

JTSB Safety Recommendation to Panama Maritime Authority  
(As the flag state administration of the cargo vessel “XIN HAI ZHOU 2”)

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28th March, 2024

The Marine Accident (Grounding) of the Cargo Vessel “XIN HAI ZHOU 2” Off the northwest of Taketomi Island, Taketomi Town, Okinawa Prefecture, Japan on 24th January, 2023

In view of the results of this accident investigation, the Japan Transport Safety Board recommends that the Panama Maritime Authority, as the flag state of XIN HAI ZHOU 2, take the following measures for the purpose of preventing the recurrence of similar accidents and reducing damage.

The Panama Maritime Authority should instruct GRAND VOYAGE MARINE CO.,LTD. to ensure the appropriate and continual implementation of the following recommendation which is separately provided to them by the Japan Transport Safety Board.

*“GRAND VOYAGE MARINE CO., LTD. should carry out, in accordance with the safety actions established after the accident, appropriately and continuously to enhance supervision and support of their management vessels when encountering a stormy weather, and to implement education and training for masters and other crew members.”*