



U.S. COAST GUARD WITNESS STATEMENT FORM

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Witness Name: Employer Name:

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Phone No.: Phone No.:

Position: License/Doc. #

I, the undersigned, make the following statement voluntarily, without threat, duress or promise of reward.

-22-15 DEC 23rd 2021 - MIMDAY CALL MADE FROM YACHT UTOPIA 4 NO FURTHER INFORMATION TRANSMITTED. A FEW MINUTES LATER 2ND MAYDAY CALL IS MADE FROM UTOPIA 4 NO OTHER INFORMATION TRANSMITTED.
AMARA BRIDGE CALLS UTOPIA 4 VHF CH 16 AND ANSWERS MAYDAY CALL
"I AM NE OF YOUR POSITION AND TURNING COURSE TOWARDS YOU TO ASSIST"
AMARA CREW MUSTERS READY TO ASSIST WITH MAYDAY SCENE
3RD MAYDAY FROM UTOPIA 4 'COLLISION BETWEEN UTOPIA 4 AND ANOTHER VESSEL' VESSEL NAME NOTED 'PERSONS IN THE WATER'
BAHAMIAN COAST GUARD ANSWERED THE MAYDAY CALL
AMARA CREW USED FLIR / SONARLIGHTS / BINOCULARS APPROACHING THE MAYDAY SCENE. REDUCED SPEED TO SLOW AND AWAY.
AMARA BRIDGE MADE CONTACT WITH UTOPIA 4 BRIDGE ON VHF, 'AMARA APPROACHING THE SCENE, CREW MUSTED AND READY TO ASSIST, HOW CAN WE HELP'
THE NIGHT WAS CLOTH, GOOD MOON LIGHT, FEW CLOUDS, GOOD LIGHT BEAM UTOPIA 4 DECK + UN LIGHTS. AMARA UN LIGHTS ON THE DECK LIGHTS ON, SONARLIGHTS ON. NO USE OF FWD DECK LIGHTS.
MIMDAY CALL FROM UTOPIA 4 (YACHT) 'COLLISION WITH ANOTHER VESSEL WHICH WAS UNLIT' (WORDS FROM UTOPIA 4)

I have read my statement as documented above (and, if applicable, on continuation pages), and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true and correct.

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SIGNATURE DATE

- 5 PERSONS ARE IN LIFEBOAT AND ONE PERSON HANGING ONTO BRIDGE RAILINGS OR TIE-UP BECCE.
- AMARA BRIDGE MONITORS MAYDAY - ADVISES UTOPIA WE ARE TOWING A TENDER. AMARA DISCONNECTS TENDER TO ASSIST ON SCENE WITH RECOVERY.
- AMARA INTERIOR CREW SETS UP ALL MEDICAL STATIONS ON MAIN DECK.
- AFTER RELEASING TT AMARA FROM TOW (35FT WATER TENDER) THREE AMARA CREW MAN TENDER AND BOATED TO SCENE. AT THIS POINT ALL VESSELS ARE VERY CLOSE TOGETHER. AMARA BRIDGE WAS MONITORING TB WITH SPOT LIGHTS.
- PHOTOS ATTACHED OF THE SCENE AS WE SAW IT ON ARRIVAL. TB WAS SUBMERGED EXCEPT FOR FOREDECK/BOW.
- MULTIPLE STROBE LIGHTS IN WATER PRESUME FROM LIFE JACKETS FROM TB (UNUSUAL JACKETS). DEBRIS IN WATER AND SHELL OF FUEL.
- N25°16'48" / W077°33'48" COLLISION POSITION AS FOUND ON AMARA ARRIVAL.
- MORE VHF COMM'S FROM UTOPIA 4 + BAHAMIAN CG. AMARA ASSISTED WITH RELAYS AND ONE OTHER VSL ASSISTED NM MAYDAY RELAYS. UTOPIA HAD PROBLEMS HEARING VHF.
- TT AMARA ON SCENE DIRECTLY TO TB BRIDGE WHICH WAS NOT THERE THEN AND LIFEBOAT + RESCUE BOAT (TB Rescuers)
- 7 PERSONS IN TOTAL TRANSFERRED FROM LIFEBOAT + RB TO TT AMARA. TB CREW CONFIRMED 7 WAS TOTAL ONBOARD PERSONS - NO ONE ELSE WAS MISSING FROM MUSTER



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- TB CREW ALL IN GOOD SPIRITS, NO INJURYS REPORTED TO TT AMARA CREW. NO SIGNS OF INJURY ON SCENE.
- THE CONDITIONS DIDNT FAVOR A TRANSFER OF TB CREW TO EITHER AMARA OR UTOPIA.
- AMARA CPT MADE DECISION TO TRANSFER TB CREW DIRECTLY ASURE VIA TTAMARA. IT WAS THE QUICKEST WAY TO GET THE CREW ABOARD AND START.
- AMARA CPT DIDNT KNOW EXTENT OF UTOPIA'S BOW DAMAGE.
- DEL 24M 00:30 AMARA + UTOPIA W MAKE WAY FOR NASSAU BAHAMAS.
- TT AMARA UNDERTAKING 3 CREW + 7 TB CREW FOR LYBIRD CITY MARINA.
- UTOPIA W VHF CALL TO AMARA - AMARA CPT ASKS ABOUT UTOPIA W/T INTEGRITY. UTOPIA 4 Reply's ' ONE CONFINEMENT FLOODED BUT WATER IS CONTAINED, GOOD TO PROCEED TO NASSAU ' AMARA CPT Reply's ' WE WILL STAY WITH YOU TO NASSAU '

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' DEC 26TH 01:15 UTOPIA 4 CALLS AMARA CRIS
' 3 COMPARTMENTS FLOODED, NOT SURE IF WE CAN
MAKE IT TO NASSAU '

AMARA CRIS CLOSES DISTANCE TO UTOPIA 4 AND
SHADOWS THEM BACK TO NASSAU CHANNEL CLOSELY.

BAHAMIAN COAST GUARD NOW REGULARLY ON VHF TO
UTOPIA 4 .

UTOPIA 4 MAKES IT TO NASSAU CRUISE SHIP TERMINAL
TO DOCK.

DEC 26TH 02:40

AMARA CALLS UTOPIA 4 AND ADVISES WE ARE
DEPARTING SCENE TO MEET UP WITH TT AMARA
AT/OFF LYBROD CAY THEN ANCHORING ON SOUTH
SIDE OF NASSAU.

UTOPIA 4 REPLAYS 'THANKS FOR YOUR HELP'

03:00 AMARA + AMARA TENDER MEET UP
AND MAKE WAY FOR ALBANY ANCHORAGE

TB CRON TAKEN TO POLICE STATION FROM LYBROD CAY.

N.B.

TIME MIGHT BE OF HERE OR THERE I WOULD NEED
TO CUCUM LST.