

# HUMACAO

IMO No: 6708379 CONTAINER 1968 / 18764 GT

### COMPANY:

Navieras NPR Inc., USA

### YARD INFORMATION:

Sun Shipbuilding Co.  
Chester (USA)  
Type: C7 ship

### DEMOLITION:

Alang, 23/8/2002



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### BASIC DATA:

IMO No: 6708379  
Ex: AMERICAN LANCER Built: 1968  
Type: Container Status: Demolished  
Flag: United States  
DWT: 22,582 Draft: 9.80 Builder: Sun Shipbuilding  
GT: 19,046 LOA: 213.52 Owner: Navieras NPR Inc.  
Beam: 27.49 Speed/Cons: 21.50/- Class: AB  
Depth: 15.35 TEU: 1,258

### OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

HUMA since 01-06-2002  
Flag Date of record Source  
St Vincent and Grenadines since 01-06-2002  
United States of America before 2001  
Registered owner Date of record Source  
NPR NAVIERAS before 1980  
Ship manager Date of record Source  
NPR NAVIERAS during 06-1999

### EX-NAMES:

AMERICAN LANCER	1968-88	United States Lines, USA
HUMACAO	1988-02	Navieras NPR Inc., USA
HUMA	2002-02	, St Vincent and Grenadines

### GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:

The **Type C7 ship** (*Lancer Class*) is a [United States Maritime Administration](#) (MARAD) designation for a cargo ship and the first purpose-built [container ship](#). The vessels were constructed in US shipyards and entered service starting in 1968.[1] As US-built ships they are [Jones Act](#) qualified for shipments between US domestic ports. Under the Jones Act domestic US maritime trade is restricted to US-built and flagged vessels of US owners and manned by predominantly US-citizen crews. As of 2012 several C7 vessels remain in service and represent the dwindling number of ships which are still steam powered.[2] Four of these vessels are container ships operated by [Horizon Lines](#) and four are of the vehicle Roll-on/Roll-off (RO/RO) configuration held in the [Ready Reserve Force](#), National Defense Reserve Fleet.[3]

## United States Lines C7-S-68 Series

Eight Type C7-S-68 ships were built by [Sun Shipbuilding](#) for the [United States Lines](#) and entered service from 1968 to 1971. Upon the bankruptcy and dissolution of the company the ships were sold to other carriers. The design proved very reliable as all of the *Lancer Class* vessels operated until at least 2002. As of 2012 two remain in active service.<sup>[4][5]</sup>

MA Hull #	MA Design	Original Name	Shipyard Hull #	GT	DWT	Delivery	IMO	Later Names	Fate
184	C7-S-68c	<i>American Lancer</i>	640	18,764	22,225	1968	IMO 6708379	<i>Humacao</i>	Scrapped 2002 <sup>[6]</sup>

<http://www.answers.com/topic/type-c7-ship>

2002: **The HUMACAO, built 1966 (?), 22,582 Dwt, 1,258 TEU, was one of the world's first purpose-built, fully cellular container carriers** ever to see the light of day. **It was delivered from the Chester, PA shipyard of Sun Shipbuilding 36 years ago as the AMERICAN LANCER** and was the first US-flag purpose-built boxship. AMERICAN LANCER criss-crossed the oceans with its seven sisters before being **sold to Puerto Rican interests in 1988**, following the bankruptcy of United States Lines a year or so earlier. In later years **HUMACAO has been running for Navieras NPR of Edison, NJ on its US East Coast/Puerto Rico operation. Now she will hit the beaches of Alang for a mere \$139 per light tonne.**

([www.cotzias.gr/reports/COTZIAS\\_2002\\_06\\_JUN.pdf](http://www.cotzias.gr/reports/COTZIAS_2002_06_JUN.pdf))

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