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Port of Montevideo
December 3rd, 1940.

Lloyd's

CERTIFICATE OF SEAWORTHINESS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that I, the undersigned surveyor,

have at the request of Edward M. Cooper, Lloyd's Agent at the Port of Montevideo, surveyed the twin-screw steamer "DUQUESA", of Liverpool, 5400 tons net register, as far as practicable whilst lying afloat and laden in this port on the above date, in consequence of reported grounding in the River Plate;

that, according to logbook, at 2-30 am on this date while in Indio Channel, visibility nil, vessel met with very heavy rain, and wind of force 10 on her starboard beam; at 2-47 am vessel took the ground on the north side of the channel, abreast No:10 buoy; efforts to refloat were made between 3-45 & 4-18 am and again at 5-40 am, and vessel came afloat and was under way again at 6-20 am.; vessel arrived alongside Berth No:3 in this port at 12-30 pm.;

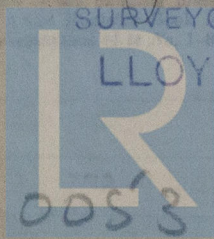
that on examination on arrival I found no indication of any structural damage due to grounding, and the soundings of tanks and bilges, taken in my presence, showed no noteworthy differences from those recorded before and after the above occurrence;

and that in view of the foregoing this vessel is in my opinion in good and seaworthy condition, so far as seen, and fit to proceed on her contemplated voyage carrying dry & perishable cargo in safety, with the recommendation that her bottom be specially examined at next drydocking for possible damage attributable to the above accident.

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SURVEYOR APPOINTED BY
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