



MEDIA STATEMENT

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Allision Between a Singapore-Flagged Vessel and a Vessel at Berth in Australia

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) was alerted to an allision between the Singapore-flagged vessel, MAERSK SHEKOU, and the tall ship, STS LEEUWIN II, in the Port of Fremantle, Australia.

2. The incident was reported to have happened on 30 August at 06:20 am (Singapore Time). The MAERSK SHEKOU was proceeding into the harbour under pilotage, assisted by four tugs when it struck the STS LEEUWIN II, which was at berth. It was reported that a Maritime Museum's roof was also damaged in the incident.
3. The allision had caused the mast of STS LEEUWIN II to collapse and resulted in damages to the MAERSK SHEKOU's hull. MAERSK SHEKOU is currently moored at berth in the Fremantle Container Terminal to assist with the investigations by the Australian authorities. No pollution was reported.
4. Two crew members onboard STS LEEUWIN II have been reported to suffer some injuries. The 26 crew members onboard MAERSK SHEKOU are reported to be safe with no injuries.
5. MPA is in contact with vessel manager and also the Fremantle Port Authority.
6. As the Flag State of MAERSK SHEKOU, MPA will be investigating the incident.

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About the 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 2023, Singapore's annual vessel arrival tonnage crossed 3 billion Gross Tonnage and remains the world's busiest transshipment hub, with a total container throughput of 39.0 million 20-foot equivalent units (TEUs).

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