

Listing and grounding of Vietnam registered vessel *Sunrise Orient* in Hong Kong waters on 21 February 2014

1. The incident

- 1.1 On 20 February 2014, the Vietnam registered cargo vessel *Sunrise Orient* (“*the vessel*”) was on her voyage from the port of Nansha in Guangzhou, China to Hong Kong.
- 1.2 On the morning of 21 February 2014, while *the vessel* was passing the Cheung Chau Buoy, it suddenly listed to port side by more than 50 degrees and lost her control.
- 1.3 *The vessel* was abandoned and finally grounded at Tung Wan Tsui, Cheung Chau. Fortunately, all the crew members were rescued without injury and no oil pollution to the sea was reported.

2. Lessons learnt

- 2.1 The attention of master, officers and crew is drawn to the following lessons learnt from this accident:-
 - cargoes should be stowed and secured in accordance with the cargo securing manual; and
 - abandon ship procedures should be strictly followed.