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Dansk

Der har været fremsat forskellige påstande i medierne, deriblandt om at Shipcraft ikke arbejder målrettet på at få vores kolleger frigivet. Disse påstande er usande. Vi har siden januar med rådgivning fra velrenommerede rådgivere og i samarbejde med alle relevante involverede, deriblandt myndighederne, forhandlet med piraterne for hurtigst muligt at få vores besætning frigivet.

De nærmeste pårørende holdes løbende informeret om udviklingen i overensstemmelse med etableret praksis for, hvor detaljeret information der kan tilgå uden for cirklen bestående af ledelsen, sikkerhedsrådgivere og myndigheder. Det er også af hensyn til vores kollegers sikkerhed, at vi ikke kan udtale os om, hvad der sker i de igangværende forhandlinger med piraterne, da det kan have negative konsekvenser for det videre forløb.

Vores kolleger lider under et umenneskeligt pres, psykisk såvel som fysisk. Den intense mediedækning kan forhale forhandlingsprocessen og derved udsætte vores besætning for yderligere pres. Vi håber inderligt, at pressen af hensyn til vores kolleger vil respektere dette. Jeg kan imidlertid forsikre, at vi gør alt, hvad der står i vores magt for at få vores kolleger hjem fra deres grusomme fangenskab så hurtigt som muligt.

Venlig hilsen
Claus Bech

English

There has been speculations in the press amongst others that Shipcraft is not working relentlessly towards the release of our colleagues. These allegations are not true. Shipcraft has since January - and with the advice from renowned security advisors and in close consultation with all relevant parties, amongst others the appropriate authorities - been negotiating for the fastest possible release of our crew.

During all this time close relatives have been duly informed in accordance with well-established practice as to how much details can be disclosed outside the circle of management, security advisors and authorities. In consideration of the safety of our crew we are not in a position of sharing the development of our negotiations with the public as this could have a negative impact on the progress.

Our colleagues are under unbelievable pressure, mentally as well as physically. The intense media coverage may delay the negotiation process, thereby exposing our crew to more pressure. We sincerely hope that the press in the interest of

our colleagues will respect this. In the meantime, I can ensure that we are doing our very utmost to get our valued colleagues back home from the cruel captivity as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Claus Bech