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Your Excellency,

I write further to my letter of 19 September in my capacity as the CEO of London P&I Club, the liability insurer of the *X-Press Pearl*.

Firstly, I was relieved to note that in relation to the ongoing matter of the Supreme Court's judgement, on 26 September, the court wisely recognised that this issue would not be resolved by imprisoning the ship's agents or the master. In your role as President, and mindful of your responsibility for ensuring the constitutional separation of powers, I would humbly ask that you continue to advocate, Your Excellency, for non-custodial measures, in the case of the agents and the master, whilst this matter continues.

Secondly, to this date, we have struggled to open a dialogue with the Attorney General in relation to the July judgement, and humbly request your support in facilitating a discussion. We stand ready to meet with him, or any other government official that you nominate, to discuss a potential way forward, without prejudice to liability and the ongoing legal rights and defences of the former owner and operator of the *X-Press Pearl*.

I remain, Yours faithfully



James Bean
CEO, London P&I Club