

### FEATURE CASUALTY

## San Felipe/Al Riffa

*San Felipe* - Fully cellular containership, IMO 9698628, Built 2014, 95,000 dwt

*Al Riffa* - Fully cellular containership, IMO 9525912, Built 2012, 145,534 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 28 October 2014

**Voyage** Port Klang, Malaysia to Zoushan, China / Northern Europe to Port Klang

**Cargo** General containerised cargo

**Type of Casualty** Collision in Port Klang

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

**P&I** Gard / North of England

During the evening of 28 October 2014, whilst the fully cellular containership *San Felipe* was approaching her berth in Port Klang, she collided with the fully cellular containership *Al Riffa* which was moored and carrying out cargo operations. The collision caused a fire to erupt in the forward container stacks of both vessels and emergency fire crews were immediately dispatched to provide fire-fighting assistance to both vessels.

Within an hour of the impact, the fire on board the *Al Riffa* had been brought under control but, despite the efforts of the fire-fighters from the Port Klang, Kota Raja and Andalas fire stations, the fire on the *San Felipe* is reported to have 'raged out of control' forcing the authorities to tow the vessel to a position 1km from the Westport to prevent the possibility of the fire from spreading to other areas of the wharf. Nine local tugs were also dispatched to assist and provide fire-fighting and cooling operations using seawater. The latest news reports are that the fire has yet to be fully extinguished but a statement from the vessel's managers suggests the fire may now be under control. Movement of vessels within the area at Pintu Gedung were initially restricted but the South Channel has since been declared as fully operational. Investigations into the collision are underway.

With the possibility of sacrifice damage to cargo resulting from the fire-fighting efforts, there is a real possibility that this incident will lead to a declaration of General Average. The damage to the *Al Riffa* may not be sufficient to justify a GA declaration but, with initial reports suggesting there was a significant fire on board the *San Felipe*, it is perhaps more likely than not that the owners of the *San Felipe* will declare General Average. We understand that Smit Singapore may have been engaged to assist the *San Felipe*.



### NEW CASUALTIES



#### New Katerina ▣

Bulk carrier, IMO 9138953, Built 1997, 170,082 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 23 October 2014

**Voyage** Amsterdam, Netherlands to Puerto Bolivar, Colombia

**Cargo** Coal

**Type of Casualty** Fire during discharge operations at Amsterdam

**Type of Claim** Fire damage claims



#### Ivan Ryabov ▣

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 7942348, Built 1979, 6,070 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 23 October 2014

**Voyage** Archangel to Pevek, Russia

**Cargo** 1,483 m<sup>3</sup> of general cargo

**Type of Casualty** Whilst shifting anchorages in the Zapadnaya Bay, Chukotka Sea, the vessel struck a submerged object and was holed in an oil tank under the main engine. The vessel anchored but took on a 20° list and suffered main engine failure following the water ingress. Rescue vessel Lazurit was dispatched and has since towed the vessel to Pevek.

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

### Late Notifications

#### Srikandi 515

Tanker, IMO 9710828, Built 2013, 3,200 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 9 October 2014

**Brief Details** Captured by pirates whilst heading from Borneo to Gresik, East Java with a cargo of 3,100 m<sup>3</sup> of palm oil. The crew were released into a life-raft. The search for the tanker continues.

#### En Avant 20/ Stema Mibau II

*En Avant 20* - Tug, IMO 9408645, Built 2006, 254 dwt

*Stema Mibau II* - Barge, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 21 October 2014

**Brief Details** Loss of tow line in bad weather off of Den Helder. The barge, loaded with 15,000 m<sup>3</sup> of stone, narrowly missed platforms in the North Sea. The Dutch Coastguard vessel *Amaranth Levoli* connected a line to the barge with assistance from a Coastguard helicopter and towed it to IJmuiden.

#### Wen Feng 8

General cargo vessel, No IMO, Built 2004, 6,058 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 21 October 2014

**Brief Details** Grounding on a breakwater near Dalian during high winds damaging the vessel's diesel and ballast tanks.

#### Ocean Star

Bulk carrier, IMO 9107033, Built 1995, 22,056 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 22 October 2014

**Brief Details** Grounding off Mongla, Bangladesh. Part of the 19,200 m<sup>3</sup> of bagged urea cargo, being shipped from Jubail, Saudi Arabia, was lightered and the vessel was refloated.

#### Trans Spring

Bulk carrier, IMO 9615482, Built 2012, 56,854 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 22 October 2014

**Type of Casualty** Grounding near Pasadena, whilst proceeding from Houston to Galveston carrying cement, causing water ingress into the cargo holds.

#### Evgenia Z

General cargo vessel, IMO 8955653, Built 1970, 4,903 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 23 October 2014

**Voyage** Rostov, Russia to Ereğli, Turkey

**Cargo** Unknown

**Type of Casualty** Draggled at anchor and grounded off Rostov-on-Don roads.

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

#### VF Tanker-19/ Volgoneft 128

*VF Tanker-19* - Product tanker, IMO 9645085, Built 2013, 7,016 dwt

*Volgoneft 128* - Product tanker, IMO 8230728, Built 1976, 4,193 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 24 October 2014

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

**Cargo** 5,002 m<sup>3</sup> of oil / In ballast

**Type of Casualty** Collision causing damage to both vessels.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim

**P&I** No details



#### Alios ▣

Ro-ro, IMO 7902635, Built 1980, 11,400 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 25 October 2014

**Type of Casualty** The ro-ro broke

free from her mooring in the port of Lavrio during storms and crashed into a floating platform a two yachts causing them to sink.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim

**P&I** The American Club

#### W.D. Mersey

Suction hopper dredger, IMO 8123195, Built 1983, 2,778 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 25 October 2014

**Type of Casualty** Struck and underwater obstruction whilst carrying out dragging operations in the Cromarty Firth. The crew evacuated and the vessel, which suffered water ingress, was later escorted to Nigg for inspection and repairs.

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**Type of Claim** Hull damage claim

### Jia Cheng 399

General cargo vessel, No IMO, Built 1990,  
No other details

**Date of Casualty** 25 October 2014

**Voyage** Yingkou for Yantai, China

**Cargo** Unknown

**Type of Casualty** Grounding near Changxing Island, off Dalian during bad weather. Rescue vessels were dispatched and the crew abandoned the vessel after it developed a list to port.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim

### Amadeus ▽

River cruise ship, Built 1997, 1,566 gt

**Date of Casualty** 25 October 2014

**Type of Casualty** Grounding on the Danube leading to hull damage and water ingress. The leak was patched and the vessel headed to Linz for repairs.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage claim

### Auto Baltic ▽

Vehicle carrier, IMO 9121998, Built 1996,  
7,629 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 26 October 2014

**Voyage** St. Petersburg, Russia to Bremerhaven, Germany

**Cargo** Vehicles

**Type of Casualty** Allision with the outer breakwater whilst entering the port of Bremerhaven causing damage to both the ship and the quay.

**Type of Claim** Allision damage claim

### Safe Bristolia

Drill platform, IMO 8755077, Built 1983,  
13,876 gt

**Date of Casualty** 26 October 2014

**Type of Casualty** The platform got into difficulties whilst being towed from the North Sea to Norway. The tow line parted and the platform began to close the coast. Non-essential personnel were evacuated and the vessel dropped its anchor to slow the rate of drift whilst the tow line was reconnected.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim

### Volgo-Balt 205

General cargo vessel, IMO 8230338, Built 1977, 3,587 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 26 October 2014

**Voyage** Annenskiy to Priozersk, Russia

**Cargo** 2,702 m/t of pulpwood

**Type of Casualty** Grounding whilst approaching the port of Priozersk, on the Volgo-Balt Canal

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



### Saga Falcon ▽

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9613848, Built 2012,  
55,596 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 26 October 2014

**Voyage** Setubal, Portugal to Nueva Palmira, Uruguay

**Cargo** 30,000 m/t of palletised cement bags

**Type of Casualty** Grounding on the river Rio de la Plata 5 nm miles south of Conchillas. The vessel sustained a hull breach with ensuring water ingress and was obstructing navigation. The vessel has since been refloated. For video of the vessel aground click [here](#).

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

### Ramdana Abane ▽

LNG carrier, IMO 7411961, Built 1981,  
83,296 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 27 October 2014

**Voyage** Arzew, Algeria to Ceyhan Botas, Turkey

**Cargo** 55,353 m/t LNG

**Type of Casualty** Engine failure whilst

transiting the Dardanelles. Coastal safety tugs are reported to have attended to prevent any grounding and the vessel effected emergency anchoring. She was later assisted by Coastal Safety tugs to a safe anchorage. She had a pilot on board at the time and had two escorts tugs.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim and fine

### Frank W

General cargo with container capacity, IMO 9374674, Built 2006, 3,568 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 27 October 2014

**Voyage** Kunda, Estonia to La Pallice, France

**Cargo** Unknown

**Type of Casualty** Struck the embankment of the Kiel Canal and grounded. The tug Wolf proceeded from Brunsbüttel and assisted the vessel with the refloating operation before escorting her to Brunsbüttel for inspection.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage claim

### Brusno

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 8031421, Built 1980,  
1,755 dwt



**Date of Casualty** 27 October 2014

**Voyage** Ropruchey to Vytegra, Russia

**Cargo** 1,914 m/t of rubble

**Type of Casualty** Grounding whilst entering the Vytegorskiy Channel in the Volgo-Balt Canal

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

### Eid

Ro-ro ferry, IMO 7700403, Built 1978, 150 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 28 October 2014

**Voyage** Floro to Fure, Norway

**Type of Casualty** Grounding

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage, salvage and passenger claims

### Rothensee/Andromeda

*Rothensee* – Self-propelled barge, no other details

*Andromeda* – Self-propelled barge, no other details

**Date of Casualty** 28 October 2014

**Cargo** 800 m/t of iron / Unknown

**Type of Casualty** Collision in the Mittelland Canal causing the Rothensee to sink. The channel is currently blocked.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim and wreck removal

### Sunrise Sambu

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9288007, Built 2004, 3,613 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 28 October 2014

**Voyage** Shanghai China to Kawasaki, Japan

**Cargo** Unknown

**Type of Casualty** Adrift with engine difficulties off Sukumo, Japan.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim



### Kertu ▽

General cargo with container capacity, IMO 9125683, Built 1996, 4,224 dwt


**Date of Casualty** 29 October 2014

**Voyage** Sodertalje, Sweden to Kokkola, Finland

**Cargo** Unknown

**Type of Casualty** Grounding during heavy weather on the Fudden reef near Landsort, Sweden. The vessel's bunker tanks were ruptured and oil was lost into the sea. The vessel has since refloated but oil continues to leak into the sea.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage and clean-up operations

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## CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP

**Colombo Express** – edition 80 - docked at Busan on 21 October where repairs will be undertaken to her damaged forward port side bulwark following the collision with the Maersk Tanjung.

**Long Bright** – edition 82 & 83 – contrary to previous reports we are advised that the vessel refloated without assistance by the Egyptian Navy. A combination of wind and tide helped the vessel float free.

**Grande Francia** – edition 83 – the search for the 10 containers loaded with tyres which were lost during storms in the North sea has not yielded any results. The vessel

is in Hamburg where the damage is being repaired and containers which fell on deck are being reloaded or removed.

**Simushir** – edition 83 – repairs have been and the vessel has proceeded to Russia. A Russian icebreaker is standing by to escort it to its final destination.

**Kuixia 609** – edition 83 – would appear to be the unnamed vessel listed in our Newsletter last week, which sank in Yangtze river after breaking in two. The vessel had been proceeding from Chongqing to Zhenjiang, China loaded with 4,975 m/t of titanium concentrates.

