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Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

28th February, 1938.

Dear Sirs,

M I return, under separate cover, two copies of the plan, forwarded with Mr. Wray's letter of the 15th instant, of arrangement and details of the topsides proposed to be fitted in Messrs. Soc. An. John Cockerill's No. 675, and with regard thereto I have to state that the scantlings and arrangements as shewn and amended will be approved, provided they be carried out to your satisfaction.

The arrangement proposed at the ends of the deck houses on "B" deck is such as to make it probable that there will be sensible concentration of stress at that part, more particularly having in view the size of the windows proposed to be fitted in the deckhouse sides. Recent experience has shewn the desirability of fitting the deckhouse of substantially increased scantlings in way of these windows, and it would be well therefore for the Surveyors to discuss this matter with the Builders along the lines indicated and amended on the sketch. The amendments suggested consist of an increase of thickness of the sides of the deckhouse on "B" deck, fitting of continuous doubling above and below the windows, and by strengthening the deckhouse sides at this part between "B" and "C" decks.

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Messrs. John Cockerill's No. 675.

I shall be glad if you will be good enough to report the result of your discussion of this matter with the Builders.

The remaining copy of the plan is being retained for reference.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

ANTWERP.



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