## **ABSTRACT**

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MV. African Forest is a general dry cargo heavy lift multipurpose vessel she was built on 2011 in China and she have four cargo hold and each cargo hold have a bulkhead to divide a cargo hold into forward cargo hold and aft cargohold. Correctly preparation for cargohold was an important factor for cargo operation, so that the cargo operation would running effective and efficient. A good strategy and coordination for preparation of cargohold caused the cargo operation would running correctly and smoothly, effective and efficient.

Theoritical basis used for this research based on supporting book with the title is kapal dan muatannya, the properties and stowage of cargoes, modern ship stowage, and seaman ship techniques. The researcher use problem analysis technique USG (Urgency, Seriousness, Growth) to determine the problem which becomes the most priority when execution preparation cargohold, so it to be found the problem solution. The researcher use the method of interview, observation, documentation and literature research as the data collection technique.

Based on the problem the conclusion is preparation of cargohold did not implemented correctly. To improve vessel operation for the preparation of cargohold correctly on MV. African Forest, some advice for crew member and company to make some schedule for preparation cargohold after finished discharged some cargo, improve detail accuracy when cleaned a cargohold and improve some cleaning equipment to clean cargohold and prepared cargohold correctly before started to load some cargo.

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