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Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

Enclosure.

9th July, 1920.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to Mr. Leeuwenburg's letter of the 19th ultimo, forwarding in duplicate plans of the Steamers "MOERDYK", "EBERDYK" and "KINDERDYK", I have to inform you that the plans have been very carefully looked into, and the case of the "MOERDYK" was brought before the General Committee at their meeting yesterday.

The scantlings as actually fitted in this vessel have been compared with those required by the Rules for a Shelter Deck Ship, and deficiencies have been found to exist in the double bottom, shell and topsides.

It is observed that a draught of 26'6" (extreme) is indicated on the sketch of Midship Section, and I am directed to inform you that it is considered the draught should be restricted to 26'3" (extreme), and that provided the scantlings and equipment be verified by you and are found in agreement with those shown on the plans, and the requirements of Section 48 of the Rules be complied with, and favourable reports be received upon the completion of the survey, the vessel will be eligible to be classed LOCAI "with freeboard" corresponding to a draught of 26'3" (extreme) as mentioned above, these freeboards ~~to~~ be marked on the vessels' sides, inserted in the Certificate of Classification, and recorded in the Register Book.

Full particulars of sheers, erections, hatchways, openings through vessel's sides etc. on Form 11b should be furnished for freeboard assignment.

As regards the "EBERDYK" and "KINDERDYK", I am directed to state that provided the scantlings and equipment of these vessels be verified by you, and are found to be

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in agreement with those shown on the plans, the requirements of Section 48 of the Rules be complied with, and favourable reports be received upon the completion of the survey, these vessels will be eligible to be classed LOCAI.

It is noted that plans showing arrangement of pillars and girders will be forwarded as soon as possible.

I may add that in each case First Entry Reports on Hull and Machinery will be required as mentioned in my letter of the 15th ultimo.

One set of the plans forwarded is returned herewith and one set has been retained in this Office for reference.

I am, Dear Sirs,
Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

The Surveyors,

ROTTERDAM.



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