

# Joint Statement on the first meeting of the UK-Uruguay Trade Dialogue

News story

Statement follows the first meeting of the UK's Trade Dialogue with Uruguay in Montevideo, 11 October 2022.



On 11 October 2022, the first meeting of the Trade Dialogue between Uruguay and the United Kingdom took place.

The first meeting of the trade dialogue is a milestone which renews and strengthens the historic economic relationship between both countries, creating a new space to modernise and deepen the bilateral relationship.

The principal aim of the trade dialogue is to promote trade and investment as tools for driving economic growth, to identify new opportunities to deepen our bilateral economic relationship with a focus on sustainable development, to showcase best practice for promoting transparency, and to exchange knowledge and improve competitiveness through innovation and sustainability.

During the meeting, the delegations discussed existing investments and the growth of our bilateral trade between the UK and Uruguay.

The discussion covered both countries' market access interests, with the aim of increasing opportunities for the quick, safe and transparent movement of goods and services.

Uruguay presented its priorities and highlighted opportunities for investment and bilateral cooperation in the renewable energy sector, particularly green hydrogen, and the UK presented information on public procurement.

Likewise, both parties agreed to continue to exchange information with the aim of advancing our bilateral trade relationship and promoting new opportunities for bilateral economic cooperation.

Both countries agreed to continue discussions on the issues covered and to take the required next steps with the aim of facilitating the growth of trade

and investment flows for our mutual benefit.

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## Foreign flagged ships detained in the UK during September 2022 under Paris MOU

During September, there were five new detentions of a foreign flagged vessel in a UK port.

1. In response to one of the recommendations of Lord Donaldson's inquiry into the prevention of pollution from merchant shipping, the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) publishes details of the foreign flagged vessels detained in UK ports under the Paris MOU regime each month.
2. The UK is part of a regional agreement on port state control known as the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control (Paris MOU) and information on all ships that are inspected is held centrally in an electronic database known as THETIS. This allows the ships with a high risk rating and poor detention records to be targeted for future inspection.
3. Inspections of foreign flagged ships in UK ports are undertaken by surveyors from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency. When a ship is found to be not in compliance with applicable convention requirements, deficiencies may be raised. Depending on the inspection findings, the vessel may be liable for detention in these cases.

Notes on the list of detentions:

- Full details of the ship:

The accompanying detention list shows ship's International Maritime Organisation (IMO) number which does not change throughout the ship's life and uniquely identifies it. It also shows the ship's name and flag state at the time of its inspection.

The company shown in the vessel's Safety Management Certificate (SMC) or if there is no SMC, then the party otherwise believed to be responsible for the operation of the ship at the time of inspection.

The list shows the classification society responsible for classification of the ship only.

Responsible for conducting the statutory surveys and issuing statutory certificates on behalf of the flag state.

The deficiencies listed are those marked as Grounds for Detention. Further details of other deficiencies can be provided on request.

## **SHIPS DETAINED IN SEPTEMBER 2022**

### **Vessel Name: NORMAND NAVIGATOR**

GT: 15008

IMO: 9687356

Flag: Norway (white list)

Company: Solstad Shipping AS

Classification society: DNV

Recognised organisation: DNV

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: DNV

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: DNV

Date and place of detention: 03 September 2022 at Blyth.

Summary: Thirteen deficiencies with three grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
07105 – Fire doors/openings in fire-resisting divisions	Not as required	Yes
04121 – Crew familiarization with Emergency Systems	Not as required	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was released 14 September.

### **Vessel Name: HALLEY**

GT: 26833

IMO: 9275062

Flag: Liberia (white list)

Company: Conbulk Shipmanagement Corp

Classification society: American Bureau of Shipping

Recognised organisation: American Bureau of Shipping and Bureau Veritas

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: BV

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: American Bureau of Shipping

Date and place of detention: 08 September 2022 at Southampton

Summary: Twenty-Two with three grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
11101 – Lifeboats	Inoperative	Yes
04114 – Emergency source of power – Emergency generator	Inoperative	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was released 11 September 2022.

### **Vessel Name: AMO**

GT: 16801

IMO: 9134622

Flag: Mongolia (grey list)

Company: Balo Ulasim VE Turizm Tic Ltd

Classification society: Polski Rejestr Statkow (Polish Register of Shipping)

Recognised organisation: Dutch Lloyd

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: Dutch Lloyd

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: Dutch Lloyd

Date and place of detention: 24 September 2022 at Teesport.

Summary: Twenty-two deficiencies with two grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
11104- Rescue Boats	Not ready for use	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was still detained 30 September 2022.

### **Vessel Name: CLYDE**

GT: 42011

IMO: 9269245

Flag: Panama (white list)

Company: V Ships Asia Group Pte Ltd

Classification society: Lloyd's Register

Recognised organisation: Lloyds Register

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: Lloyds Register

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: Lloyds Register

Date and place of detention: 24 September 2022 at Royal Portbury.

Summary: Twenty-Five deficiencies with four grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
11104 – Rescue Boats	Not Properly Maintained	Yes
11113 – Launching arrangements for rescue boats	Not as required	Yes
04114 – Emergency source of power – Emergency generator	Inoperative	Yes
07125 – Evaluation of crew performance (fire drills)	Lack of familiarity	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was still detained 30 September 2022.

### **Vessel Name: MERIC**

GT: 2035

IMO: 9118006

Flag: Palau (Grey list)

Company: Meric Wind Maritime & Trading

Classification society: Bureau Veritas

Recognised organisation: Bureau Veritas and Phoenix Register of Shipping

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: Phoenix Register of Shipping

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: Phoenix Register of Shipping

Date and place of detention: 30 September 2022 at Newport (Gwent).

Summary: Twenty-seven deficiencies with three grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
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<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
10127 – Voyage or passage plan	Missing	Yes
07125 – Evaluation of crew performance (fire drills)	Lack of familiarity	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was still detained 30 September 2022.

## **DETENTIONS CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS MONTHS**

### **Vessel Name: SEA HARMONY**

GT: 2481

IMO: 8914166

Flag: Barbados (white list)

Company: Fehn Ship Management

Classification society: RINA Services S.p. A

Recognised organisation: RINA Services S.p. A and Lloyds Register

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: Lloyds Register

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: RINA Services S.p. A

Date and place of detention: 30th August 2022 at Belfast.

Summary: Eight deficiencies with three grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
07101 – Fire prevention structural Integrity	Not as required	Yes
07109 – Fixed fire extinguishing installation	Expired	Yes
18313- Cleanliness	Signs of Vermin's	Yes

This vessel was released 03 September 2022.

### **Vessel Name: LEV TWISTER**

GT: 2295

IMO: 8302088

Flag: Germany (white list)

Company: INNOVEN Marineservice GmbH

Classification society: Lloyd's Register

Recognised organisation: Lloyd's Register

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: (DOC Issued by Flag)

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: (SMC Issued by Flag)

Date and place of detention: 26th August 2022 at Harwich.

Summary: Twenty-seven deficiencies with four grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
11124- Embarkation arrangement survival craft	Missing	Yes
07110- Firefighting equipment and appliances	Inoperative	Yes
04103-Emergency, lighting batteries and switches	Insufficient	Yes
15150-ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was released 09 September 2022.

### **Vessel Name: MEDEMBORG**

GT: 6540

IMO: 9142514

Flag: Netherlands (white list)

Company: Favoriet Shipmanagement BV

Classification society: Bureau Veritas

Recognised organisation: Bureau Veritas and Lloyd's Register

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: Lloyds Register

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: Lloyds Register

Date and place of detention: 19th August 2022 at Avonmouth

Summary: Thirteen deficiencies with two grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
04114 – Emergency source of power – Emergency generator	Inoperative	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes

This vessel was released on 05 September 2022.

**Vessel Name: FORTUNE GLORY**

GT: 23235

IMO: 9234678

Flag: Hong Kong China (white list)

Company: Glory Intl Shipmanagement Co

Classification society: RINA Services S.p.A

Recognised organisation: RINA Services S.p.A

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: RINA Services S.p.A

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: RINA Services S.p.A

Date and place of detention: 18th August 2022 at Avonmouth

Summary: Forty – Five deficiencies with five grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes
11104- Rescue Boats	Not properly maintained	Yes
11104- Rescue Boats	Missing	Yes
07109- Fixed fire extinguishing installation	Not as required	Yes
07125 – Evaluation of Crew Performance (Fire Drills)	Lack of Training	Yes

This vessel was released 26 September 2022.

**Vessel Name: TORO**

GT: 23235

IMO: 9208124

Flag: Liberia (White list)

Company: Peninsula Energy FZE

Classification society: Bureau Veritas

Recognised organisation: Bureau Veritas

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: Bureau Veritas

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: Bureau Veritas

Date and place of detention: 05 July 2022 at Royal Portbury.

Summary: Sixty – Nine deficiencies with twelve grounds for detention.

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
07111- Personal equipment for fire safety	Not as required	Yes
03102- Freeboard marks	Not as required	Yes
07125- Evaluation of crew performance (fire drills)	Lack of familiarity	Yes
10112- Electronic charts (ECDIS)	Not as required	Yes
10116 – Nautical publications	Missing	Yes
11122- Radio life-saving appliances	Batteries Expired	Yes
18314- Provisions quantity	Not as required	Yes
18316- Water, pipes, tanks	Not as required	Yes
11108 – Inflatable Liferafts	Insufficient	Yes
03104 – Cargo & Other Hatchways	Damaged	Yes
03108 – Ventilators, air pipes, casing	Not Properly Maintained	Yes
01201 – Certificates for Master and Officers	Missing	Yes

This vessel was still detained 30th September 2022.

**Vessel Name: SHEARWATER**

GT: 342

IMO: 6822216

Flag: Comoros (Black list)

Company: No ISM Company as under 500GT

Classification society: N/A

Recognised organisation: International Register of Shipping

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: N/A Under 500GT

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: N/A Under 500GT

Date and place of detention: 30th June 2022 at Leith

Summary: Seven deficiencies with four grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
07109- Fixed fire extinguishing installation	Not as required	Yes
07113- Fire pumps and its pipes	Inoperative	Yes
07113- Fire pumps and its pipes	Inoperative	Yes
11104- Rescue boats –	Insufficient	Yes

This vessel was still detained on 30th September 2022.

**Vessel Name: POSEIDON**

GT: 1412

IMO: 7363217

Flag: Iceland

Company: Neptune EHF

Classification society: N/A

Recognised organisation: N/A

Recognised organisation for ISM Doc: DNV

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: DNV

Date and place of detention: 19th July 2018 at Hull

Summary: Ten deficiencies with five grounds for detention

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
02106 – Hull damage impairing seaworthiness	Holed	Yes
07113 – Fire pumps	Insufficient Pressure	Yes
01101 – Cargo Ship Safety Equipment (including exemption)	Missing	Yes
01102 – Cargo Ship Safety Construction (including exemption)	Missing	Yes
01104 – Cargo Ship Safety Radio (including exemption)	Missing	Yes

This vessel was still detained on 30th September 2022.

**Vessel Name: TECOIL POLARIS**

GT: 1814

IMO No: 8883290

Flag: Russian Federation (Grey list) at the time of detention

Company: Tecoil Shipping Ltd

Classification society: RMRS

Recognised organisation: RMRS

Recognised organisation for ISM DOC: RMRS

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: RMRS

Date and place of detention: 6th June 2018 at Immingham

Summary: Twenty-seven deficiencies with six grounds for detentions

<b>Defective item</b>	<b>Nature of defect</b>	<b>Ground for Detention</b>
10105 – Magnetic compass	Inoperative	Yes
10104 – Gyro compass	Inoperative	Yes
11129 – Operational readiness of lifesaving appliances	Not as required	Yes
10127 – Voyage or passage plan	Not as required	Yes
15150 – ISM	Not as required	Yes
11104 – Rescue boats	Not properly maintained	Yes
11101 – Lifeboats	Not ready for use	Yes
01117 – International Oil Pollution Prevention (IOPP)	Invalid	Yes

This vessel was still detained on 30th September 2022.

### **Vessel Name: CIEN PORCIENTO**

GT: 106

IMO No: 8944446

Flag: Sweden (White list)

Company: Open Window Inc

Classification society: Unclassed

Recognised organisation: N/A

Recognised organisation for ISM DOC: N/A

Recognised organisation for ISM SMC: N/A

Date and place of detention: 4 March 2010, Lowestoft

Summary: Thirty deficiencies including seven grounds for detention

This vessel was still detained on 30th September 2022.

For further information please contact

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## [Sex offender receives increased sentence after referral to the Court of Appeal](#)

Press release

Haydn Carter has sentence increased after ULS referral



A man who sexually abused a child has had his jail term increased after the case was referred to the Court of Appeal for being unduly lenient.

Haydn Carter, now 47, abused the teenager on at least 6 occasions between 2000 and 2002.

On 5 July 2022, at Guildford Crown Court, he was sentenced to 3 years and 6 months' imprisonment for two offences of indecent assault.

Following the sentencing, his case was referred to the Court of Appeal under the Unduly Lenient Sentence scheme.

On 13 October 2022, the Court found his original sentence to be unduly lenient and increased it to 7 years' imprisonment.

Speaking after the hearing, the HM Solicitor General Michael Tomlinson MP said:

"Over a two-year period, Carter repeatedly abused a vulnerable young person causing immeasurable damage to her.

"I welcome this increased sentence which better reflects the harm caused. It sends a clear message that sexual offences will not be tolerated and will be

addressed with robust punishment.”

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## [Report from the Head of OSCE Mission in Kosovo: UK response, October 2022](#)

I would like to welcome Ambassador Davenport back to the Permanent Council. Thank you to you and your team for this comprehensive report, which provides a helpful summary of developments and activities over the reporting period.

The UK highly appreciates the work of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo, its close engagement with government institutions, municipalities, and civil society, and its delivery of important initiatives across the three core pillars of its mandate.

In particular, I would highlight the Mission’s work in contributing to the development of government strategies on Preventing and Countering Terrorism, and on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Communities. We also commend the work of the Mission in supporting reviews of 22 draft legal and policy documents for compliance with international human rights standards; and in launching the “Protection of Cultural Heritage in Kosovo” Report in July. The UK also particularly values the Mission’s important ongoing work to implement activities focused on tackling domestic and gender-based violence.

The UK notes the increased tensions in late July – highlighted in the Report – around the introduction of new measures on car number plates, and entry and exit documentation. The UK welcomes the subsequent agreement between Serbia and Kosovo on ID documentation, which we strongly support. We continue to encourage both parties to engage constructively to resolve outstanding issues, and to refrain from any inflammatory rhetoric which may increase tensions between communities and reduce the chances of constructive progress.

The UK – alongside our international partners – continues to strongly support the EU-facilitated Dialogue between Serbia and Kosovo, and the need for a comprehensive, conclusive, legally binding agreement, which is acceptable to the citizens of both countries and will deliver long-term benefits to them and to the whole region. We value the continued work of EU Special Representative Miroslav Lajčák, including through his visit to Pristina and Belgrade on the 9th of September, outlined in detail in this Report.

Mr Chair, the United Kingdom remains a long-standing and strong supporter of Kosovo as an independent and sovereign state. In this context, we value and appreciate the Mission’s renewed commitment to its work to strengthen Kosovo’s institutions.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you, Ambassador Davenport, for your leadership of the OSCE Mission in Kosovo during this reporting period, and your team for their continued commitment, hard work and expertise.

Thank you, Mr Chair.

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## Director of Pembroke restaurant company banned for seven years

Abul Kalam, 48, from Birmingham, has been disqualified as a company director for seven years after being unable to explain over £400,000 of his restaurant's income and expenditure after his business folded, including £35,000 he claimed through the Bounce Back Loan (BBL) scheme during the Covid pandemic.

Abul Kalam was the sole director of Choose Chilli Ltd which ran Mehfil's restaurant in Pembroke's Main Street shopping arcade until 2021.

During the Covid lockdown in 2020, Choose Chilli Ltd applied for and received a £25,000 Bounce Back Loan. These were government-backed loans introduced to support businesses impacted by the pandemic. The company received a further £10,000 top-up BBL in March 2021 but ceased trading and went into voluntary liquidation in July 2021, owing almost £70,000.

Investigators at the Insolvency Service discovered that both the £25,000 BBL payment and the £10,000 top-up loan had been transferred into a bank account in Kalam's name the day after the money had arrived in Choose Chilli's bank account.

Under the rules of the BBL scheme, money borrowed had to be used for the economic benefit of the business but Kalam provided no evidence that any of the £35,000 had been used to support Choose Chilli, and the amount remained outstanding when the restaurant went into liquidation.

On further investigation, the company's bank account showed that more than £178,000 – in addition to the BBL money – was paid into the restaurant and more than £241,000 was separately paid out between December 2019 and July 2021 – a period that included extended Covid lockdowns and restrictions.

Kalam was unable to prove that the transactions were legitimate sales and business expenditure, as he had failed to retain adequate invoices or records to verify the amounts.

The restaurant-owner's inadequate book-keeping meant investigators were also unable to establish how much money was owed to HMRC in tax and national insurance.

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy accepted a disqualification undertaking from Abul Kalam, after he didn't dispute that he had caused Choose Chilli Ltd to obtain a Bounce Bank Loan and a BBL top-up loan totalling £35,000 and failed to ensure the funds were used for the economic benefit of Choose Chilli's business, which was a breach of the terms of the BBL.

He also didn't dispute he had failed to ensure Choose Chilli kept adequate accounting records – a legal duty of company directors.

His disqualification is effective from 30 September 2022 and will last for seven years.

The disqualification undertaking prevents Kalam from directly, or indirectly, becoming involved in the promotion, formation or management of a company, without the permission of the court.

Lawrence Zussman, Deputy Head of Company Investigations at the Insolvency Service, said:

Abul Kalam has justifiably been removed from the business environment for a significant period and his disqualification should serve as a reminder to others that the Insolvency Service will not hesitate in taking appropriate action.

## Notes to editors

Abul Kalam's date of birth is July 1974.

Choose Chilli Ltd (Company Reg no. 09903418). The Company traded as Choose Chilli.

A disqualification order has the effect that without specific permission of a court, a person with a disqualification cannot:

- act as a director of a company
- take part, directly or indirectly, in the promotion, formation or management of a company or limited liability partnership
- be a receiver of a company's property

Disqualification undertakings are the administrative equivalent of a disqualification order but do not involve court proceedings.

Persons subject to a disqualification order are bound by a [range of other restrictions](#).

The Insolvency Service administers the insolvency regime, investigating all compulsory liquidations and individual insolvencies (bankruptcies) through the Official Receiver to establish why they became insolvent. It may also use powers under the Companies Act 1985 to conduct confidential fact-finding investigations into the activities of live limited companies in the UK. In

addition, the agency authorises and regulates the insolvency profession, deals with disqualification of directors in corporate failures, assesses and pays statutory entitlement to redundancy payments when an employer cannot or will not pay employees, provides banking and investment services for bankruptcy and liquidation estate funds and advises ministers and other government departments on insolvency law and practice.

Further information about the work of the Insolvency Service, and how to complain about financial misconduct, is [available](#).

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