



Terrorist Iranian Act against the ORIZONT Romanian Offshore Drilling Rig Act

The Romanian personnel aboard the rig is in great danger

After having blocked illegally the Orizont rig, under Romanian flag, belonging to the Romanian company Grup Servicii Petroliere, in the Iranian waters. The authorities are trying, flagrant breach of all the international rules, to occupy the rig. Starting from yesterday 21 August, Iranian military helicopters and ships abuse from their force position, trying to intimidate the Romanian crew aboard the rig. The situation created by the Iranian authorities was further complicated this morning. At 9:15, Romanian time, an Iranian military cutter boat opened fire against the Orizont rig, in the stern crane. At 9:15, the rig was occupied by Iranian military troops, equipped with armament. Aboard the rig there is Romanian crew made up of 26 persons. Since 10:00 we have no contact with the crew. We do not know if anyone is hurt.

We are hereby requesting urgently the support to establish the contact with the crew aboard.

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