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Subject: New fines

Please note that the local Harbour Master Office very recently sent emails to ship's agents for alleged "*vessel shifting of "x" meters without prior authorization or notification of Port Control*" while pointing out that on the one hand this would "*constitute a breach of port regulations*" and on the other hand advising that a fine would be imposed. They usually want to impose a fine of USD 10,000.

As a matter of facts, they can also allege that a ship "*move towards another ship by lines without permission endangering vessel and port infrastructure*".

We do recommend that a surveyor be appointed to make the necessary ascertainments to then be able to challenge the said fine.

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