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Fire-Fighting and SAR Operations for Wan Hai 503 Continue

Fire-fighting operations are ongoing onboard the Singapore-registered container vessel Wan Hai 503, off the coast of India. Two additional fire-fighting vessels deployed by the Indian authorities and the vessel owner are scheduled to arrive onsite this evening to support the ongoing response.

- 2. The 18 crew who were earlier rescued have safely arrived at New Mangalore Port. Six injured crew have been transferred to a shore medical facility. Three have since been discharged.
- 3. Search and rescue (SAR) operations are ongoing to locate the four missing crew. Aerial surveillance is also being conducted in support of the SAR efforts.
- 4. MPA has been working with the vessel's classification society and the Indian authorities to provide technical information to support the Indian authorities' ongoing efforts to stabilise the situation and manage the fire. This includes information to guide fire containment measure, assess fire conditions onboard, and monitor the vessel's stability.
- 5. MPA is monitoring the situation in close coordination with the Indian authorities, including supporting the assessment of the vessel's structural integrity and the potential for environmental impact.
- 6. Updates will be provided when further information becomes available.

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