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German-owned vessel with stranded workers no stranger to trouble

**Crew claims it's owed more than \$120,000 in outstanding wages**

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The issue of workers aboard a German-owned vessel being owed tens of thousands of dollars in wages is not a new one when it comes to the Jana.

The ship is docked in Argentina, with three Russians and eight Ukrainians left to survive on a few days' worth of fuel. It's alleged they, along with former crew members, are owed more than \$120,000 in outstanding wages.

According to Gerard Bradbury of the International Transport Workers Federation, a similar situation played out earlier this year with the Jana. At that time, workers were owed close to \$80,000 when it was docked in Halifax. The owner managed to pay them just before Transport Canada was set to detain the vessel.

Another vessel owned by the same company earlier this year was liquidated so workers could get home, he added.

"We're hoping that the same thing actually happens with this ship," Bradbury said.

A liquidation company has expressed some interest in the vessel.

The crew reportedly has less than a month's worth of provisions.

Bradbury said the vessel had some engine problems over the summer when it was in the vicinity of Marystown.

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