



## Press Release

Giuseppe Bottiglieri Shipping Company Spa is glad to inform that in the night between the 14th and the 15th April 2011 the *M/T Alessandra Bottiglieri* was released.

The tanker, flying the Italian flag, has been in the hands of the pirates for about 48 hours, while she was outside the port of Cotonou (Benin, West Africa), where she was waiting to discharge her gasoline cargo.

All the 22 crew members (6 Italians and 16 Indians) are in good health conditions and they stayed in constant telephone contact with the shipowners who kept their families informed.

The company is very pleased with the positive and quick conclusion of the emergency and takes this opportunity to express its gratitude to Mr Raffaele Cardillo, Master of the *M/C Alessandra Bottiglieri* and to all her crew and their families, to all the authorities involved, to the crisis unit of Farnesina, to Admiral Brusco and to all his staff at the Italian Coast Guard General Command, to the consular body active in West Africa and to all its own staff working in Naples' office.

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