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## HAITI: Violent disturbances

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Club correspondents E&M International Consulting have reported as follows:

*"The city of Port-Au-Prince, Capital of Haiti is currently undergoing a period of turmoil, as different sectors of the public have begun violent manifestations throughout the city. It seems these disturbances are politically rooted and are a direct response to the latest actions taken by the Haitian President Mr. Jovenel Moïse.*

*These disturbances have complicated everyday life in Haiti's capital, and have impacted maritime transport.*

*Port operations have been hindered due to the fact that stevedores cannot easily arrive to said installations, and cargo loading and discharge operations are being limited by the political manifestations.*

*Likewise other maritime related activities are being affected, such as the inspection of cargo and vessels performed by appointed surveyors.*

*In order to guarantee safe seafaring, as well as to protect your members interests and vessel crews, we recommend that you advise your members who typically call at the port of Port-Au-Prince of the ongoing manifestations and disturbances.*

*It is highly recommended for anyone in the nation to take shelter in order to avoid the violence being spread by the rioting parties.*

*Although the disturbances begun in the City of Port-Au-Prince, the same have spread to other parts of the country. These manifestations have not only affected the port of Port-Au-Prince, but have also hindered operations in the port of Laffiteau and the port of Cap Haitian.*

*Operations in all three (3) ports remain suspended until further notice, and any resumption will depend on the improvement of the conditions and cease of the riots.*

*We recommend that you advise any members who call at Port-Au-Prince, Laffiteau or Cap Haitian to avoid said ports or proceed with caution as the same remain without operations and therefore loading or discharging cargo at any of the three (3) will be limited".*

For vessels calling at Port au Prince, the Club recommends that seafarers do not go ashore during the period of these disturbances.

Steamship lists E&M International Consulting as correspondents in both Port au Prince, Haiti and Santo Domingo Dominican Republic. Their contact details are available on the Steamship App and [website](#)

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