

# Ocean Joss

## Ships in Focus

By Geoff Walker

### “City of Lobito”



(Unknown)

An awesome sight, waking up to find this ship parked in front of your verandah!

The “**City of Lobito**”, 6256 GRT, built 1961 by Swan Hunter and Wigham Richardson Ltd, Tyneside, for the Palm Line Ltd of London, and christened “**Lagos Palm**”. Fitted with a 6 Cylinder Doxford marine diesel, developing 7500 BHP, with a service speed of 16 knots.

Sold by Palm Line in 1981 and renamed “**Lagos Palm 11**”. Shortly thereafter, transferred to Lifiedream Cia Nav SA, Limassol; placed under Cypriot Flag and renamed “**City of Lobito**”. In 1983 she became a casualty of Typhoon Ellen which struck Hong Kong in September 1983, causing her to be driven ashore within Hong Kong waters, on Cheung Chau Island. It was alleged that the owners went into liquidation, and she was subsequently broken up in 1984. The “**City of Lobito**” was just one of many similar marine casualties, including the 225 GRT Barque “**Osprey**”, because of this Typhoon.

End

**Disclaimer:** This is a “Not for Profit” document. Unless otherwise specified, images are from various unknown sources in the Public Domain and used for review, commentary, and educational purposes only. All reasonable attempts made to source copyright holders have proved unresponsive. Owners of these images should make themselves known by contacting me via [oceanicsolutions@gmail.com](mailto:oceanicsolutions@gmail.com) and I will be pleased to give due accreditation or have them removed. No infringement of copyright is intended