

FEATURE CASUALTY

Nova Cura

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9166479, Built 1999, 5,579 dwt

Date of Casualty 20 April 2016

Voyage Eregli to Aliaga, Turkey

Cargo Steel coils/pipes

Type of Casualty Grounding

Type of Claim Hull damage, LOF Salvage claim and possible General Average declaration

P&I Standard Club

In the morning of 20 April 2016 the 1999 built general cargo vessel *Nova Cura* ran aground on reefs of Lamnas, north of Lesbos Island in Greece, suffering damage to her hull on the starboard side and water ingress in her forward ballast tanks. The weather at the time was fine with no visibility issues.

The vessel was on a voyage from Eregli to Aliaga in Turkey loaded with a cargo of steel coils/pipes when the grounding occurred. The grounding occurred at 10am local time

in a position in lat 39 25.12N, long 26 14.83E off the Western coast of Turkey near Ayvacik, a district of Çanakkale. Vessels in the area immediately went to provide assistance including a patrol boat from Amesa, an offshore supply vessel, a lifeboat, a vessel of Frontex and a NATO patrol boat. The crew took steps to control the water ingress using the vessel's pumps. Safety vessel *Aegis I* was also dispatched to the grounding location.

We understand that the vessel's owners have contracted Smit Salvage and the local greek salvors Megalohori to provide assistance to the vessel under the terms of a Lloyd's Open Form of Salvage Agreement. Temporary repairs are being carried out to the vessel's hull and salvors have removed the oil from the vessel. Reports advise that the crew were evacuated from the vessel yesterday following a deterioration in the weather. The five strong salvage team remained on board. Some oil contamination near the vessel was also reported.



NEW CASUALTIES

Zhe Hai 168

Bulk carrier, IMO 9492373, Built 2011, 57,033 dwt

Date of Casualty 20 April 2016

Voyage Laem Chabang, Thailand to Berong, Philippines

Cargo Nickel ore

Type of Casualty Ran aground off Palawan Island in the Philippines. Malayan Towage & Salvage are assisting. On 26 April the *Zhe Hai 168*, a sister ship, arrived at the grounding site and is expected to act as a lightering vessel.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage, salvage claim and/or General Average declaration

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Fomento Pausha

Barge, 750 dwt

Date of Casualty 20 April 2016

Type of Casualty Sank whilst at Redi port anchorage, Goa, India.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

Refet Unal

Ferry, IMO 8891675, Built 1972, 983 dwt

Date of Casualty 20 April 2016

Type of Casualty Suffered an engine failure and allided with the pier at Lake Van ferry terminal. Both the vessel and pier suffered damaged.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

Azad

Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 20 April 2016

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress off Fort-de-France in the Dominica channel. The two crew abandoned

the vessel into liferafts and were later airlifted to safety.

Type of Claim Total loss claim



Sea Horizon

Product tanker, IMO 9258026, Built 2003, 47,149n dwt

Date of Casualty 20 April 2016

Voyage Nederland Terminal, USA to Antwerp, Belgium

Cargo 38,000 m³ of gasoline

Type of Casualty Ran aground on the Western Scheldt near Borssele, Netherlands following a blackout. The vessel was refloated with the assistance of tugs from Multtraship and Kotug Smit ad then anchored near Flushing.

Type of Claim Possible salvage type claim and/or General Average declaration

P&I London Club

Shao Dong Ji 958

Coastal freighter, No other details

Date of Casualty 21 April 2016

Voyage Unknown

Cargo 1,200 m³ of coal

Type of Casualty Suffered a fire in her accommodation whilst near Suzhou. The crew abandoned the vessel. Fire-fighters brought the fire under control.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

Jan Van Gent

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9456721, Built 2010, 12,007 dwt

Date of Casualty 21 April 2016

Voyage Colborne, Canada to Glasgow, UK

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered propulsion problems due to issues with the main engine fresh water cooling system whilst on Lake Ontario.

Type of Claim Possible General Average declaration

P&I Standard Club

Hasfjord

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 7383542, Built 1975, 51 dwt

Date of Casualty 21 April 2016

Type of Casualty Ran aground whilst trying to dock at Hammerfest, Norway. The ferry was able to refloated by her own means.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage



Green Klipper

Reefer, IMO 9001904, Built 1991, 5,416 dwt

Date of Casualty 22 April 2016

Type of Casualty Caught fire whilst undergoing an overhaul in dry-dock in Szczecin, Poland.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

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Iron Destiny

Bulk ore carrier, IMO 8202018, Built 1982, 89,846 dwt

Date of Casualty 23 April 2016

Type of Casualty Allided with a pier in the port of Yuzhnyi whilst anchored awaiting orders/in lay up.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

P&I Standard Club

Palflot 2

Tanker, IMO 8952247, Built 1982, 2,858 dwt

Date of Casualty 23 April 2016

Voyage Dubandi, Azerbaijan to Alaja, Turkmenistan

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Suffered a fire in the superstructure whilst in the Caspian Sea. One crew member died in the incident. The crew abandoned the vessel and were rescued by another commercial vessel. Azerbaijan Salvage and the Coast Guard are to tow the tanker to Baku.

Type of Claim Fire damage and salvage claim

City of Rome

Vehicle carrier, IMO 9174763, Built 1999, 2,794 dwt

Date of Casualty 23 April 2016

Voyage Amsterdam to Rotterdam, Netherlands

Cargo Vehicles

Type of Casualty Allision with the Northern lock in IJmuiden. Both the

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vessel and lock gate suffered damage.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim
P&I Japan Shipowners



Strike Zone II ▣

Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 23 April 2016

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress 17 miles off South Pass near Venice, Louisiana, USA. The crew were rescued and the Coast Guard towed the vessel to safety.

Type of Claim Possible damage and salvage claim

Alyaska

Reefer, IMO 8326072, Built 1983, 1,190 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 April 2016

Voyage Rostov-on-Don, Russia to Hereke, Turkey

Cargo Timber

Type of Casualty Ran aground in Taganrog Bay in the Azov sea following a blackout. Refloated with tug assistance.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim

Christina Maiken - AS 238

Fishing vessel, Built 1977, 113 gt

Date of Casualty 24 April 2016

Type of Casualty Sank 22 nm west of

Orust, Sweden. There was some loss of bunkers.

Type of Claim Total loss and possible pollution claims

Stortemelk ▣

Sailing ship, IMO 5018572, Built 1961, 109 gt

Date of Casualty 24 April 2016

Type of Casualty Ran aground on the Glameier Stack near Ottendoron on the Elbe. The vessel refloated with tug assistance and proceeded to Brunsbüttel.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage



Buse Trio ▣

General cargo vessel, IMO 8521414, Built 1986, 2,350 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 April 2016

Voyage Dakar, Senegal to Cardiff, UK

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Disabled following engine failure in the Bay of Biscay 70 miles north of La Coruna. Supply vessel *Ria de Vigo* towed the vessel to La Coruna.

Type of Claim Possible General Average declaration

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AAL Melbourne

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9498456, Built 2013, 32,128 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 April 2016

Voyage to Busan, Korea

Cargo 19,752 m/t of general cargo

Type of Casualty Allided with a berth whilst arriving in Busan.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

P&I Gard

Kapuas

Product tanker, IMO 9672624, Built 2013, 3,540 dwt

Date of Casualty 25 April 2016

Voyage Pontiak to Merak, Indonesia

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered an explosion and fire. One crew member was critically injured.

Type of Claim Damage and crew claims

P&I North of England

Kentucky Woman ▣


Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 26 April 2016

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress 30 miles off Año Nuevo State Park. The crew were airlifted from the yacht by a Coast Guard helicopter.

Type of Claim Total loss claim



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Panagia Tinou

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 7205063, Built 1972, 1,215 dwt

Date of Casualty 26 April 2016

Type of Casualty Listed whilst moored in Piraeus. The vessel has been abandoned by its owners and was awaiting an auction order.

Type of Claim Salvage type claim



Steren Mor ▣

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 26 April 2016

Type of Casualty Abandoned by her crew off Ushant after suffering water ingress.

Type of Claim Possible total loss or salvage claim

Suxuzhouhuo 6160

Date of Casualty 26 April 2016

Voyage Jiangdu to Hubei Huangshi, China

Cargo 2,300 m/t of coal

Type of Casualty Fire in the superstructure whilst on Yangtze river near Zhenjiang

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP



alter course having experienced a cargo shift three months before the tragedy. They have recommended the MCA introduce a compulsory reporting system for cargo vessels transiting the Pentland Firth and consider adopting a new local warning system for vessels.

Flinterstar ▣ - editions 132, 133, 134, 135, 139, 140 & 152 - owners of the vessel have signed a wreck removal contract with four Belgian companies: Herbosch-Kiere NV, Jan De Nul NV, Dredging International NV and Scaldis Salvage & Marine Contractors NV. The first phase of the operation is expected to commence in the next few weeks and is to be completed by the end of October. Salvors will concentrate on removing the cargo first and, thereafter, the two hull sections will be lifted from the seabed onto a barge. The Scaldis heavy lift vessel *Rambiz* will be used.

Modern Express ▣ - editions - 148, 149, 150, 152 & 153 - unloading operations commenced in Bilbao on 19 April 2016. The discharge operation is expected to take between one and two weeks.

Saint Christophe 1 - editions 155 & 158 - has been certified as safe to leave Dartmouth Harbour. The vessel is expected to be sold.

