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TO ALL SHIPOWNER CLIENTS

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WARNING – Cargo Receivers UNITED COMMODITIES at Monrovia, Liberia

It has been brought to our attention by the P&I correspondents, ETIC Sas / Africa P&I Services that the cargo receivers Messrs United Commodities, located in Monrovia, Liberia are presently being investigated for fraud in Liberia and are well-known for creating artificial shortages. ETIC is pressing on ship owners to ensure that they appoint a P&I surveyor to attend at the discharge, in order to be prepared to strongly protest against artificial cargo figures presented by the surveyors acting for United Commodities. United Commodities should not be given the opportunity to gain profit from ship owners by creating such artificial shortages and all care should be taken.

It would be advisable for ship owners when arranging fixtures to Monrovia to perform their due-diligence and check whether the cargo is being ultimately delivered to United Commodities.

Best regards,

The Loss Prevention Team