

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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## Collision between Singapore-flagged tanker and Chinese-flagged Fishing Vessel

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) was notified that a Singapore-flagged tanker, PEARL KENZO, had collided with a Chinese-flagged fishing vessel, SUIYUPU 0183, on 26 December at about 12:08 am (Singapore Time) near Chengshan Jiao, China. The tanker was on its way to Zhoushan from Penglai, China, when the incident happened.

- 2. The China Maritime Safety Administration had informed MPA that the fishing vessel had sunk and eight crew onboard are missing. The Chinese authorities had conducted search and rescue operations. All crew members onboard the tanker are safe. No pollution was reported in the vicinity.
- 3. PEARL KENZO is currently anchored at Shidao Anchorage and assisting in investigations by the Chinese authorities.

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## **About Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA)**

MPA was established on 2 February 1996 with the mission to develop Singapore as a premier global hub port and international maritime centre, and to advance and safeguard Singapore's strategic maritime interests. MPA is the driving force behind Singapore's port and maritime development, taking on the roles of port authority, maritime and port regulator and planner, international maritime centre champion, national maritime representative and a champion of digitalisation and decarbonisation efforts at regional and international fora such as at the International Maritime Organization. MPA partners industry, research community and other agencies to enhance safety, security and environmental protection in our waters, facilitate maritime and port operations and growth, expand the cluster of maritime ancillary services, and develops maritime digitalisation and decarbonisation policies and plans, R&D and manpower development. MPA is responsible for the overall development and growth of the maritime domain and Port of Singapore. In 2022, Singapore remained one of the world's busiest transshipment hubs with a container throughput of 37.3 million 20-foot equivalent units (TEUs). For more information, please visit https://www.mpa.gov.sg

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