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INQUIRY ON WHALING SOUGHT BY NORWAY

OSLO, Norway, Jan. 16 (Reuters)—Norway has asked for full investigation of charges against a whaling ship owned by Aristotle Onassis, according to the text of a note to Panama published here yesterday.

The note, referring to alleged breaches of international rules on preserving whales, said: "Violations of these internationally accepted provisions will seriously affect all the signatory powers to the International Whaling Convention. No company should therefore be allowed to perform such violations unpunished."

It said Panama's reply to Norway's first note last autumn was unsatisfactory.

The ship, the Olympic Challenger, sails under the Panama flag. The Norwegian Whaling Association charged last year that the ship had been hunting protected whales in reserved areas, taking whales in the closed season and catching undersized whales.

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