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The Port of Miami, shown here, is the base of operations for a fleet of the largest cruise vessels in the world, all operating under foreign flags. The vessels generally operate from the United States to Caribbean ports and are not subject to laws governing domestic, coastal shipping (sabotage”).