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Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

Via Siberia

19th June, 1936.

Dear Sirs,

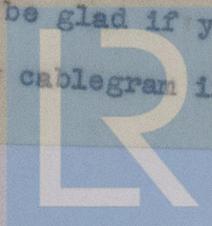
It would appear from the Shipping Papers that the steamer "MINDEROO" (No. 30019 in the Register Book) arrived at your port on the 8th May, bound for Japan.

With regard to this case, I have to acquaint you that in October last the Fremantle Surveyor reported she had sustained extensive damage to the hull and machinery through resting on a sandbank; temporary repairs were effected, and an interim certificate was issued by the Surveyor to enable the vessel to proceed to Japan in tow for breaking up purposes.

The Kobe Surveyors now state, however, that the sale of the vessel has been cancelled, although the original Owners, Messrs Bethell, Gwyn & Co., intimate that so far as they are concerned the purchase by Japanese Shipbreakers was duly completed.

It would appear, therefore, that the reported cancellation of sale refers to an attempt by the Shipbreakers to re-sell the vessel, and I shall be glad if you will kindly keep this office advised, by cablegram if necessary,

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of any further developments.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

pro Secretary.

The Surveyors,

SHANGHAI.