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At least 7 killed, 2 missing in northwestern Italy ship accident

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USPA News - At least seven people were killed and two remain missing after a ship crashed into a control tower in northwestern Italy, according to local media. The accident occurred overnight off Genoa, the capital of Italy`s northwestern region of Liguria, when a container ship crashed into the Genoa Port maritime traffic control tower, which had around fourteen personnel working inside at the time of the accident, the ANSA news agency reported.

The captain of the 655-foot, 40.5-ton Jolly Nero ship said the engines lost power and he lost control. While officials have admitted the possibility of mechanical failure, authorities said the ship`s black box was impounded in order to carry out manslaughter investigations. In addition to the seven fatal victims, four others were injured, but two others also remain missing. The ship was traveling toward Messina, as it should have not been in the area. Last year, at least 32 people were killed when the Costa Concordia cruise liner crashed off the coast of Tuscany.

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