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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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## **FORCE MAJEURE**

**Dear Sirs!** 

Currently the weather situation on the whole Danube is rather bad.

Temperatures between -10 and -20°, very cold wind and storms cause closures and ice growth rapidly.

At the moment we have following restrictions:

Main

- partly blocked due to ice and officially closed

MDC
- completely blocked due to ice and officially closed

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Austrian Danube
- partly blocked due to ice and officially closed

Slovakian Danube - lock Gabcikovo officially closed

Serbian Danube - V.Gradiste officially closed and locks SIP1+2 blocked due to ice and expect

official closure soon

Bulgarian/

Romanian Danube - continuously increasing ice formations

Ukrainian Danube - completely blocked due to ice and officially closed

Due to this mentioned reasons we have to declare force majeure and have to stop the navigation and the loading program.

We expect no any improvement for the next 3 weeks but we will restart the operation as soon as an unhindered navigation is possible again.

With best regards

on behalf of

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