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## LOF Round-Up 2020 to 2021

We are pleased to provide our annual LOF Supplement which provides details of the Lloyd's Open Form Salvage Contracts contracted throughout 2020. The list relates to casualties which took place in 2020 or where the contract was signed during 2020 and includes a summary schedule on the last page.

The supplement has been compiled from information provided by Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch as well as information from many salvage companies. We would like to express our thanks to all for their assistance and cooperation. It has been an incredibly difficult year as we all try to cope with the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on our lives and at a time when the salvage industry was already facing challenges, Covid-19 has no doubt impacted and will continue to impact the sector for some time to come. In an industry where emergency response is key, salvors have had to address how they can continue to provide the type of response which we demand whilst dealing with the potential risks to their personnel and issues regarding travel and deployment of craft and equipment and possible delays with the completion of the operations. Many salvors were quick to respond to the challenges, establishing Covid-19 management teams, implementing clear rules and protocols for their staff and subcontractors to ensure they were able to demonstrate a commitment to safe working practices when asked to assist.

Our Newsletter has been fuller than ever this year with many editions extending to three pages and there is no doubt 2020 has been a busy claims year for insurers. The question is whether this has translated into an increase in salvage services being performed using the Lloyd's Open Form salvage contract? The quick answer is yes and we provide details and analysis below.

As it currently stands there have been 46 LOF salvage contracts signed during the course of 2020. The figure is up slightly from the 43 LOF contracts agreed in 2019. Whilst it is only a small increase, the contracts notably relate to commercial vessels, with only four LOF services being performed to recreational vessels with relatively limited values.

For the most part the LOF salvage services have been contracted with companies who have been regular users of the

LOF salvage contract with the Multiraship BV, the SMIT group, and Tsaviris Salvage performing many of the services. Some companies have had an quiet year from an LOF perspective although they may well have performed more commercial contracts which are not reported and there has also been the withdrawal of Ardent from the market. It still remains to be seen if some of these companies will be able to survive this extremely challenging period.

Analysis of the figures for 2020 shows that in terms of vessel type bulk carriers are at the top with 16 of the LOF contracts, compared to a mere five in 2019. Of those 16 LOF salvage contracts the salvage services were for the most part performed to vessels carrying cargo with only three of the bulk carriers being in ballast. General cargo vessels topped the vessel category in the 2019 figures but they share second place in 2020 with tankers, each with eight, and of those three tankers and one general cargo vessel were in ballast. There was also an LOF to a tank barge carrying vinyl chloride.

Of course cases involving loaded tankers always raise the stakes because of the potential for the serious environmental impact which their cargoes might pose. Loaded tankers used to historically have much of the focus from an environmental perspective but we all know that even bulk carriers in ballast pose a significant threat from their fuel oil and that was demonstrated in July of 2020 when the *Wakashio* ran aground off the coast of Mauritius. Bad weather hampered the salvage operation and the vessel split in two, spilling her bunkers into the sea. The vessel's owners have since confirmed that the crew altered course closer to the Island in order to get better coverage for their mobile phones.

Groundings are notably up from 2019. In the bulk carrier category 12 of the 16 cases involved vessels running aground with only four of the services being performed to disabled vessels having suffered some form of mechanical failure and at least one of those casualties had the potential to run aground given that it was very close to the coast when the salvors rendered their assistance. There was only one tanker grounding, the *Nordic Wolverine*. The remaining tanker LOFs included five mechanical failures and two

fires, with both of the fire cases likely to result in the vessels being declared as constructive total losses. Another notable fire case in 2020 was the fire on board the *Hoegh Xiamen*, the only vehicle carrier in the 2020 round-up. Containerships were involved in only two LOFs and there were two passenger ro-ros which were assisted on LOF terms having run aground.

Almost all of the casualties have been reported in the Casualty Newsletter, albeit there are some which were unreported entirely and we have only recently received notice of. There is one matter where we are prevented from disclosing the name of the vessel although it was previously reported in the Newsletter but not identified as having been the subject of salvage services. Overall there have been 21 groundings, which is an increase of six from the 2019 figures, 18 engine breakdowns, which is up on 2019's figure of ten, a reduction in fire cases to four from seven and only two vessels suffered a loss of stability and required assistance compared to three in 2019. There is one case where we have been unable to establish the nature of the casualty.

The SCOPIIC clause was invoked in only eight cases in 2020 compared to 18 cases in 2019 and all but the *Wakashio* were loaded with cargo.

The 2020 figures show very clearly that there is still a much needed place for the LOF salvage contract. It is also hard to argue for the most part that the LOF salvage contract has been used inappropriately during 2020 with so many of the services involving grounded vessels. Again there is a clear move away from long ocean tows being performed under the LOF contract.

We leave you with one final thought this year, something which some of our readers have commented on over the past nine or so months. We rightly applaud our key workers in hospitals, schools and in the travel industry but let us not forget, when shipping is responsible for 80% of the World's trade, the difficulties which have faced many seafarers across the Globe, some of whom have been at sea for many months having been prevented from shore visits. We commend them for their service to global trade and also to the salvage teams who are available to assist them when the worst happens.

## LOFs CONTRACTED THROUGHOUT 2020

### Protefs

Passenger ro-ro, Built 2019

**Date of Casualty** 5 January 2020

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on the rocky Islet of Daskalonisi during bad weather. Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs were contracted to assist the ferry under the terms of an LOF salvage contract.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim



### Aeolos

Bulk carrier, IMO 9228382, Built 2001, 32,256 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 6 January 2020

**Voyage** Diliskelesi, Turkey to Malta

**Cargo** 19,273,42 m/t of iron ore

**Type of Casualty** Suffered rudder failure whilst sailing in the Aegean Sea, north east of Cape Maleas, Greece. The weather at the time was stormy and was forecast to deteriorate further with winds at Beaufort force 10. Tsaviris Russ (Worldwide Salvage & Towage) Ltd were contracted on LOF terms. The tug *Vernikos Sifnos* was deployed together with the *Alexander 5*. The vessel was towed to Piraeus and anchored on 13 January 2020.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim and possible General Average declaration

### EM Oinousses

Fullly cellular containership, IMO 9203514, Built 2000, 32,321 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 19 January 2020



## LATE NOTIFICATIONS

In September of this year Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch received a late notification of an LOF contract agreed in September 2018 in respect of salvage services performed to the *Lara* by Sea Tow Europe. No further details regarding the vessel or the type of casualty have been made available.

Further casualties overleaf

**Voyage** Maputo, Mozambique to Mombasa, Kenya

**Cargo** General containerised cargo

**Type of Casualty** Suffered an engine room fire whilst off Nacala, Mozambique. The engine room was sealed and the fire extinguishing system activated. Tugs were deployed from Nacala where the containership was towed. Kotug Mozambique BV assisted under the terms of a Lloyds Open Form salvage contract. The vessel was subsequently sold to breakers in India.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage, LOF salvage claim and General Average declaration

**P&I** UK Club

### Ormi

Bulk carrier, IMO 9397200, Built 2006, 16,648 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 21 January 2020

**Voyage** Kherson, Ukraine to Haifa, Israel

**Cargo** Soya beans

**Type of Casualty** Experienced a mechanical failure whilst in the Mediterranean south of Rhodes island, Greece. Med Tugs Towage & Salvage were contracted to assist and the tug *Karapiperis 18* was deployed to the vessel. She was towed to a sheltered location and subsequently taken to Piraeus. After completing repairs the vessel sailed to destination of 14 February 2020.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** MS Arniln

### Hupeg

Bulk carrier, IMO 9714264, Built 2016, 39,773 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 9 February 2020

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**Voyage** Flushing, Netherlands to Panama  
**Cargo** 36,800 m/t of unknown product  
**Type of Casualty** The vessel was refloated and towed to Evergreen under an LOF salvage contract with Multiraship Salvage B.V. and URS Nederland B.V.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** Standard Club



### Crystal Lavender

LPG carrier, IMO 9851610, Built 2019, 4,900 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 11 February 2020  
**Voyage** Lisbon, Portugal to Lyngdal, Norway  
**Cargo** In ballast

**Type of Casualty** Suffered engine failure whilst southwest of Flekkefjord, Norway 20 nm south-west of the Llista Lighthouse.

The vessel was towed to Lyngdal, Norway. Farsund Fortøyningsselskap AS were contracted as LOF salvors.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** Gard



### Miltiadis M II

Crude oil tanker, IMO 9311610, Built 2006, 162,936 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 17 February 2020  
**Voyage** Quebec and Come by Chance, Canada, to Freeport, Bahamas

**Cargo** Crude oil  
**Type of Casualty** The vessel suffered engine problems whilst approaching the pilot station at Come by Chance where she was due to load further cargo. Tugs were deployed and the vessel was anchored. With poor weather forecast further assistance was sought and Five Oceans Salvage were contracted to assist on LOF terms.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** West of England



### Pampero

Tank barge, 1,599 ts

**Date of Casualty** 18 February 2020  
**Voyage** Port de Bouc to Lavéra, France  
**Cargo** 2,200 m/t of vinyl chloride

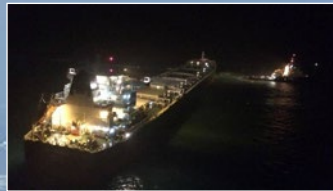
**Type of Casualty** Allided with a lock at Sablons on the Rhône and then ran aground. The barge suffered heavy damage and a small amount of cargo was lost. Smit Salvage were contracted under LOF terms to save the barge. Salvors lightened the cargo before removing the vessel. Navigation between the ports of Valence and Salaise-Sablons was finally deemed safe on 29 March 2020 and the waterway was opened.

**Type of Claim** Allision damage, LOF salvage claim and clean-up operations

### Sea Hermes

Bulk carrier, IMO 9603154, Built 2013, 81,708 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 22 February 2020



**Voyage** San Lorenzo, Argentina to Gdynia, Poland

**Cargo** 49,640 m/t of soya bean meal  
**Type of Casualty** The vessel suffered a loss of propulsion whilst she was transiting the English Channel 6.3 nm north of Cape Cris-Nez, Pas-de-Calais. The weather at the time was reported to be west-southwest winds of 29 knots with rough seas. She was later taken in tow by the *Abeille Languedoc* to an anchorage at Dungeness Bay arriving in the late evening of 23 February 2020. The services were performed under an LOF salvage contract by Les Abeilles International.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** Skuld

### Stellar Banner

Very large ore carrier, IMO 9726803, Built 2016, 300,630 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 24 February 2020  
**Voyage** São Luís, Brazil to Qingdao, China  
**Cargo** 294,000 m/t of iron ore  
**Type of Casualty** Smit Salvage BV and Ardent Salvage were jointly contracted to save the vessel which ran aground off São Luís, Brazil shortly after departing the Vale Terminal in Ponta Da Madeira, Brazil. Salvors removed

the vessel's bunkers and cargo. The vessel was damaged beyond repair and was scuttled in the Atlantic some 150 km from Maranhão, Brazil. [Click here](#) for video.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** Korea Shipowners

### Lila Tokyo

Bulk carrier, IMO 9431525, Built 2010, 79,836 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 27 February 2020

**Voyage** No details  
**Cargo** In ballast

**Type of Casualty** Immobilized in the north Pacific Ocean. Tsaviris Salvage (International) Ltd were contracted on LOF terms.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** West of England



### Aeolian Grace

Bulk carrier, IMO 9298258, Built 2007, 76,525 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 4 March 2020  
**Voyage** São Francisco do Sul, Brazil to Singapore and China

**Cargo** 65,804 m/t of soya beans  
**Type of Casualty** The *Aeolian Grace* had loaded a cargo of soya beans at the port of Sao Francisco do Sul and was in the process of manoeuvring to depart when she grounded on a stone slab at Laje da Barata. The accident happened at low tide and left the vessel some 500 metres from the port. Smit Salvage Americas were contracted to save the vessel under a Lloyd's Open Form salvage contract. The vessel was refloated on 9 March 2020 with the assistance of four tugs.

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

**P&I** Skuld

### Nourah of Riyadh

Yacht, Built 2008, 1,531 gt

**Date of Casualty** 8 March 2020

**Type of Casualty** The vessel suffered a loss

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of stability and capsized after developing a severe list off Perama, Greece. Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs were contracted to salvage the yacht on LOF terms.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

### Lady 1

Bulk carrier, IMO 9336610, Built 2007, 75,356 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 17 March 2020

**Voyage** San Lorenzo, Argentina to Zona Comun

**Cargo** Maize

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on the Paraná river close to the port of San Lorenzo. Tsaviris Salvage (International) Ltd were contracted on LOF terms and the tug *Brutus* was deployed to assist.

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

### Eems Sprinter

General cargo vessel, IMO 9421611, Built 2007, 2,620 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 21 March 2020

**Voyage** No details

**Cargo** General cargo

**Type of Casualty** Assisted by Multiraship Salvage BV after becoming disabled.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** Noord Nederlandsche



### Kaami

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9063885, Built 1994, 4,293 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 23 March 2020

**Voyage** Drogheda, Ireland to Slite, Sweden

**Cargo** 1,927 m/t of RDF Pellets

**Type of Casualty** The 1994 built vessel was in the course of a voyage from Drogheda, Ireland to Slite, Sweden laden with a cargo of 1,927 m/t of RDF Pellets (Refuse-derived fuel) when she struck and grounded on Eugenie Rock located about 6 nm North

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West off Duntulm on the Isle of Skye in Scotland. The grounding resulted in the loss of some of the vessel's diesel oil but its environmental impact was expected to be low as diesel it is a non-persistent oil. Resolve Salvage were contracted on LOF terms. In a challenging operation they removed the remaining bunkers and cargo, much of which was waterlogged, and the vessel was finally refloated on 5 May 2020. She was taken to the shipyard in Loch Kishorn, Scotland, and subsequently scrapped after the damage arising from the grounding was found to exceed the vessel's value.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage, LOF salvage claim with SCOPIIC invoked

**P&I** Gard

### AG Valor

Bulk carrier, IMO 9312327, Built 2004, 28,510 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 29 March 2020

**Voyage** San Lorenzo/Rosario, Argentina to Saleef or Hodeidah, Yemen

**Cargo** 19,190 m<sup>3</sup> of maize and 8,010 m<sup>3</sup> of soybean meal

**Type of Casualty** The 2004 bulk carrier had loaded a cargo of corn and soya bean meal at the Cofco International Timbues berth in Rosario and was departing the port when she grounded. The grounding caused an obstruction to the channel and interrupted port operations for laden vessels. The vessel attempted to refloat under her own power but was unsuccessful. T&T Salvage refloated the vessel under the terms of a Lloyd's Open Form (LOF) salvage contract.

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

**P&I** Skuld

### Asia Pearl IV

Bulk carrier, IMO 9502764, Built 2010, 35,220 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 2 May 2020

**Voyage** Laem Chabang, Thailand to Merak Banten, Indonesia



**Cargo** 30,000 m<sup>3</sup> of sugar

**Type of Casualty** Grounded off Mendanau Island, Indonesia. The owners contracted PT Samudera Mbianti Sesami and SMIT Land Marine Engineering (Far East) Pte Ltd under a Lloyd's Open Form salvage contract. A dive survey will be undertaken to ascertain the extent of any reef damage.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage, hull and possible reef damage claims

**P&I** Standard Club

### Esprit

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9479943, Built 2011, 4,450 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 12 May 2020

**Voyage** No details

**Cargo** General cargo

**Type of Casualty** Assisted by Multiraship Salvage BV after becoming disabled.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** Standard Club

### C Rock

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9333668, Built 2005, 5,850 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 12 May 2020

**Voyage** Barcelona, Spain to Damietta, Egypt

**Cargo** In ballast

**Type of Casualty** Suffered main engine problems 130nm south-south-east of Crete Island, Greece. Tsaviris Salvage were contracted on LOF terms. This vessel suffered main engine problems in July of 2019 and was also assisted by Tsaviris Salvage under an LOF salvage agreement.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** London Club



### Ghety Bottiglieri

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9232034, Built 2002, 40,165 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 23 May 2020

**Voyage** Amsterdam, Netherlands to Nantong, China

**Cargo** 33,562,582 m<sup>3</sup> of mixed aromatics

**Type of Casualty** Suffered engine failure whilst in the Arabian sea 370nm east of Socotra island. Tsaviris Salvage were contracted under a Lloyd's Open Form Salvage Agreement to provide assistance. The vessel was towed to Fujairah, United Arab Emirates by the tug *Gladiator* arriving on 11 June 2020.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** UK Club

### Minna

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9246712, Built 2005, 41,780 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 26 May 2020

**Voyage** Beira, Mozambique to Mauritius and Singapore

**Cargo** General containerised cargo

**Type of Casualty** The vessel ran aground whilst departing the port of Beira, Mozambique. T&T Salvage were contracted as salvors and the vessel owners declared General Average. Stichling Hahn Hilbich of Hamburg are appointed as GA Adjusters. The vessel was refloated on 4 June 2020.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage, General Average declaration and LOF salvage claim

**P&I** Standard Club



### Hoegh Xiamen

Vehicle carrier, IMO 9431848, Built 2010, 12,250 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 4 June 2020

**Voyage** Freeport, Bahamas to Jacksonville, USA

**Cargo** Vehicles

**Type of Casualty** The vessel suffered a serious fire whilst she was berthed at the

Blount Island Marine Terminal in the port of Jacksonville, Florida. Resolve Salvage were subsequently contracted under an LOF Salvage contract with SCOPIIC invoked. The fire on the vehicle carrier was finally extinguished eight days after it began. On 30 August 2020 the fire ravaged car carrier was towed from the port of Jacksonville by the offshore tug *Alp Striker* bound for Allaga in Turkey where she was scrapped. Click [here](#) for video.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage, cargo loss, LOF salvage claim with SCOPIIC

**P&I** Gard

### Krisjanis Valdemars

Combined chemical and oil products tanker, IMO 9314870, Built 2007, 37,266 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 5 June 2020

**Voyage** Bourgas, Bulgaria to Antwerp, Belgium

**Cargo** Gasoline

**Type of Casualty** Suffered engine failure on the river Scheldt and was assisted by Multiraship under an LOF salvage contract.

**Type of Claim** LOF Salvage claim

**P&I** Skuld

### Amber L

Bulk carrier, IMO 9200354, Built 2000, 25,955 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 22 June 2020

**Voyage** Biringkasi, Indonesia to China

**Cargo** 39,500 m<sup>3</sup> of cement clinker

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**Type of Casualty** Ran aground 20 nm from Biringkasi, Indonesia. Five Oceans Salvage were contacted on LOF terms to assist the vessel. The 90 bollard pull tug *Logindo Sturdy* was deployed. The Indonesian Navy were subcontracted to assist.

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

**P&I** London Club

### Ozsoy

General cargo with container capacity, IMO 9143403, Built 1997, 4,834 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 24 June 2020

**Voyage** Tulcea, Romania to Bandirma, Turkey

**Cargo** Laden, no details

**Type of Casualty** Suffered engine failure off Mangalia, Romania. The tug *Horoz* was deployed to assist and the vessel was towed to Yalova, Turkey under an LOF salvage contract with Sirius Salvage Ltd. Damage surveys confirmed the damage was to the main engine crankshaft. The vessel subsequently proceeded to Bardirama for cargo discharge and repairs in Tuzla. She suffered a technical failure during sea trials on 12 November 2020 and was returned to the Tuzla shipyard where additional works were undertaken.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** Hansaatic P&I



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### Ourania Luck

Bulk carrier, IMO 9218428, Built 2000, 75,961 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 4 July 2020

**Voyage** San Lorenzo, Argentina to Kuwait

**Cargo** 44,834 m/t of maize

**Type of Casualty** The vessel ran aground on the river at 2235 hours on 4 July 2020 in the General Lagos area shortly after departing San Lorenzo port where she had loaded a cargo of maize bound for Kuwait. As a consequence of the grounding the waterway was blocked and all traffic on the river had to be suspended, later opening for vessels with a draft of less than 7.3 metres. Tsaviris Salvage were immediately appointed by the vessel owners to assist with the refloating operation under the terms of an LOF salvage contract. They have salvage masters on retention in the area and were able to quickly deploy assistance, also subcontracting the local tug *Brutus* to the site. The vessel was refloated just over a day after her grounding at 2334 hours with the assistance of the *Brutus* and another local tug, the *Ranquel*. The *Ouriana Luck* anchored for inspection and was finally able to set sail again at 1956 hours on 6 July 2020. In the meantime the river was re-opened without restrictions.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage, LOF salvage claim and possible General Average declaration

**P&I** Swedish Club



### Nordic Wolverine

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9043081, Built 2006, 16,000 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 19 July 2020

**Voyage** Cartagena to Barranquilla, Colombia

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** The vessel ran aground close to the port of Barranquilla. Initial attempts to refloat the vessel were unsuccessful and T&T Salvage were contracted to provide assistance under an LOF salvage contract with SCOPIC invoked. The tanker was finally refloated by four tugs at around 1835 hours local time on 30 July 2020. [Click](#)



[here](#) and [here](#) for video. The vessel owners also declared General Average appointing Richards Hogg Lindley as General Average Adjusters.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** Gard



### Sursum Corda

Fishing vessel, IMO 9034119, Built 1992, 360 gt

**Date of Casualty** 20 July 2020

**Type of Casualty** Draggled at anchor and was pushed aground at Nørre Lyngby, northwest Jutland, Denmark. Multraship Salvage BV were contracted to save the vessel.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage and LOF salvage claim

### Wakashio

Bulk carrier, IMO 9337119, Built 2007, 203,130 dwt 2007

**Date of Casualty** 25 July 2020

**Voyage** Lianyungang, China to Tubarão, Brazil  
**Cargo** In ballast



**Type of Casualty** The vessel was on a ballast voyage from Lianyungang in China to Tubarão in Brazil when she ran aground on a coral reef three miles south of Pointe d'Esny, Mauritius spilling fuel oil from her ruptured bunker tanks. Smit Salvage and Nippon Salvage were contracted as joint salvors under the terms of an LOF contract with SCOPIC invoked. The salvage service was complicated by deteriorating weather and the vessel broke apart on 15 August 2020 but not before all the remaining fuel oil and contaminants had been pumped from the vessel. The forward section of the bulk carrier was scuttled in an area designated by the Mauritian Authorities on 24 August 2020. Work to remove the aft section from the reef continues.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim with SCOPIC  
**P&I** Japan Shipowners

### Deniz S

General cargo with container capacity, IMO 8103389, Built 1982, 7,444 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 31 July 2020

**Voyage** Constanta, Romania to Turkey

**Cargo** Steel

**Type of Casualty** Suffered water ingress whilst off Obzor, north east of Bourgas. The water entered the forepeak and caused the vessel to develop a forward port list. Tugs were deployed to assist the vessel which was later towed into Bourgas. Multraship Salvage BV



were contracted on LOF salvage terms.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

### Xanadu

Yacht, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 4 August 2020

**Type of Casualty** Salvage services were provide to the yacht by Servicios Subacuaticos Ibiza SA.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim



### New Diamond

Crude oil tanker, IMO 9191424, Built 2000, 299,986 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 3 September 2020

**Voyage** Mina al Ahmadi, Kuwait to Paradip, India

**Cargo** 270,000 m/t of crude oil

**Type of Casualty** In the early hours of 2 September 2020 the *New Diamond* issued a distress signal after suffering an explosion and fire in her engine room which left her disabled and drifting in the Bay of Bengal some 40 miles off Sri Lanka's southeast coast. The Sri Lankan Navy deployed various vessels to proceed to the area carrying

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anti-pollution equipment and the Indian Coast Guard diverted six of their vessels with fire-fighting capability to the site as well as a fixed wing aircraft to carry out an aerial survey of the vessel and surrounding area. During the evening of 4 September 2020 a line was established to the tanker and she was towed away from the coast by a Sri Lankan coast guard tug to avoid any risk that she may drift aground. The fire was confirmed as having been largely brought under control by 0530 hours on 5 September 2020 with authorities confirming it was mostly extinguished on 6 September 2020. Smit Singapore Pte Ltd were contracted under an LOF contract to provide further assistance to the vessel and a salvage team arrived at the casualty on 6 September 2020 having been dispatched from the UK and the Netherlands. [Click here](#) and [here](#) to view videos posted by the Sri Lanka Air Force showing the aftermath of the fire on board the crude oil tanker. The tanker was towed 2,000 miles to the port of Khor Fakkan in the United Arab Emirates arriving on 8 November 2020.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage, LOF salvage claim and possible General Average declaration

**P&I** West of England

### Antero

Bulk carrier, IMO 9537381, Built 2011, 56,892 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 7 September 2020

**Voyage** Antwerp, Belgium to Gdansk, Poland

**Cargo** In ballast

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on the Wester Scheldt near Terneuzen, Netherlands.



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Multitrash Salvage BV and URS Nederland BV were contracted on LOF terms and deployed numerous tugs to the site. The vessel refloated early on 8 September 2020 and moored in Flushing roads for inspection.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim  
**P&I** London Club



### Amorella

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 8601915, Built 1988, 3,690 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 20 September 2020

**Type of Casualty** Grounding

**Voyage** Turku, Finland to Stockholm, Sweden

**Type of Casualty** The 1988 built ferry, which is operated by Viking Lines, was en route from Turku in Finland to Stockholm in Sweden with 207 passengers and 80 crew on board when she was damaged south of Långnäs on the Åland Islands after striking the seabed whilst navigating between two rocks located in the Haesslo fjord. The ferry was holed and began taking on water to such an extent that the crew navigated her to the shallows off Järsö island and put her aground at 1250 hours. After divers patched the vessel's hull she was refloated in the afternoon of 23 September 2020, with assistance by the tugs *Kraft*, *Jupiter*, and *Neptune*. The salvage services were completed under the terms of an LOF Salvage Agreement with Finnish salvors Alfons Håkans. The ferry was then towed to Langnasudd where the trucks and cars on board were discharged. Click [here](#) for video.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage and salvage claim  
**P&I** North of England

### Ujjayi

Catamaran yacht, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 24 September 2020

**Type of Casualty** dragged anchor and grounded during adverse weather at bay

of Argostoli, Kefalonia. Kypriotis Ger. and Kypriotis Dion, Co Owners

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

### My Duru

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 8602000, Built 1986, 2,307 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 16 October 2020

**Voyage** Chornomorsk, Ukraine, to Jorf Lasfar, Morocco

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Suffered an engine failure whilst sailing in the Aegean sea. Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs were contracted on LOF terms. The tug *Christos XL* was deployed and towed the vessel to Cesme in Turkey.

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

**P&I** Standard Club

### General Hazi Aslanov

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9333577, Built 2005, 6,444 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 24 October 2020

**Voyage** Kavkaz to Rostov-on-Don, Russia.

**Cargo** In ballast

**Type of Casualty** Suffered an explosion in her cargo tanks whilst in the Sea of Azov.

The tanker was seriously damaged and developed a list. Ten of the 13 crew on board were rescued. Three of the crew, who were working close to the site of the explosion, were killed. The tanker was towed to a safe anchorage near Kavkaz. LOF salvage services were performed by the Federal State Budgetary Institution Marine Rescue Service, Russia. Click [here](#) for video.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage, LOF salvage claim and loss of life claims

**P&I** West of England

### Mercury Ocean

Bulk carrier, IMO 9480942, Built 2008, 53,452 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 25 October 2020

**Voyage** Boshnyakovo to unknown destination

**Cargo** 12,000 m<sup>3</sup> of coal

**Type of Casualty** Dragged her anchor and drifted aground whilst at the Boshnyakovo Anchorage, Sakhalin Island. The vessel was refloated on 30 October 2020 after 4,000 m<sup>3</sup> of cargo had been removed. LOF salvage services were performed by the Federal State Budgetary Institution Marine Rescue Service, Russia. The vessel had been loading coal. Click [here](#) for video.

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

**P&I** Japan Shipowners



### MSF Lady Haloum

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9020338, Built 1993, 12,184 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 27 October 2020

**Voyage** Piraeus, Greece to Tripoli, Libya

**Cargo** General containerised cargo

**Type of Casualty** Pushed onto a breakwater off the port of Tripoli after dragging at anchor. Resolve Salvage were contracted to salvage the vessel under the terms of a Lloyd's Open Form of Salvage contract with SCOPIC invoked.

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

### Vasily Shukshin

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9057288, Built 1995, 2,750 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 9 November 2020

**Voyage** Busan, South Korea to Vostochnyy, Russia

**Cargo** General containerised cargo including 12 containers of radioactive waste

**Type of Casualty** Suffered a loss of power 35 nm south-east of Vostochnyy, Russia. Salvage vessel *Spasatel Zaborshchikov* was mobilised and towed the *Vasily Shukshin* to Vostochnyy Roads. LOF salvage services were performed by the Federal State Budgetary Institution Marine Rescue Service, Russia.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim

**P&I** British Marine

### Reina del Mare

Yacht, MMSI 235030063

**Date of Casualty** 20 November 2020

**Type of Casualty** Assisted by Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs under an LOF salvage contract. No details of the casualty have been provided to us.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

### Hillie


Fishing vessel, IMO 8871730, Built 1981, 126 gt

**Date of Casualty** 1 December 2020

**Type of Casualty** Assisted by Multitrash

Salvage BV after the vessel became disabled and was drifting. The vessel had its catch on board.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

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### Undisclosed bulk carrier

Built 2008, 32,295 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 10 December 2020

**Voyage** Arroyo Seco, Argentina to Preveza, Greece

**Cargo** Soya meal

**Type of Casualty** The vessel ran aground off Preveza, Greece during poor weather. Greek salvors were contracted to refloat the vessel on LOF terms.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim and General Average declaration

**P&I** London Club

### Robin 4

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9399741, Built 2007, 35,358 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 11 December 2020


**Voyage** Antwerp, Belgium to Kingston, Jamaica

**Cargo** General containerised cargo

**Type of Casualty** Assisted by Multitrash Salvage BV and URS Nederland BV after becoming disabled.

**Type of Claim** LOF salvage claim

**P&I** Standard Club

Casualty schedule overleaf 



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LOF 2020								
No.	Casualty Date	Name of Vessel	Type of Vessel	Loaded	Type of cargo	SCOPIIC	Type of Casualty	Salvors
1	1/5/2020	Protefs	Passenger ro-ro	Yes	Vehicles and passengers	No	Grounding	Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs
2	1/6/2020	Aeolos	Bulk carrier	Yes	Metals - Iron ore	No	Mechanical failure	Tsavliris Russ (Worldwide Salvage & Towage) Ltd
3	1/19/2020	Em Oinousses	Fully cellular containership	Yes	General containerised cargo	No	Fire - engine room	Kotug Mozambique BV
4	1/21/2020	Ormi	Bulk carrier	Yes	Soya beans	No	Mechanical failure	Med Tug Towage and Salvage
5	2/9/2020	Hupeh	Bulk carrier	Yes	Unknown product	No	Grounding	Multiraship Salvage BV and URS Nederland BV
6	2/11/2020	Crystal Lavender	LPG carrier	No	n/a	No	Mechanical failure	Farsund Fortoyningsselskap AS
7	2/17/2020	Miltiadis M II	Crude oil tanker	Yes	Crude oil	No	Mechanical failure	Five Ocean Salvage
8	2/18/2020	Pampero	Barge	Yes	Vinyl chloride	Yes	Allision and grounding	Smit Salvage BV
9	2/22/2020	Sea Hermes	Bulk carrier	Yes	Soya beans	No	Mechanical failure	Les Abeilles International
10	2/24/2020	Stellar Banner	Bulk carrier	Yes	Metals - Iron ore	Yes	Grounding	Ardent Maritime Netherlands BV and Smit Salvage BV
11	2/27/2020	Lila Tokyo	Bulk carrier	No	n/a	No	Mechanical failure	Tsavliris Salvage (International) Limited
12	3/4/2020	Aeolian Grace	Bulk carrier	Yes	Soya beans	No	Grounding	Smit Salvage Americas
13	3/8/2020	Nourah Of Riyad	Yacht	n/a	n/a	No	Stability loss and capsizing	Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs
14	3/17/2020	Lady I	Bulk carrier	Yes	Maize	No	Grounding	Tsavliris Salvage (International) Limited
15	3/21/2020	Eems Sprinter	General cargo vessel	Yes	General cargo	No	Mechanical failure	Multiraship Salvage BV
16	3/23/2020	Kaami	General cargo vessel with container capacity	Yes	PDF pellets	Yes	Grounding	Resolve Marine Group Inc
17	3/29/2020	AG Valor	Bulk carrier	Yes	Maize and soya beans	No	Grounding	T&T Salvage LLC
18	5/2/2020	Asia Pearl Iv	Bulk carrier	Yes	Sugar	No	Grounding	PT Samudera Mbiantu Sesami and SMIT Land Marine Engineering (Far East) Pte Ltd
19	5/12/2020	C Rock	Combined chemical and oil tanker	No	n/a	No	Mechanical failure	Tsavliris Salvage (International) Ltd
20	5/12/2020	Esprit	General cargo vessel with container capacity	Yes	General cargo	No	Mechanical failure	Multiraship Salvage BV
21	5/23/2020	Ghety Bottiglieri	Combined chemical and oil tanker	Yes	Mixed aromatics	No	Mechanical failure	Tsavliris Salvage (International) Ltd
22	5/26/2020	Minna	Fully cellular containership	Yes	General containerised cargo	No	Grounding	T&T Salvage Asia Pte Ltd, Singapore
23	6/4/2020	Hoegh Xiamen	Vehicle carrier	Yes	Vehicles	Yes	Fire	Resolve Salvage & Fire (Americas) Inc
24	6/5/2020	Krisjanis Valdemars	Combined chemical and oil tanker	Yes	Gasoline	No	Mechanical failure	Multiraship Salvage BV
25	6/22/2020	Amber L	Bulk carrier	Yes	Cement clinker	No	Grounding	Five Oceans Salvage
26	6/24/2020	Ozsoy	General cargo vessel with container capacity	No	n/a	No	Mechanical failure	Sirius Salvage Ltd
27	7/4/2020	Ourania Luck	Bulk carrier	Yes	Maize	No	Grounding	Tsavliris Salvage (International) Ltd
28	7/19/2020	Nordic Wolverine	Combined chemical and oil tanker	Yes	Oil products	Yes	Grounding	T&T Salvage LLC
29	7/20/2020	Sursum Corda	Fishing vessel	Yes	Fish	Yes	Grounding	Multiraship Salvage BV
30	7/25/2020	Wakashio	Bulk carrier	No	In Ballast	Yes	Grounding	SMIT Salvage Pte Ltd & Nippon Salvage
31	7/31/2020	Deniz S	General cargo vessel with container capacity	Yes	Scrap steel	No	Stability issues	Multiraship Salvage BV
32	8/4/2020	Xanadu	To be confirmed	tbc	n/a	No	To be confirmed	Servicos Subacuaticos Ibiza SA
33	9/3/2020	New Diamond	Crude oil tanker	Yes	Crude oil	No	Explosion and fire	Smit Salvage Pte Ltd
34	9/7/2020	Antero	Bulk carrier	No	In Ballast	No	Grounding	Multiraship Salvage BV and URS Nederland BV
35	9/20/2020	Amorella	Passenger ro-ro	Yes	Vehicles and passengers	No	Grounding	Alfons Håkans Oy Ab
36	9/24/2020	Ujjayi	Catamaran yacht	n/a	n/a	No	Grounding	Kypriotis Ger. and Kypriotis Dion, Co Owners
37	10/16/2020	My Duru	General cargo vessel with container capacity	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	No	Mechanical failure	Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs
38	10/24/2020	General Hazi Aslanov	Combined chemical and oil tanker	No	n/a	TBC	Explosion and fire	Federal State Budgetary Institution Marine Rescue Service
39	10/25/2020	Mercury Ocean	Bulk carrier	Yes	Coal	No	Grounding	Federal State Budgetary Institution Marine Rescue Service
40	10/27/2020	MSF Lady Haloum	General cargo vessel with container capacity	Yes	General containerised cargo	Yes	Grounding	Resolve Salvage & Fire (Americas), Inc
41	11/9/2020	Vasily Shukshin	General cargo vessel with container capacity	Yes	General containerised cargo	No	Mechanical failure	Federal State Budgetary Institution Marine Rescue Service
42	11/20/2020	Reina Del Mare	Yacht	n/a	n/a	No	To be confirmed	Consortium Spanopoulos Salvage Tugs
43	12/1/2020	Hillie (Z188)	Fishing vessel	Yes	Fish	No	Mechanical failure	Multiraship Salvage BV
44	12/7/2020	Marquessa	Crude oil tanker	No	n/a	No	Mechanical failure	Tsavliris Salvage (International) Ltd
45	12/10/2020	Not to be disclosed	Bulk carrier	Yes	Soya beans	No	Grounding	Greek salvors
46	12/11/2020	Robin 4	General cargo vessel with container capacity	Yes	General containerised cargo	No	Mechanical failure	Multiraship Salvage BV and URS Nederland BV