. So far as we are concerned it is immaterial which method is adopted but I naturally desire to conform to the Owners wishes and shall be glad if you will let me know as soon as possible whether it is the Owners' intention to fit these covers at a convenient port, probably abroad, where timber is available.

With regard to the special notations you should note, for your future guidance, that it will be necessary to insert in the Register Book a notation '5 divisional watertight bulkheads in tween decks'.

I conclude that these bulkheads are watertight and that in accordance with recent instructions there are no openings in them; alternatively, if openings have been fitted, these are closed by hinged watertight doors operated from both sides, but your remarks on this point will be appreciated.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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