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On 10 December 1951 MA Wan-ch'i, a pro-Communist Macao merchant, had in his possession the specifications of two ships. These specifications, which were translated from Chinese into Russian on 10 December, were as follows:1

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	First Vessel	Second Vessel
Country of registry	Norway	England
Built	England, 1943	Germany
Tomnage	cargo: 2,000 net : 1,044.12 registered: 1,364.12	cargo: 1,650 not : 1,042 registered: 1,650
Displacement	141 feet	13 feet 4 inches
Speed		10 knots
Fuel consumption	4 tens	7 tons
Hul1	steel	steel
Length	225 feet	201.92 feet
Width	38 feet	30.90 feet
Depth	22 feet	20.06 feet
Decks	One	V
Cargo holds	Two (22' x 48')	Two
Winches and booms	Six of each	

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	First Vessel	Second Vessel
Engine	Diesel	Triple expansion
Horsepower	500	640
Pressure	180 pounds	160 pounds
Location of engine		Aft
Cylinder dimensions		17½" x 28" x 45"
Radio and electricity	Yes	Yes
Water compartment capacity		120 tons
Condition		A-1
Date of Examination		May 1950
Load line certificate		Valid to April 1953
Price	E41 000	НК \$66,000
Possible date of sale	February or March 1952 (sic)	Within three weeks at Hong Kong
Remarks	Blueprints can be seen if desired.	

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^{1.} Comment. The present ownership and the names of these vessels are not known. It is possible that the Chinese Communists plan to buy them and have had the specifications translated into Russian for the information of Soviet advisers.