

# *News Around the World*

## *Oil Tanker near English coast*

On 18<sup>th</sup> January, an oil tanker called Napoli began to sink with its 3,500 tons of hydrocarbon. MSC Napoli iwa sinking because it had a serious structural failure and because it was taken in a storm.

MSC Napoli transported 2,394 containers too and it had lost 103 containers among witch 4 contained dangerous substances. 76 containers have been recovered and 4 others were dangerous ones.

The Napoli measures 275 m long and 37.18 m wide.

The risk of pollution was important because the blobs of oil around 50 cm diameter were found on the beach in Côtes-d'Armor in France and in the UK a lot of items (bikes, wines) were found near the beach.

The pumping operation began on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and the coastguard s rescued approximately 200 tons a day in the sea. On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> the recovery of containers began.

This accident is really dangerous for the environment because if this type of accident still happens the Channel could be polluted.

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