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Jeremy Paner Discusses U.S. Actions Against Tankers Near Venezuela

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Dec. 29, 2025 – Jeremy Paner spoke to [The New York Times](#) about the implications of [President Donald Trump's recent actions against tankers near Venezuela](#), including the seizure of a vessel called Skipper and the detention of another called Centuries.

The article focuses on the impact of the U.S.' actions on maritime law, noting that while countries have authority to seize vessels in their territorial waters, policing international waters can be difficult.

"The federal terrorism-related seizure statute allows extraterritorial seizures," Paner said.

While U.S. law authorizes the government to seize property outside American territory, the government must go to federal court to gain ownership of the seized assets, and may face challenges from the owners of those assets.

Paner told the publication that he believed that Venezuela would challenge the latest American actions in U.S. federal court. "It'll likely take years to resolve," he said.

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