

Venepandi´s Circular -008 – Street riots and protests affecting the maritime activities

Since February 4th 2014, protests commenced all over the Venezuelan territory including the cities and locations next to all ports affecting the maritime activities due increase of violence during street riots.



With a total of 6 protesting people dead, hundreds of hurt people and around 400 detainees accounted until today, we've noted an increase of the violence on the streets all over the Venezuelan territory due the protest convoked by the students and followed by other sectors and the actions taken by the government in order to stop the protests. The violence peak takes place usually at night when military and armed paramilitary groups attempts to repress the protests causing clashes between the people protesting who defend themselves by blocking the streets as you may note in the image above and their opponents.

Although this situation hasn't reached the inner ports areas, the maritime activities are being affected given the difficulty of the shore transport and trucks to reach the ports and the problems the ports personnel are having to access the ports in addition to the people that have decided to remain within their houses leaving their jobs unattended.

This affectation also includes surveyors of all kinds who are experiencing difficulties to reach the ports areas even if their assistance is required on an urgent

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basis for which we would recommend club's and members to take precautions in case surveyor's assistance is required due any reason if possible.

Should you have any further question, please don't hesitate on contacting us.

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