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### Press Release 4/15

The Federal Bureau of Maritime Casualty Investigation (BSU) hereby gives notice that the Interim Investigation Report 42/15 was published on 5 February 2016. The report deals with the very serious marine casualty involving the fatal accident of an able bodied seaman on board the MV ASKOE.

Upon request the report will be forwarded. Alternatively this report – as well as all previous reports – is available on the website <http://www.bsu-bund.de> and can be downloaded.

#### Short version

At about 0700 on Monday, 6 February 2015, the MV ASKOE sailing under the flag of Antigua & Barbuda, was en route from Denmark to Sweden, in German territorial waters.

At this time, an able bodied seaman went missing and the crew searched for him.

He was ultimately found lifeless hanging headlong in a cargo hold access hatch.

Attempt at resuscitation after his recovery did not succeed.

The vessels command decided to call at the nearest port, the port of Rostock. The deceased able bodied seaman

was taken ashore, and the vessel continued her voyage next morning.

The Interim Investigation Report was published on 5 February 2016 by the Federal Bureau of Maritime Casualty Investigation and is available on [www.bsu-bund.de](http://www.bsu-bund.de).