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## Assessment of recommendation response from the Ministry of Defence

On 17 February 2025, the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority (SHK) published a final report (SHK 2025:03) concerning a grounding that occurred on 22 October 2023 in Northern Hanö Bay, Blekinge County.

In the report, SHK directed one safety recommendation at the Swedish Government (SHK 2025:03, R1).

The Government was recommended to

- Investigate how society's ability to deal with major shipping accidents can be enhanced. The investigation should, among other things, review the roles and responsibilities of the organisations concerned and the potential to share geographic information, as well as clarify responsibilities for the clean-up of oil following a shipping accident. An investigation of this nature should also include measures that can reduce the risk of shipping accidents due to disruptions or interruptions of GNSS. (SHK 2025:03 R1)

The Government Offices of Sweden has responded to the safety recommendation and described the action that has been taken, planned and is ongoing within the area in order to enhance society's ability to deal with major shipping accidents. SHK deems the safety recommendation to have been implemented (Concluded – satisfactory response).

**Best regards,**

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