

Safety Alert

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Subject: Casing Operation at Offshore Facility

What Happened / Narrative

During casing lifting operations at an offshore facility an AB broke his leg. The AB had his leg caught under a bundle of casing while preparing for discharging to the installation. The incident occurred between 2 lifting operations and the ABs were in the process of preparing the slings for next lift.

It took about 15 minutes to release the AB from the casing.

The AB was conscious throughout the incident but complained about pain in his leg. A helicopter medevac was required for transport to shore.

Why Did it Happen / Cause

The position of the AB is shown on the pictures below, before/during the incident.

The slings were slack. This meant that the bundle of casing was not stable, allowing them to roll onto the AB's leg. The AB was standing close to the bundle when it moved, causing his leg to get caught.

Corrective Actions Taken / Recommendations

- Briefing held on-board and vessel returned to port where a full investigation was carried out
- Keep a safe distance to tubular cargoes as far as practically possible
- Use a hook or similar for sling handling when possible
- Ensure that tubular cargoes are properly secured to ensure stability

**Refer to GOMO Appendix 9-B, Transport of Tubular Cargoes for further information*

Photographs / Supporting Information



Before



After

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