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Casualty Newsletter 22

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FEATURE CASUALTY

Kiani Satu

General cargo vessel, Built 1997,
19,796 dwt

Date of Casualty 8 August 2013

Voyage Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam to Tema, Ghana

Cargo Rice

Type of Casualty Grounding Buffels Bay, near Knysna, South Africa

Type of Claim Salvage claim and/or wreck removal, cargo loss

The *Kiani Satu* is reported to have suffered engine problems whilst heading from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam to Tema, Ghana in West Africa loaded with a cargo of rice. The Master issued a distress call at around 0300 hours local time on 8 August 2013 when she was in a position some 130 nm west of Port Elizabeth and 220 nm east of Cape Town. The vessel's owners contracted the salvage tug *Fairmont Glacier* to proceed to the assistance of the vessel but the tug was not able to reach the vessel in time to prevent her closing the coast. Although the Master deployed the vessel's anchors to halt the drift of the vessel, the prevailing onshore winds and 5m swell pushed her onto the shore. The National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI) craft were unable to reach the casualty to evacuate the crew due to the sea swell and they were subsequently rescued by an NSRI helicopter.

Salvage assistance is being provided by professional salvors Smit Salvage BV although this is in conjunction with the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA). SAMSA were responsible for initially instructing the salvage tug, *Smit Amandla*, to proceed to from her base to the grounding site and she arrived in position during 9 August. The vessel, which is reported to be carrying 330 m/t of heavy fuel oil has since developed a number of cracks in her hull and as a consequence some 3 m/t of fuel is reported to have leaked into the sea. Whilst some of the oil has been found up on nearby beaches, threatening the nearby Goukamma Nature Reserve, thankfully most of the oil has moved away from the coast. We understand the salvage teams have sought to pump the remaining fuel currently located in bunker tanks lower down in the vessel to alternative tanks higher up and which are not likely to be affected during the salvage operation.

The salvors have made various refloating attempts during each high tide but all have so far proved unsuccessful albeit that the vessel's heading has changed so that she is now sitting at 45° to the shore rather than beam on, which will reduce the effects from wave action on the hull. Further refloating attempts will be made during periods of high water, once the weather improves. In the meantime local reports suggest there is water ingress into the vessel's cargo holds and there will be damage to the rice cargo on board.



NEW CASUALTIES

Frontier Voyager/ Hai Hong Da

Frontier Voyager – Bulk carrier, Built 2012, 180,737 dwt

Hai Hong Da – General cargo vessel, no other details

Date of Casualty 9 August 2013

Voyage Port Walcott, Australia to Shanghai, China / Unknown

Cargo Unknown / 13,500 m/t iron ore

Type of Casualty Collision off Yangtze River Estuary leading to sinking of Hai Hong Da and loss of three crew members.

Type of Claim Collision damage and loss of life claim

Queen Sapphire

Car carrier, Built 2009, 18,638 dwt

Date of Casualty 8 August 2013

Voyage Wallhamn, Sweden to Antwerp, Belgium and Southampton, England

Cargo Cars

Type of Casualty Allision with the quay off the Kaiser Lock, Bremerhaven. Vessel damaged above the waterline and caused damage to the quay.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim, hull damage

Falado von Rhodos

Tall ship, Built 1968

Date of Casualty 8 August 2013

Voyage Unknown

Cargo n/a

Type of Casualty Water ingress in rough weather off Reykjanes peninsula, Iceland and subsequent sinking. All passengers and crew were safely evacuated.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

Wilhelm E

Fully cellular containership, Built 1995, 20,406 dwt

Date of Casualty 9 August 2013

Voyage Singapore to Penang, Malaysia and Chennai, India

Cargo General cargo

Type of Casualty Fire in engine room.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim, possible General Average declaration



Blue Sirius

Tall ship, Built 1907

Date of Casualty 9 August 2013

Voyage Unknown

Cargo n/a

Type of Casualty Grounding and subsequent water ingress off Aegna Island, Estonia. Having refloated under the influence of the tides the schooner was drifting half-submerged, with a heavy starboard list.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim, hull damage or total loss

Zhejiang (Xing Xuo) 02111

Fishing vessel, no other details

Date of Casualty 9 August 2013

Voyage n/a

Cargo Fish

Type of Casualty Grounding in Yangtze river estuary leading to water ingress.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim and hull damage

Stavangerfjord

Passenger ro-ro, Built 2007, 4325 gt

Date of Casualty 9 August 2013

Voyage Mortavika to Arsvagen, Norway

Cargo n/a

Type of Casualty Engine-room fire

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

Carmen Silva

Bulk carrier, Built 1992, 25,739 dwt

Date of Casualty 9 August 2013

Voyage Singapore to Ashdod, Israel

Cargo Steel and general cargo

Type of Casualty Engine breakdown.

The vessel's owners have contracted with professional salvors Tsaviris Salvage to provide towage assistance to the vessel under a Lloyd's Open Form Salvage contract. The vessel is presently under tow of the tug *Unicorn* and is proceeding to Fujairah with an eta of 18 August 2013.

Type of Claim Salvage claim and possible General Average declaration



Fate Hunter

Fishing vessel, Built 1979, 104 gt

Date of Casualty 11 August 2013

Voyage n/a

Cargo 75 m/t of fish

Type of Casualty Grounding near Shoup Bay, 4 nm west of Valdez, Alaska

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim, hull damage and pollution claims

Spiridon

General cargo vessel, Built 1977, 5,313 dwt

Date of Casualty 12 August 2013

Voyage Russia to Turkey

Cargo 4,800 m/t of wheat

Type of Casualty Grounding Azov-Don Ship Canal in Taganrog Bay. Refloated under her own power and headed to Rostov for inspection

and repairs.

Type of Claim Possible General average declaration in respect of any refloating damage, hull damage claim



INS Sindhurakshak

Submarine, Built 1995

Date of Casualty 14 August 2013

Voyage n/a

Cargo n/a

Type of Casualty Explosion and fire whilst docked in Mumbai. Carrying missiles and torpedoes.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim and loss of life

Urizun 21/ Taishu

Urizun 21 – Vehicle carrier, Built 2000, 3,294 dwt

Taishu – Ferry, no other details

Date of Casualty 13 August 2013

Voyage Kagoshima to Hakata, Japan / n/a

Cargo Cars / n/a

Type of Casualty Collision near Hakata port, Japan.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

Trans Summer

Bulk carrier, Built 2012, 57,000 dwt

Date of Casualty 14 August 2013

Voyage Indonesia to China

Cargo Nickel

Type of Casualty Sinking off Hong Kong in poor weather.

CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP

Gladys – edition 21 – is reported to be at anchor off Kyaukpkyu, Myanmar. Marine Claims Office in Singapore are appointed as General Average Adjusters.