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## **COLLISIONS BETWEEN MERCHANT AND FISHING VESSELS IN CHINESE WATERS:** FEATURES AND LOSS PREVENTION SUGGESTIONS

Reference is made to the attached guidance, Collisions Between Merchant and Fishing Vessels in Chinese Waters: Features and Loss Prevention Suggestions, in both English and Mandarin.

The guidance provides:

- a summary overview of the hazard and risk profile of such incidents in People's Republic of China (PRC) waters; and
- loss prevention recommendations to avoid collision with fishing vessels taking into consideration the PRC Maritime Safety Agency's, Safety Guideline for Preventing of Collision Between Merchant Vessels and Fishing Vessels in Chinese Coastal Waters in both **English and Mandarin.**

Furthermore, Members should take note that the fishing ban for the Bohai Sea, Yellow Sea, East China Sea and areas of the South China Sea that went into effect on May 1, 2021 will expire on September 1, 2021 as noted in the Alert of April 23, 2021, People's Republic of China (PRC): Navigational Awareness Before and After Imminent Local Fishing Bans.

Your Managers recommend that Members take note of this information and be guided accordingly. They also wish to thank the Club's correspondents, Huatai Insurance Agency & Consulting Services, Ltd., for their assistance in providing the information contained above.