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Venepandi´s Circular - 013 – allision with Guaranao Port pier affects the port´s operation at Punto Fijo

North pier of the port of Guaranao serving the city of Punto Fijo is out of service due an incident that took place with a vessel on November 12th.

On november 12th, a vessel had an allision with North Pier (Pier B) of the floating port of Guaranao and leaved that area of the port out of service, the area will be out of service meanwhile the respective repairs takes place , leaving only enabled the south pier (pier A) which is now the only pier available to carry out the loading and unloading of ships.

This situation could increase the port congestion due unavailability of piers. In addition, local authorities have reported all vessels carrying out maaneuvers to take extra precaution with the pier that is in a very poor condition and might receive damages more easily that newer or piers in generally better conditions. Its advised to all masters to refuse directions from pilots that could lead to any allision to this fragile dock.

Should you have any question about this or any other matter, please don´t hesitate on contacting us.

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