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Subject Cruise vessel the WESTERDAM (IMO 9226891)

Dear sir, madam,

With reference to the letter of the National Coordination Centre for Communicable Disease Control (LCI), 016/2020 LCI/AT/HvdK/SF, I would like to add the following.

We would urge any Port State or other relevant Authorities to prioritize this situation while the management of the operating company Holland America Line to which the cruise vessel WESTERDAM belongs, is arranging its next port of call. The ship is currently held at sea for an extended period of time, which is likely to significantly impact the wellbeing of all persons on board, including the provision of food and other necessary supplies.

Best Regards,

Team leader Shipping certification and coordination, Department Human environment and shipping licensing,

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