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Mexico Guidance: Recent Claims by Veracruz Port Administrators Over Damaged Fenders

Port: Veracruz, Mexico

Dear Sirs,

In recent weeks we have **seen attempted claims** by the **Veracruz Port Administrators (ASIPONA)** to **claim damages to fenders** (in “public berths”) **with preexisting damages and deteriorated conditions**. While the claims have **not** materialized, Port Agents have reported that Port Administrators would be delaying the relevant vessels until security was received for the alleged damages.

In order to avoid delays and unnecessary complications to vessels and their Underwriters, crew should:

- Take images of the fender conditions in so far as possible prior/during berthing.
- If possible, request Port Agents to confirm the conditions of the fenders in order to best protect interests.
- If an alleged claim is presented, contact us at the below email for prompt attention.

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