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Unacceptable violation

On 19 November 2023, the Galaxy Leader was attacked and the crew has been held hostage ever since. Every 19th of the month, we reflect on this unacceptable violation of international law and call attention to these innocent people. They have been victims of a geopolitical struggle they had nothing to do with for 427 days now.

Even as a possible ceasefire agreement, between Israel and Hamas appears to be reached, it remains to be seen whether the attacks will then actually stop and the crew will be released. After all, as Annet Koster pointed out in an interview, the Houtis are making a lot of money' from shipowners who would pay off safe passage.

Shipping must not become a geopolitical plaything and the mare liberum must be protected. Innocent crews like those of the Galaxy Leader should not bear the brunt of political tensions. And the crew of the Galaxy Leader? They have been held hostage for 427 days now. We do not forget them. The entire crew must be released immediately!

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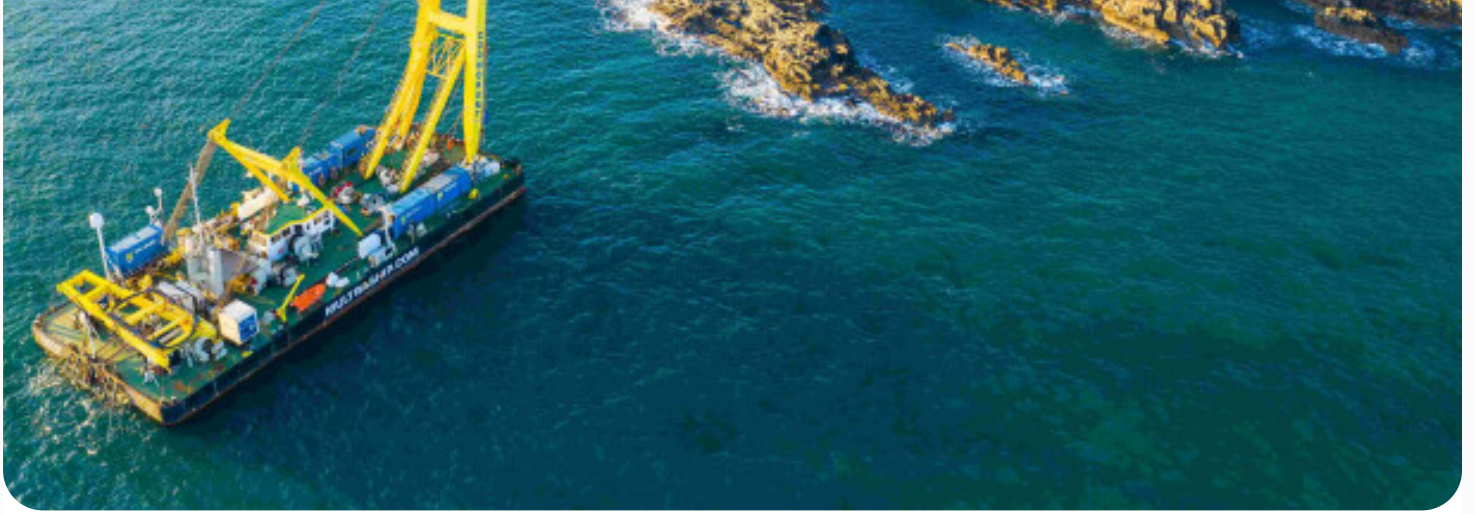
KVNR: some Dutch-flagged ships safely pass through Strait of Hormuz

Since the signing of the MoU between the United States and Iran, there have been time windows during which ships have been able to safely leave the Persian Gulf.

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Opinion





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Nowadays, we put a price on more and more things. CO₂ is no exception. With the expansion in 2024 of the European emissions trading system (EU-ETS) to shipping, our...

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Statement KVNR: reopening Strait of Hormuz

The KVNR has taken relieved note of the ceasefire agreement between the United States

and Iran, which seems to have prevented the further escalation previously announced in t
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