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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Empire House, Mount Stuart Square,

Cardiff, 22nd. January, 1944.

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Dear Sir,

S.S. "MARKAY".

I would acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 21st. instant and would advise the position as follows.

On receipt of telephone advice by Mr. Potts on 13th. instant that the Committee, Owners and American Bureau accepted in principle the temporary repair I had proposed, I advised the local representatives of the Underwriters (British and American) British Corporation and Ministry of Mr. Finnigan's return to Swansea next day and his desire to have the temporary repair fully delineated for estimate of time required for repair and cost, as required for the Ministry London to make a decision whether to proceed with temporary repair or lay the vessel up for the period of the War.

At that conference on 14th. instant the following attended:-

Mr. Finnigan, the Captain and Mr. Lambert representing the Owners.

Mr. Key and Mr. Law representing British and American Underwriters.

Mr. Blackmore, Principal, and Mr. Dowson, Assistant Licencing Officers.

Mr. Woodrow, Ship and Engineer Surveyor, British Corporation, representing American Bureau (Mr. Turnbull did not attend).

Mr. Reid Ship Surveyor Lloyd's Register and Mr. Delamere, Repairers.

In the absence of other lead I undertook to prepare within three days, a full set of plans showing in detail the nature and extent of repair, incorporating as much as possible for outside fabrication, and this was accomplished with Mr. Reid's assistance. Copies as per enclosed were distributed to all parties by Tuesday 18th. and Mr. Finnigan, the local Ministry, Underwriters and British Corporation have since expressed agreement.

My estimate of weight in temporary repair has

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been confirmed as about 190 tons and enquiries are proceeding for outside fabrication and additional labour for the job for final decision by the Ministry, London.

I am, Dear Sir,  
Yours faithfully,

*L. H. Hicks*



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The Secretary,  
WOKINGHAM.

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