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## Claydon's Register of Shipping,

High Close, Wiltshire Road,

Wokingham, Berks.

24th August, 1940.

Dear Sirs,

It is understood that the Dutch steamer "STAD ALKMAAR" will shortly be coming under survey in London. This vessel was built by Messrs. Wiltons of Rotterdam under the survey of the Rotterdam Surveyors, the engines being built by Messrs. Werkspoor of Amsterdam. She managed to escape from Rotterdam before the occupation of Holland, but the First Entry Reports from the Rotterdam Surveyors have not come to hand. A draft hull First Entry Report on which the scantlings and arrangements as shown on the approved plans have been indicated, has been prepared in this office for your guidance in verifying the scantlings and arrangements as far as practicable, and the preparation of a First Entry Report.

Information regarding the capacities of the water ballast compartments may be obtainable from the capacity plans on board, and particulars of the equipment supplied may also be obtainable from the certificates on board.

As regards the machinery, reports have been received in this office of the survey during construction of the engine and boilers at Amsterdam. No reports have, however, come to hand from Rotterdam on the installation of this machinery or of the electrical equipment. Reports on this part of the survey have been drawn up in pencil on forms 4, 5A and 13 so far as possible from the approved plans, and these particulars should be substantially verified or amended when the vessel comes under survey. A subsequent report has also been received from the Rio de Janeiro Surveyor stating that the furnaces of all boilers have been damaged by oil entering the boilers. Four furnaces were fared and it is recommended all furnaces be further examined and dealt with on the completion of her present voyage. The relevant papers and reports are enclosed and I have to request that you will give the case attention on arrival.

I am, Dear Sirs,  
Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors.

LONDON

Clerk to the Classification Committee.