

### FEATURE CASUALTY

## Caribbean Fantasy

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 8814263, Built 1989, 6,737 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 17 August 2016

**Voyage** Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic to San Juan, Puerto Rico

**Cargo** 70 vehicles and 80 cargo containers

**Type of Casualty** Fire

**Type of Claim** Fire damage and passenger claims

**P&I** Steamship

In the early hours of 17 August 2016, the cruise vessel *Caribbean Fantasy* notified the United States Coast Guard that a fire had started in the engine room and that passengers had been mustered to prepare for an evacuation.

The 1989 built cruise ship was 2 nm north of San Juan Harbour, Puerto Rico when a fire erupted in the engine room before spreading to other compartments on board. One of the mechanics is reported to have advised authorities that a fuel hose ruptured and caught fire in the engine control room. Despite efforts to extinguish the fire the crew were unsuccessful and it began to spread to other parts of the vessel. The Coast Guard dispatched rescue teams to evacuate the distressed passengers. They used inflatable

rescue slides to disembark the burning ferry and board the vessel's life rafts. Several dozen passengers were later treated for dehydration and the effects of smoke with two suffering fractured ankles presumably sustained during the evacuation. A total of 511 passengers and crew were evacuated.

Following the evacuation, some three hours after the fire started, the unmanned *Caribbean Fantasy* drifted onto a rocky shallow just off Punta Salinas whilst the fire continued to rage. A 1,000 yard safety zone was established around the vessel. The *Caribbean Fantasy* floated free in the evening of 19 August and in the early hours of 20 August tugboats were able to connect lines to the vessel. She was held in a position four miles north of Punta Salinas whilst divers carried out an inspection of the vessel's hull to ascertain the extent of any grounding damage and fire-fighters assessed the state of the fire. No significant hull damage was found and fire-fighters reported that there was only one source of fire remaining. The team accessed the majority of the vessel but were not able to clear the engine room, the generator room or the steering gear. Later in the day salvors were given permission to bring smouldering *Caribbean Fantasy* into San Juan harbour. She was towed to Pier 15 and the Puerto Rico Fire Department finally extinguished the fire using 3,000 gallons of seawater in the evening of 20 August. Booms have been placed around the vessel and authorities are now working on a plan to dispose of the waste and contaminated water on board.

A joint casualty investigation is being conducted by the US Coast Guard, the National Transportation Safety Board and the vessel's flag state of Panama.



### NEW CASUALTIES

#### Ngoc Son

General cargo vessel, IMO 9353474, Built 2006, 6,549 dwt

**Date of Casualty** August 2016, exact date unknown

**Voyage** Male, Maldives to unknown destination

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground close to Fuvamullah Island, Maldives.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage and salvage claim



#### Omskiy 141

General cargo vessel, IMO 8873764, Built 1989, 3,070 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 16 August 2016 - Late Notification

**Voyage** St. Petersburg to Cherepovets, Russia

**Cargo** 3,000 m/t of steel

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on the river Svir and suffered a forward breach and resulting water ingress.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage and possible salvage claim and/or General Average declaration

**P&I** Standard Club

#### Insula Oya II

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 8956827, Built 1982, 495 gt

**Date of Casualty** 17 August 2016

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground at Vendée in the channel of Fromentine, France.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage claim

**P&I** Shipowners Club

#### Spanaco Simplicity

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9472036, Built 2009, 4,188 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 17 August 2016

**Voyage** Riga, Latvia to Bermeo, Spain

**Cargo** Plywood

**Type of Casualty** A shore crane fell onto the vessel during loading operations in the port of Bermeo, Spain

**Type of Claim** Damage claim

**P&I** Gard

#### Vectis Osprey

General cargo vessel, IMO 9594315, Built 2012, 8,685 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 17 August 2016

**Voyage** Port Harcourt, Nigeria to Douala, Cameroon

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Attacked by pirates off Bonny, Nigeria, Gulf of Guinea. The Nigerian Navy assisted.

**Type of Claim** Possible damage claim

**P&I** North of England

#### Cerencan

General cargo vessel, IMO 7644130, Built 1977, 3,348 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 18 August 2016

**Voyage** Azov, Russia to Ambarli, Turkey

**Cargo** 3,047 m/t of peas

**Type of Casualty** Experienced a steering fault and ran aground at Yenikoy Point in the Bosphorus Strait. Coastal Safety tugs attended and refloated the vessel.

**Type of Claim** Salvage type claim and/or General Average declaration



#### Weichselstern

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9183829, Built 1999, 21,852 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 18 August 2016

**Voyage** Klaipeda, Lithuania to Wilhelmshaven, Germany

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Explosion in the engine room whilst at New Weser Roads. Two crew members were seriously injured.

**Type of Claim** Damage and crew claims

**P&I** North of England



#### USS Louisiana/Eagleview

*USS Louisiana* - Ballistic-missile submarine, Built 1996, 16,764 m/t displacement

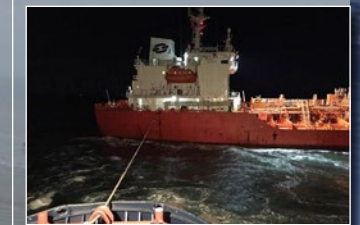
*Eagleview* - Offshore support vessel, IMO 9472361, Built 2009, 2,867 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 18 August 2016

**Type of Casualty** Collided in Strait of Juan de Fuca.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim

**P&I** n/a / Steamship Mutual



#### Bow Singapore

Chemical tanker, IMO 9288590, Built 20004, 9,888 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 19 August 2016

**Voyage** Hobart to Geelong, Australia

**Cargo** 6,219 m/t of sulphuric acid

**Type of Casualty** Grounded in Port Phillip Bay, Australia near Rosebud after steering failure. The vessel was refloated with tug assistance.

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**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage, salvage claim and/or General Average declaration  
**P&I** Gard

### Fedor Varaksin

General cargo vessel, IMO 7625691, Built 1977, 14,200 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 19 August 2016  
**Voyage** At Arkhangelsk, Russia  
**Cargo** In ballast  
**Type of Casualty** Allided with a berth in Arkhangelsk port whilst shifting berth.  
**Type of Claim** Allision damage claim



### Jens Albrecht

Ferry, IMO 5244156, Built 1960, 148 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 19 August 2016  
**Type of Casualty** Ran aground off the port of Horumersiel, Germany.  
**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage claim



### King Emerald/SE Pacifica

*King Emerald* - Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9267027, Built 2004, 38,850 dwt  
*SE Pacifica* - General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9431460, Built 2009, 12,649 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 20 August 2016  
**Voyage** Purfleet, UK to Antwerp, Belgium / Goose Bay, Canada to Flushing, Netherlands  
**Cargo** No details  
**Type of Casualty** The vessels were in collision at the Nieuwpoort anchorage in Belgium. The *SE Pacifica* suffered severe stern damage and was towed to

Vissingen for repairs.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim  
**P&I** Steamship Mutual / Skuld



### Noord Nederland

Ferry, IMO 9269611, Built 2003, 204 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 20 August 2016  
**Type of Casualty** Suffered a fire whilst off the port of Terschelling, Netherlands. The vessel was escorted into West Terschelling by the Coast Guard and fire crews attended.  
**Type of Claim** Fire damage claim

### Basilia

Crude oil tanker, IMO 9012305, 1992, 106,852 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 21 August 2016  
**Voyage** Awaiting orders off Limassol.  
**Cargo** In ballast  
**Type of Casualty** Suffered an explosion in the engine room off Limassol, Cyprus. A crew member suffered severe burns and was airlifted from the vessel.  
**Type of Claim** Damage and crew claims  
**P&I** London Club



### Alfa

General Cargo with container capacity, IMO 7610050, Built 1977, 4,156 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 21 August 2016  
**Voyage** Nakhodka, Russia to Taicang, China  
**Cargo** Timber  
**Type of Casualty** Developed a 45° list 30 miles off Yeosu, Korea following water ingress into No. 2 cargo hold. The crew members abandoned the vessel which

was left drifting. There are unconfirmed reports that the vessel then ran aground.  
**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim or total loss

### John B Aird/Spartan

*John B Aird* - Bulk carrier, IMO 8002432, Built 1983, 30,958 dwt  
*Spartan* - Tug, IMO 7047461, Built 1969, 190 gt  
**Date of Casualty** 20 August 2016  
**Voyage** Colborne to Quebec, Canada / n/a  
**Cargo** No details  
**Type of Casualty** The bulk carrier struck the tug on Lake St. Clair.  
**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim  
**P&I** North of England / No details



### Amicitia

Clipper, Built 1889  
**Date of Casualty** 21 August 2016  
**Type of Casualty** A large section of the mast and main sail crashed onto the deck striking and killing three passengers at the port of Harlingen.  
**Type of Claim** Injury and loss of life claims



### Sitka

General cargo vessel, IMO 5330424, Built 1963, 400 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 21 August 2016  
**Voyage** Trading between Nuku'alofa, Ha'afeva, Pangai and Neiafu, Fiji.  
**Cargo** General cargo  
**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on reefs of Kadavu Island, Fiji after suffering

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## LOF NEWS

### Silverstar

Bulk carrier, IMO 9194880, Built 1999, 31,762 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 12 August 2016  
 -Late Notification  
**Voyage** Bangladesh to Singapore  
**Cargo** In ballast  
**Type of Casualty** Immobilised in the Malacca Strait. The vessel was towed to Singapore under an LOF salvage contract by salvors Tsavlivris.  
**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** North of England

mechanical failure.  
**Type of Claim** Hull damage and salvage claim

### Jin De 5 Flag/Uni-Prudent/Thorco Lily

*Jin De 5 Flag* - Bulk carrier, IMO 9583457, Built 2010, 26,983 dwt  
*Uni-Prudent* - Fully cellular containership, IMO 9202194, Built 2000, 19,309 dwt  
*Thorco Lily* - General cargo vessel, IMO9660152, Built 2013, 16,956 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 21 August 2016  
**Voyage** to Chittagong, Bangladesh / Colombo, Sri Lanka to Chittagong / Awaiting orders  
**Cargo** No details / General containerised cargo / In ballast  
**Type of Casualty** The *Jin De 5* was struck by the *Uni Prudent* which was anchoring at Chittagong's outer anchorage. The *Jin De 5* then contacted the *Thorco Lily* which was anchored awaiting orders.  
**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim  
**P&I** West of England / Gard / Japan Shipowners

### 606 Hae Chang

Fishing vessel, IMO 6715504, Built 1967, 302 gt  
**Date of Casualty** 22 August 2016  
**Type of Casualty** Suffered a fire on board whilst east of Simushir Island, Kuril Archipelago in the North Pacific. The 34 crew abandoned the vessel and were

## CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP

**Sea Worker** - editions 149, 150, 151 & 152- the operation to remove the platform by Dutch company DISA is expected to begin shortly. The tug *Offshore Beaver* arrived on site on 22 August with a dive team and salvage equipment on board. The rig, which has been declared as a total loss, is to be cut into smaller parts which will be raised separately.

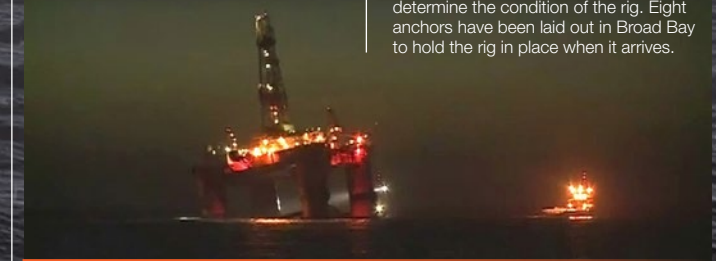
**Vier Harmoni** - edition 177 - the tanker has been located off Batam and was not hijacked.

**Sirena** - edition 177 - Resolve Marine have been contracted to save the vessel which remains aground near Cocoluch Bay at the northern most tip of St. Eustatius. Fuel has been removed and a crane barge has arrived on site to discharge the cargo on board.



**Tolunay** - edition 177 - it is confirmed that three Turkish Coast Guard personnel were killed last Wednesday when the bulk carrier collided with their vessel.

**Transocean Winner** - editions 176 & 177 - the rig was refloated on 22 August 2016 by the tugs *Union Bear* and *Union Princess* and is now under tow to Broad Bay which is located on the east coast of Lewis, some 54 miles from the grounding site, where she will undergo surveys to determine the condition of the rig. Eight anchors have been laid out in Broad Bay to hold the rig in place when it arrives.



rescued by other fishing vessels. The vessel is drifting.  
**Type of Claim** Fire damage claim

### CMA CGM Vasco de Gama

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9706889, Built 2015, 184,700 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 22 August 2016  
**Voyage** Algeciras, Spain to Southampton, UK  
**Cargo** General containerised cargo  
**Type of Casualty** Grounded on approach



to Southampton, UK. The vessel was refloated by six tugs and proceeded to Southampton for cargo discharge and inspection.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage  
**P&I** Swedish Club

### Guler/Piri Reis

*Guler* - Bulk carrier, IMO 7924334, Built 1980, 2,421 dwt  
*Piri Reis* - Bulk carrier, IMO 9146998, Built 1997, 28,515 dwt  
**Date of Casualty** 23 August 2016  
**Voyage** Istanbul, Turkey to Durres, Albania / Nikolayev, Ukraine to Libya  
**Cargo** In ballast / No details  
**Type of Casualty** Collided whilst transiting the Dardanelles. Both vessel were taken to the Erenkoy anchorage.  
**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim  
**P&I** No details / Lodestar Marine