

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, BREAKING UP, ETC.

Ship's Name SS/MS "AKTI"

Gross tons 1779

Date of Build 9-1946

Casualty notice

sent to Owners 22.12.65. Owners' Reply 4.1.66. Owners Lisboa Cia. Nav. S.A.

Details of classification

+ 100A1	+ LMC 9,65
with freeboard	BS M8,65
Str. nav. ice	sp 8,65
8,65	ts 3,63 CL
ss 9,65	

Details of casualty

This ship, which caught fire and was beached at Elbehaven, Europoort, has been declared a constructive total loss.

The owners concur.

Date of casualty 17th October, 1965.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

AKTI. — Maassluis, Oct. 17. — Greek steamer Akti, on fire, arrived in the Nieuwe Waterweg on Oct. 17 in tow tugs Vikingbank, Schouwenbank, Moombank and Azie and salvage vessel Dolfijn.

Rotterdam, Oct. 17. — Greek steamer Akti, from Assab, arrived in the Nieuwe Waterweg on Oct. 17 with fire in cargo, said to be expellers. Vessel towed to Europoort, where fire brigade still combating fire by water application.

Hook of Holland, Oct. 17. — Greek steamer Akti, from Ethiopia, listing and with a fire burning in a hold, was grounded by tugs near here to-day. All on board, including the master, were taken off the Akti while six fireboats attacked the flames. The fire, in a cargo of fishmeal and maize cakes, blew off a hold cover early to-day. Because flames were shooting above the deck, the master was at first denied permission to bring the ship into the port but after the fire was confined to the hold permission was granted to ground the Akti in the Elbehaven section of the harbour. (Later) The fire in the hold of the Akti was extinguished to-day. — Reuter.

AKTI. — Antwerp, Oct. 19. — Steamer Akti: At 8 30 a.m., Oct. 16, while on passage from Massowah to Rotterdam and Copenhagen, loaded with cargo of bagged niger seed expellers, oilcake, &c., smoke was noted emitting from No. 2 hold starboard ventilator. All ventilators were closed and steam-smothering applied. At 5 30 a.m., Oct. 17, an explosion took place in way of No. 2 hold, with subsequent fire. Crew fought fire with ship's appliances. At approximately 6 a.m., vessel anchored off Hook of Holland and requested assistance, which rendered by L. Smit & Company with two fireboats and four tugs. Vessel then taken into Elbehaven, Europoort, beached and fire-fighting continued. During the extinguishing operations, vessel commenced listing to starboard and finally at 1 42 p.m., Oct. 17, vessel turned over on her beam ends. At 3 30 p.m., the fire was under control. Upon examination, vessel found to be lying on her starboard side, partially immersed in the water. Heavy buckling of port side shell and deck plating was noted extending from mid-length No. 1 hold to approximately mid-length of amidships accommodation, with heavy buckling of port side bridge superstructure steelwork, gutting of accommodation in way, &c. Assume that the starboard structure is damaged in a similar manner to the port. — Salvage Association's Surveyors. (See issue of Oct. 19.)

AKTI. — Rotterdam, Oct. 17. — Steamer Akti capsized but fire extinguished; crew safe. (See issue of Oct. 18.)

Maassluis, Oct. 17. — Steamer Akti was put aground in the Elbehaven, in Europoort, the harbour area in development opposite Hook of Holland, at about 1 p.m., Oct. 17. Akti capsized and at 7 15 p.m. fire was extinguished. Salvage vessel Potvis now standing by. All crew safely abandoned ship.

Suggested record "BEACHED AFTER FIRE 10,65"

Date of Committee

FRIDAY 14 JAN 1966

Minute

Beached after fire 10.65

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