



Nordic American Tankers Limited (NYSE:NAT) – NAT involved in a rescue operation at sea

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Nordic American Tankers Limited ("NAT" or "the Company") announced today that one of its vessels performed a rescue operation in the Arabian Gulf, in the evening of January 25, 2016. A distressed ship was sinking and the NAT vessel made its way to the location. Within 30 minutes the crew, 12 seafarers, were successfully rescued. Our vessel promptly resumed its voyage and the rescued seafarers will be sent ashore when it is practical to do so.

The Company noted that the successful rescue of the seafarers is in harmony with long standing maritime traditions and is a credit to all involved, with particular emphasis on the efforts of our crew. This is the second time that one of our ships recently has been involved in a rescue operation. In September 2014 one of our vessels rescued 151 refugees in the Mediterranean.

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