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To the Members

Conflicts in Ukraine (No.10)

We would like to report the latest updates in Ukraine and Russia. As to the former relative information, please refer to our Japan P&I News No.1166 dated 19 April 2022.

Ukraine:

Martial law still has been introduced in Ukraine and there is a curfew. All Ukrainian Ports are closed. Sea mines are drifting in the Black Sea.

Russia:

The same as before, Russian ports continue their normal operations, but the local correspondents report that the Azov Sea, a North-east area of Black Sea and near to Crimea Bridge are closed for navigation. On 4 April 2022, the Joint War Committee (JWC) added Russia's waters to its list of areas deemed high risk in addition to Ukrainian and Russian waters in the Azov Sea and Black Sea.

Sanctions applied to some of Russian banks by the US, EU and UK. These countries are still restricting the sale, supply, transfer or export of military goods, dual-use goods, critical industry goods and technology. On 21 April 2022, the UK announced further trade sanctions against Russia – expanding the list of products facing import bans and increasing tariffs.

The EU adopted a fifth package of sanctions on Russia. All EU ports are closed for Russian-flagged vessels.

Japan is restricting the sale, supply, transfer or export of critical industry goods to Russia and importation of alcohol, woods and machineries from Russia.

Please note that the change of local situation is so unforeseeable, that the above is to be updated accordingly. It is highly recommended for members to check the latest information at the time of vessel's calling through local agents in Ukraine.

Yours faithfully,

The Japan Ship Owners' Mutual Protection & Indemnity Association