

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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Date of writing this report 24th August 1936.

Vessel's Name Steel S.S. "Ariadne Pandelis"

of Piraeus

Tons Net 2781 Gross 4445

Built at Sunderland When 1910 8

Casualty notice sent to Owner

4/8/36 Owner's reply

Owner's Name Marmara S.S. Co. Ltd.

Address 19, Megaron Spyraiki, Piraeus, Greece.

Case previously before
Classing Committee.

Date
Last Minute

Particulars of Classification.
ss. Lot 2nd N°3 - 10.35
+100 A1 10.35
+LMC
MS 10.35
BS 4.35

Date of Casualty 19th June, 1936.

Précis of particulars of Casualty

This vessel arrived at Bahia on the 19th June with a dangerous fire in her bunkers.

Salvage operations were begun, but on account of frequent explosions it was found necessary to discontinue the work of discharging.

The vessel was then towed to Itaparica and beached.

Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association reported on the 25th June that following a big explosion the vessel capsized & was lying with starboard side under water.

The Salvage Association's Surveyor reported on the 28th June that the fire was still smouldering in all holds & bunkers. Owing to her sunken condition; the distance from Bahia & the absence of facilities, he confirmed the opinion that the salvage of the vessel was impracticable.

A casualty notice was sent to the Owners on the 4th August, but no reply has been received.

It was ascertained from Lloyd's per telephone, however, that the vessel has been accepted by the Underwriters as a total loss & all claims paid.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

ARIADNE PANDELI.—Bahia, June 19.
—Greek steamer Ariadne Pandeli reports that she has dangerous fire in bunkers. Vessel is expected to arrive 5 p.m.

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Bahia, June 19.—
Steamer Ariadne Pandeli has arrived here.

ARIADNE PANDELI.—Bahia, June 20.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Fire brigade worked on board during the night. Fire not yet extinguished, water still being played on it. Think the fire is under control. Will necessitate discharge of quantity of coal from port bunkers. Various deck plates badly damaged also, some bulge in topside plates.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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Bahia, June 22.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Port bunkers still burning, being discharged on deck; No. 2 hold also on fire, several explosions occurred. Discharging into lighters commenced on Sunday (June 21).—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

ARIADNE PANDELI.—Bahia, June 22.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Frequent explosions occurring, impossible to continue discharge. Surveyors and Captain of Port recommend beaching.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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ARIADNE PANDELI.—Bahia, June 23.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Quantity discharged 40 tons. Vessel towed to Itaparica and beached. After hold heating and smoking, fire spreading to cross bunker(s) starboard bunkers, accommodation and bridge burnt out, abandoned by the crew. Salvage operations suspended. No appliances here for salvage.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

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Bahia, June 24.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Pilot reported heeled over.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

ARIADNE PANDELI.—London, June 25.
—The following cable has been received from the master of the steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Deeply regret ship capsized after big explosion starboard side No. 2 hold. Ship lying with starboard side under.

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Bahia, June 25.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli, after tremendous explosion, apparently blowing out starboard side, thrown on beam ends. Port side now horizontal, 10 ft. above high water. Considered ship total loss. May save small amount of cargo through holes cut in port side, involving heavy expenses.—Lloyd's Agent per Salvage Association.

ARIADNE PANDELI.—Rio Janeiro, June 26.
—The following message was received by Wilsons to-day from their Bahia office: Steamer Ariadne Pandeli is resting on starboard side, port side ten feet above high water horizontal, position evidently starboard side blown out due to heavy explosion. Consider salvage of vessel impracticable.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

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ARIADNE PANDELI.—Bahia, June 28.
—Steamer Ariadne Pandeli: Fire smoulders in all holds and bunkers. Confirm unanimous opinion impracticable to save vessel or cargo due to sunken condition, distance from Bahia and absence of facilities. It is possible to save 500 tons of scrap steel, 1000 tons of damaged coal above water, but the cost is prohibitive.—Salvage Association's Surveyor.

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Suggested Record

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Date of Committee

TUE. 25 AUG 1936

Committee's Minute

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