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The Federal Bureau of Maritime Casualty Investigation (BSU) published the Interim Investigation Report No. 44/16 on 6 September 2016. The report deals with the foundering of the fishing vessel CONDOR resulting in the death of both crewmembers. The Interim Investigation Report provides information on the subject and the current state of the investigation. This report – as well as all previous reports – is available on the website <http://www.bsu-bund.de> and can be downloaded.

Very serious marine casualty – foundering of the fishing vessel CONDOR east of Fehmarn

On 6 February 2016, the German fishing vessel CONDOR foundered about 3.5 nm east of the island of Fehmarn. Both crewmembers drowned in the Baltic Sea. The fishing vessel was raised on 7 March 2016 on behalf of the Federal Bureau of Maritime Casualty Investigation, taken to the buoy yard Rostock/Hohe Düne and placed on the pier. In the following month the BSU

carried out an extensive investigation on the fishing vessel with the assistance of external experts.

In addition to the question as to why the fishing vessel foundered without external impact it had to be clarified why the life raft onboard the fishing vessel did not inflate and was thus not available as a safety appliance for both crewmembers. The

investigation of the BSU could meanwhile be concluded. The investigation report will be published soon.

First of all the public should be informed about the state of the investigation by issuing an Interim Investigation Report. The report can be downloaded at www.bsu-bund.de