

# IFC Monthly MARSEC Report Map November 2017

The Information Fusion Centre (IFC) Monthly MARSEC Report Map aims to provide the shipping industry with a graphic situational awareness review of the eight maritime threats monitored by the IFC in its Area of Interest.



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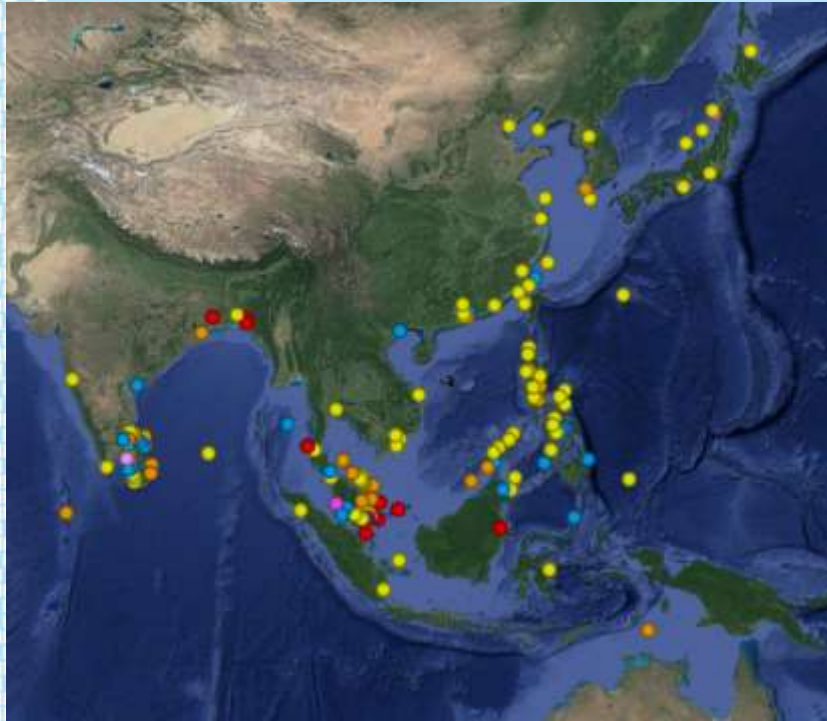
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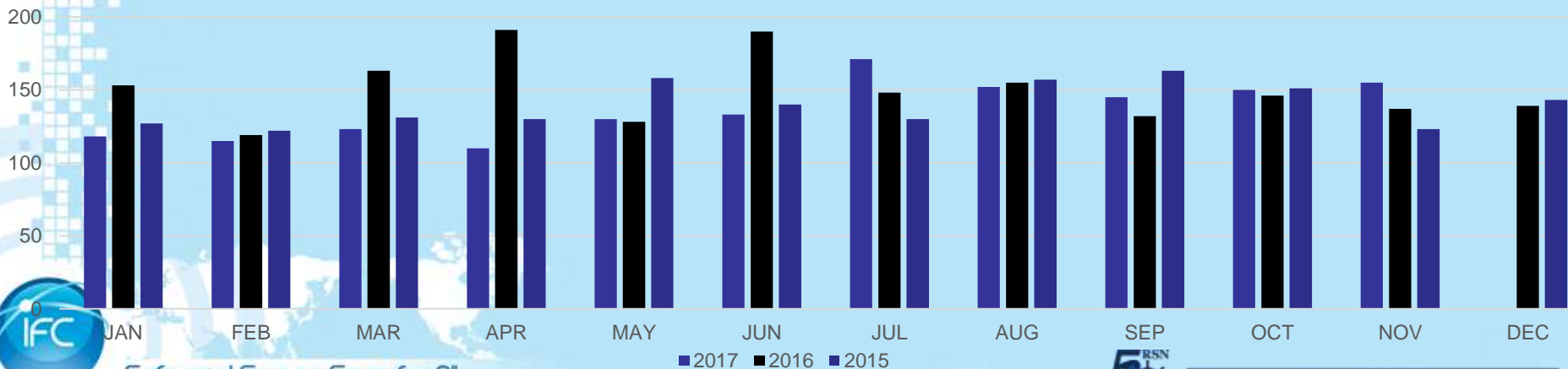


# IFC AOI – Marsec Events November 2017



	NOVEMBER 2017	TOTAL 2017	OCT 2016	OCT 2015
Piracy / Sea Robbery	14	102	18	11
IUU Fishing	32	381	38	41
Irregular Human Migration	7	61	7	8
Maritime Incident	74	644	53	46
Contraband Trafficking	27	320	18	22
Maritime Terrorism	1	9	2	0
Others	0	0	0	0

TOTAL NUMBER OF INCIDENTS BY MONTH



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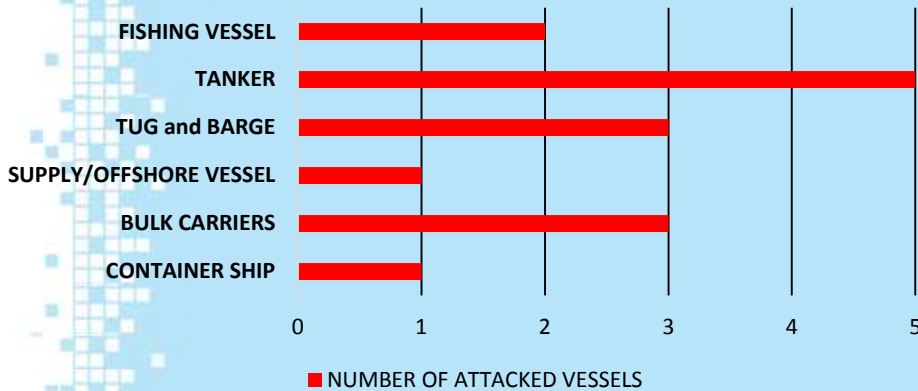
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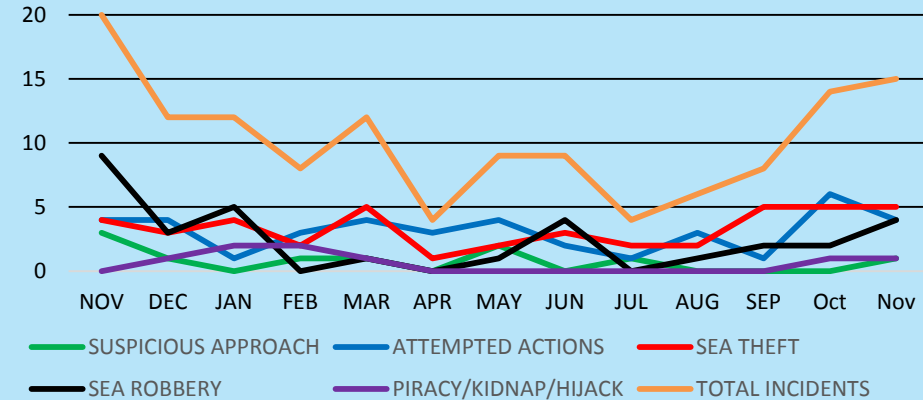
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# TRAPS & MT – November Executive Summary

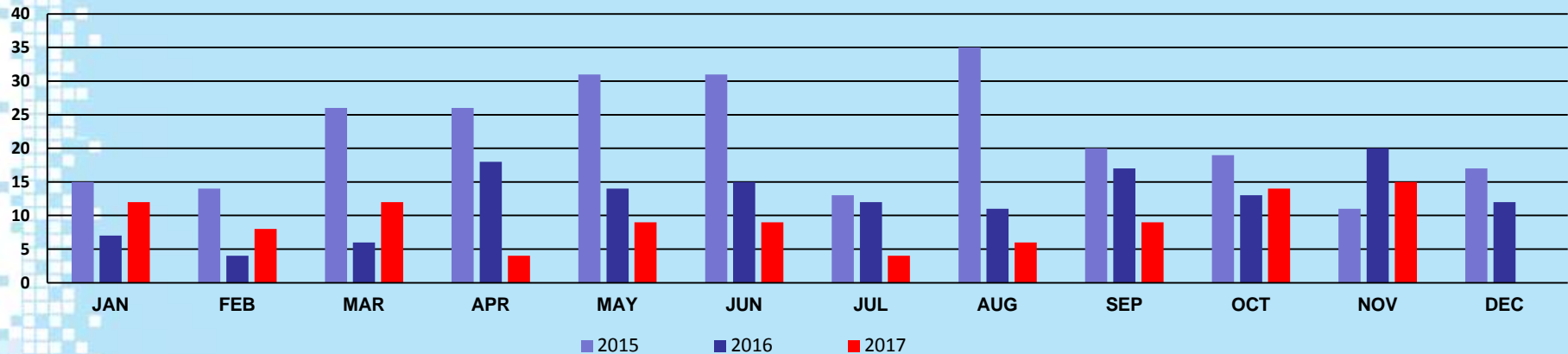
## Type of Attacked Vessels



## Incidents for the last 12 months



## COMPARISON OF TOTAL TRAPS-MT INCIDENTS PER YEAR



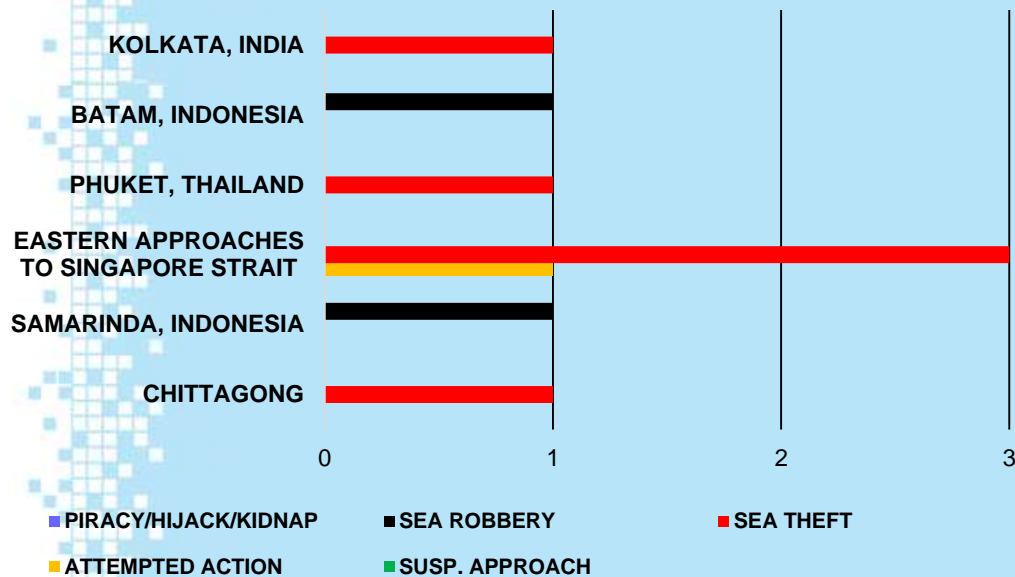
### KEY EVENTS :

- Crew vigilance and quick response from the Philippine Authorities led to a foiled Maritime Terrorism-Sea based KFR incident and the arrest of 6 ASG members on board a speedboat in the Sulu sea.

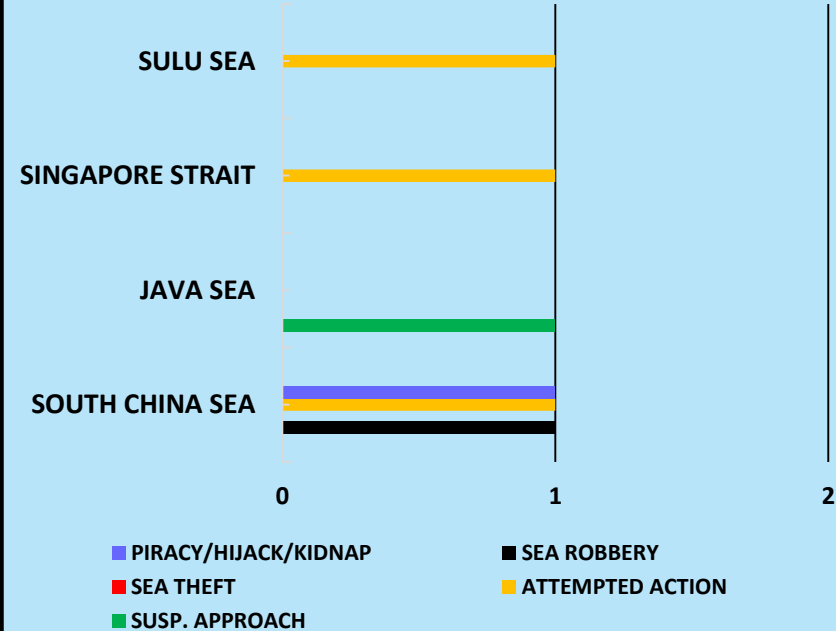


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## Anchorage Incident and Location



## Underway Incident and Location



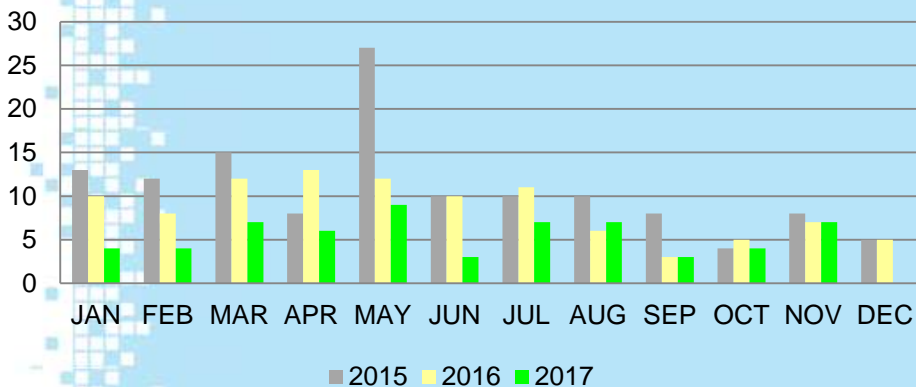
## Key events:

- Yearly incidence occurrence data indicates an upward trend relatively of same trend from CY 2016. However, recorded incident for the period in review is lower as compared to November 2016.
- For this month, Criminal/Perpetrators have 89% success rate while target vessels are in port as compared to 17% while underway. The ratio indicates the level of vigilance and state of watch-keeping being observed by crew, while underway and at port, to repel any planned criminal attack.
- A total of 9 incidents, 5 underway and 4 at anchored, transpired within the vicinity of Eastern approaches to Singapore strait and adjacent SCS vicinity. The number indicates an increase of incidents in the said area for November CY 2017 as compared to Nov CY 2016.

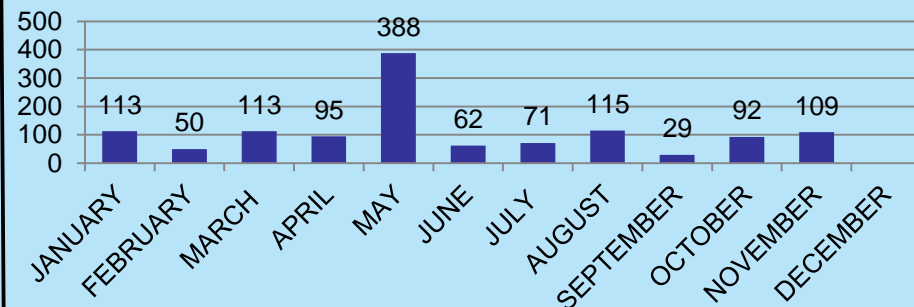


# Irregular Human Migration - November Executive Summary

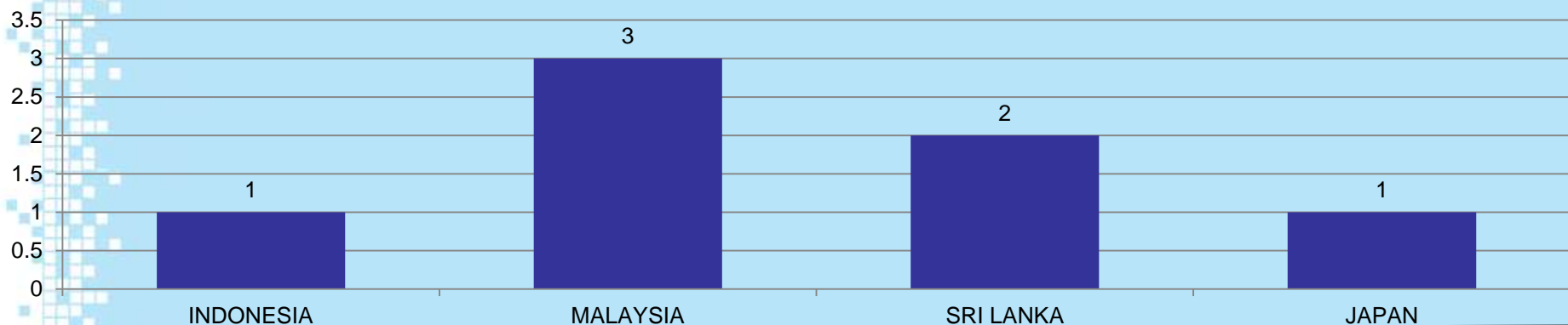
## NUMBER OF INCIDENTS PER MONTH



## NUMBER OF MIGRANTS INTERCEPTED



## Incident / Area

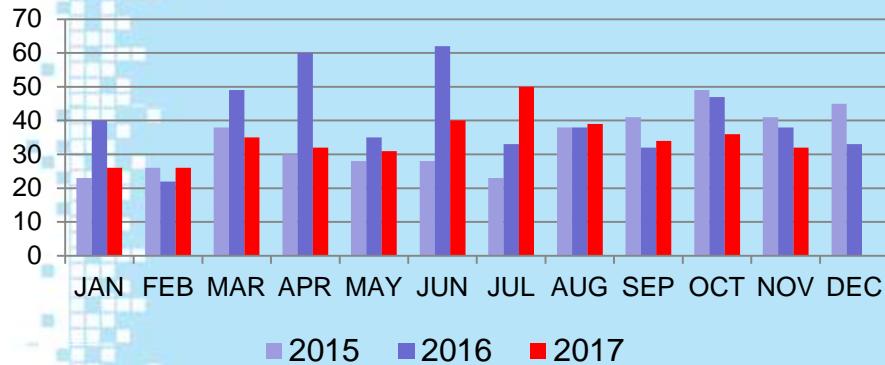


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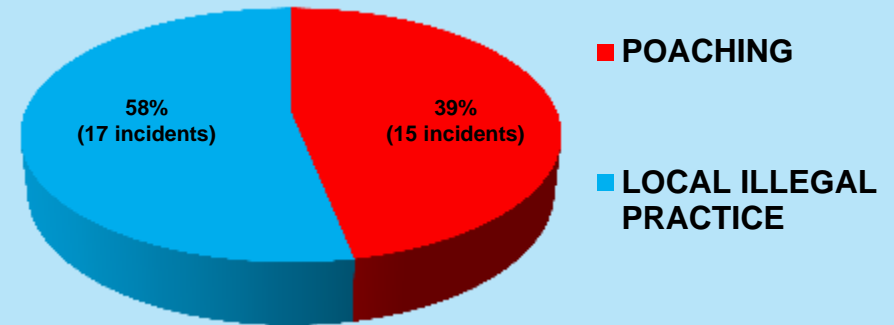
- The Malaysian Marine Police has arrested a total of 708 illegal immigrants along the Pengerang's coastal area this year, which has become a hotspot for illegal immigrants planning to leave the country undetected.
- On 27 and 30 Nov, more than 50 illegal immigrants were apprehended for attempting to migrate illegally to Australia via the sea.

# IUU Fishing - November Executive Summary

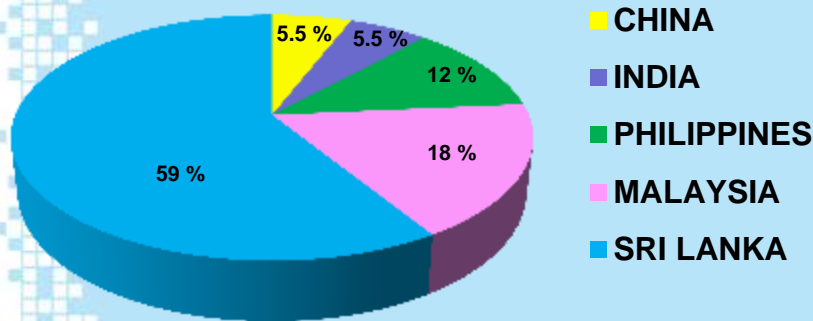
## Number of Incidents this Month



## Type of Incidents



## Illegal Practices by Local Vessel



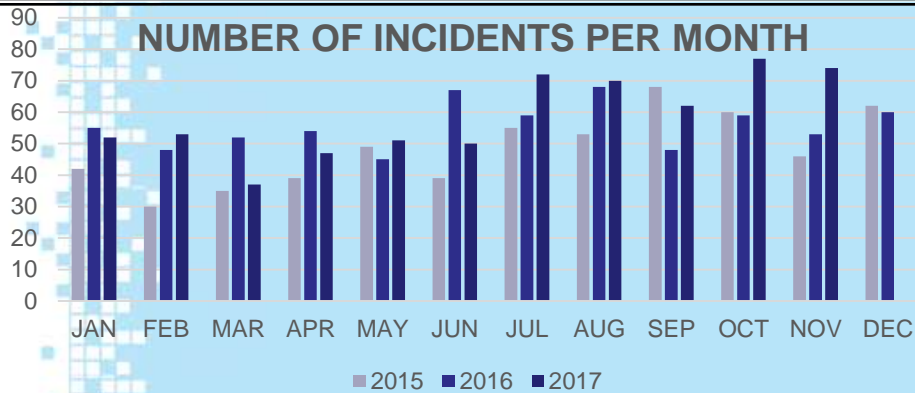
### KEY EVENTS :

- The numbers in some areas may be attributed to the stringent preventive measures undertaken by the local authorities as well as active reporting of the incidents by the resident media.

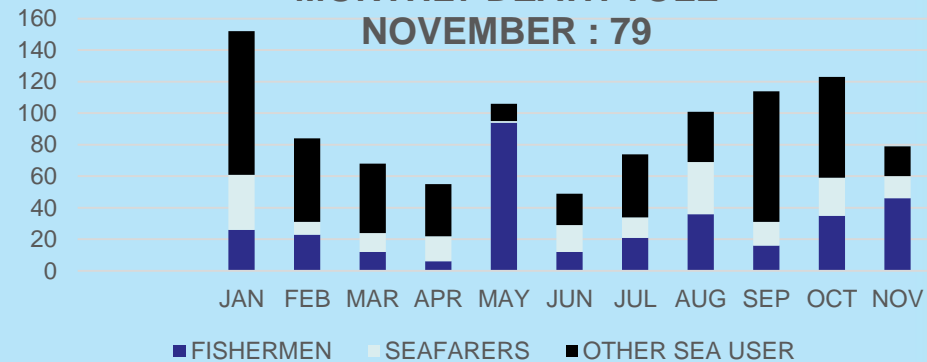


# Maritime Incidents - November Executive Summary

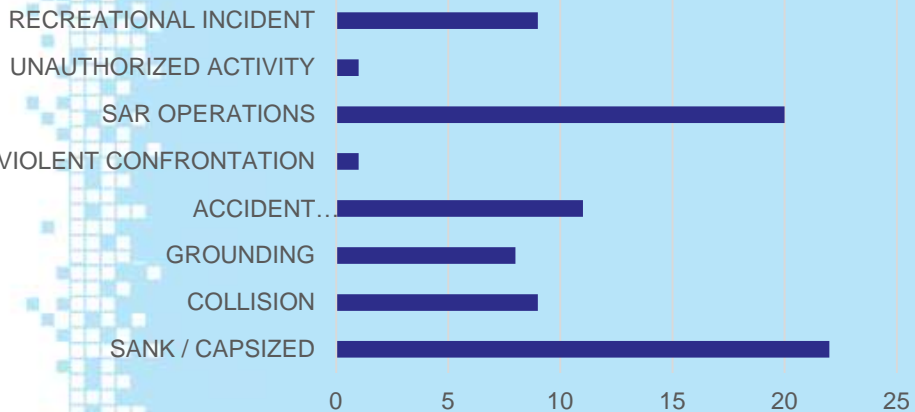
## NUMBER OF INCIDENTS PER MONTH



## MONTHLY DEATH TOLL NOVEMBER : 79



## TYPE OF EVENTS



## EVENTS LOCATION



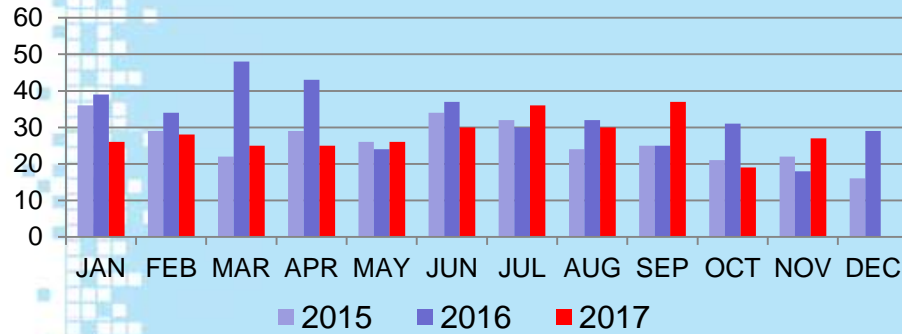
### KEY EVENTS :

- On 6th November, Typhoon Damrey caused one of Vietnam's biggest maritime disaster in modern history : sinking 8 merchant vessels, grounding 2 other and destroying over 1200 fishing vessels.
- Japanese coastal areas witnessed 4 different incidents linked to North-Korean fishing vessels, which brings attention to a relatively unknown phenomenon: large numbers of North-Korean fishing vessels while unfit for sea, continue to go to sea for fishing activities.

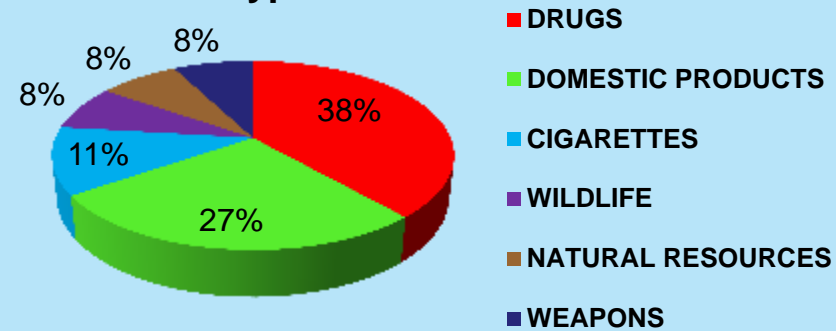


# Contraband Trafficking - November Executive Summary

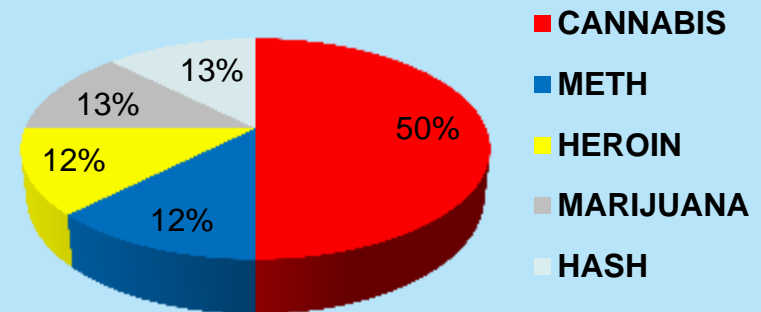
## Number of Incidents this Month



## Type of Product



## Category of Drugs



### Notes:

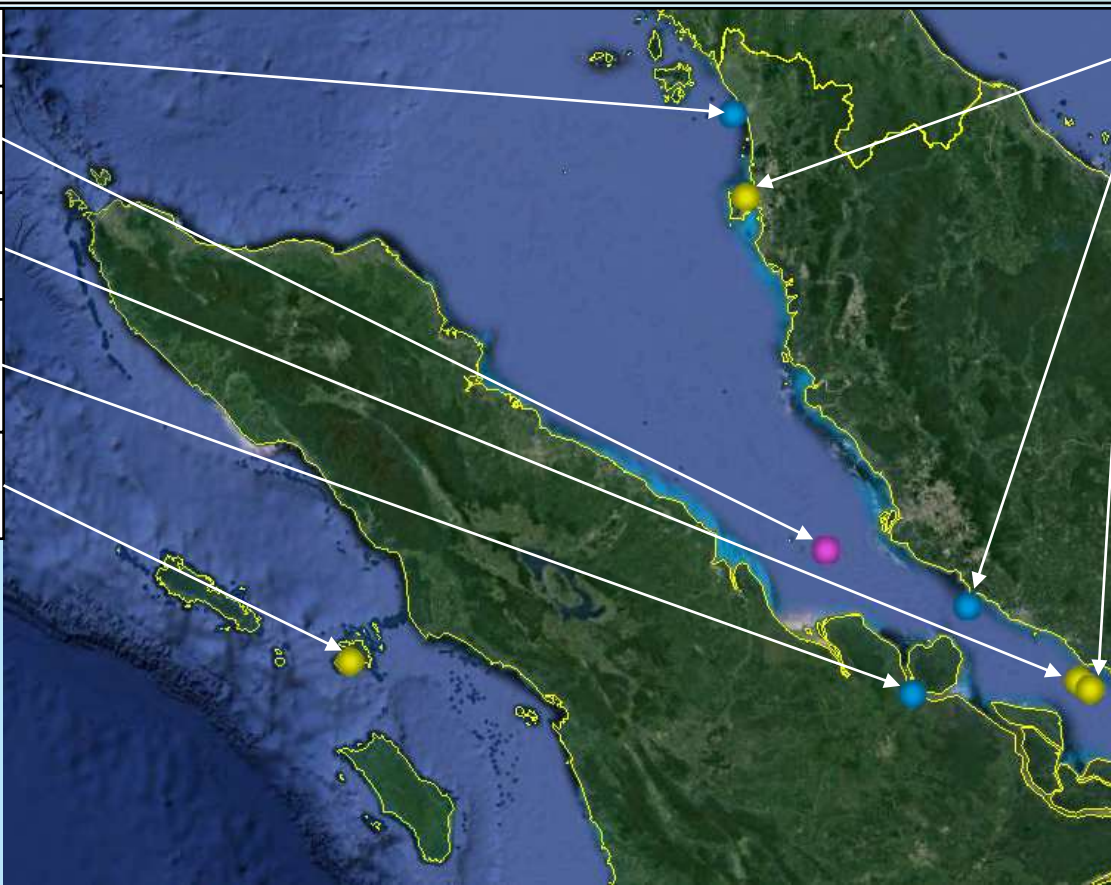
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- **Two cases of weapon smuggling were reported in this month – one pertaining to illegal firearms in Philippines and another pertaining to pressure mines in Sri Lanka. Only two incidents pertaining to weapon smuggling seizures via sea route have been reported in 2017 with the last one reported in Jul 17.**














# MALACCA STRAIT

- 18 Nov – Drug Smuggling/ Heroin/ Kuala Kedah, Malaysia
- 25 Nov – 10 Migrants From Indonesia/ Jemur Island, Indonesia
- 05 Nov – Sunk-Capsized (18 Rescued)/ Dredger/ Off Parit Jawa, Malaysia
- 07 Nov – Domestic Products Smuggling/ Liquor and Cigarettes/ Local Speed Boat/ Dumai, Indonesia
- 16 Nov – Unauthorized Activity (Illegal Anchoring)/ Cruise Ship/ Banyak Island, Indonesia



- 05 Nov – Grounding/ Ferry/ Georgetown, Malaysia
- 04 Nov – Tobacco Smuggling/ Cigarettes/ Off Tanjung Tuan, Malaysia
- 09 Nov – Sunk-Capsized (Three Rescued)/ Cargo Vessel/ Off Batu Pahat, Malaysia

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 Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft	 Piracy / Hijacking / Kidnap
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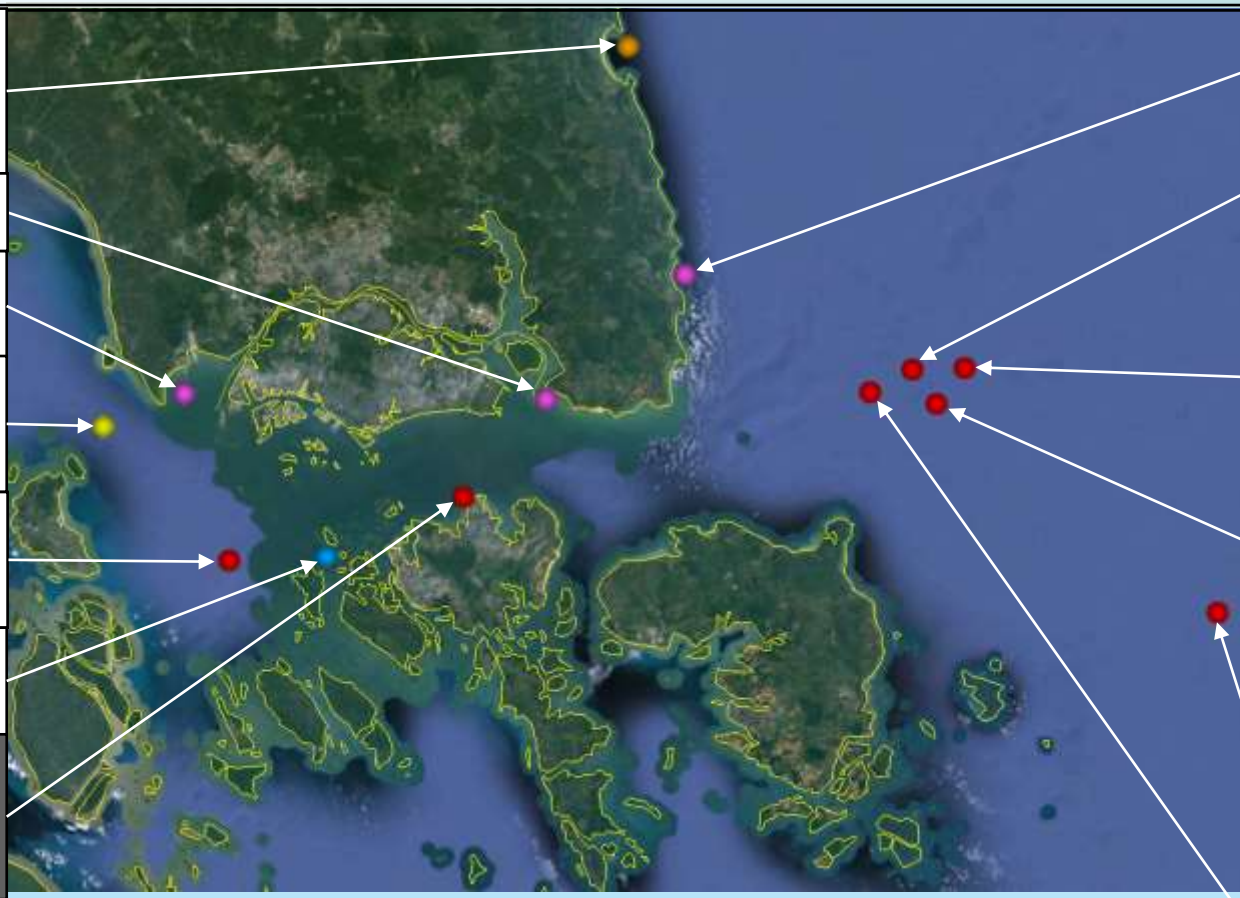
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# SINGAPORE STRAIT

- 07 Nov – Two Foreign Fishing Vessels/ 23 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Tanjung Sedili, Malaysia
- 10 Nov – 24 Immigrants/ Pengerang, Malaysia
- 30 Nov – One Migrant from Indonesia/ Johor Bahru, Malaysia
- 19 Nov – SAR (One Rescued (MEDEVAC))/ Merchant Vessel/ Tanjung Piai, Malaysia
- 21 Nov – Attempted Boarding/ Singapore Strait/ Malta-Flagged/ Bulk Carrier/ Underway
- 08 Nov – Domestic Products Smuggling/ Cell Phones/ Batam, Indonesia
- 04 Nov – Sea Robbery/ Batu Ampar Anchorage, Batam, Indonesia/ Singapore-Flagged/ Supply Ship/ Anchored



- 28 Nov – 12 Immigrants from Indonesia/ Tanjung Lompat, Malaysia
- 11 Nov – Attempted Sea Theft/ Eastern Approach of Singapore Strait Anchorage, Indonesia/ Panama-Flagged/ LNG Tanker/ Anchored
- 01 Nov – Sea Theft/ Eastern Approach of Singapore Strait Anchorage, Indonesia/ Panama-Flagged/ Products Tanker/ Anchored
- 27 Nov – Attempted Sea Theft/ Eastern Approach of Singapore Strait Anchorage, Indonesia/ Norway-Flagged/ Tanker/ Anchored
- 09 Nov – Attempted Sea Theft/ Eastern Approach of Singapore Strait Anchorage, Indonesia/ Hong Kong SAR Flagged/ Chemical Tanker/ Underway
- 18 Nov – Sea Theft/ Eastern Approach of Singapore Strait Anchorage, Indonesia/ Saudi Arabia-Flagged/ Chemical Tanker/ Anchored

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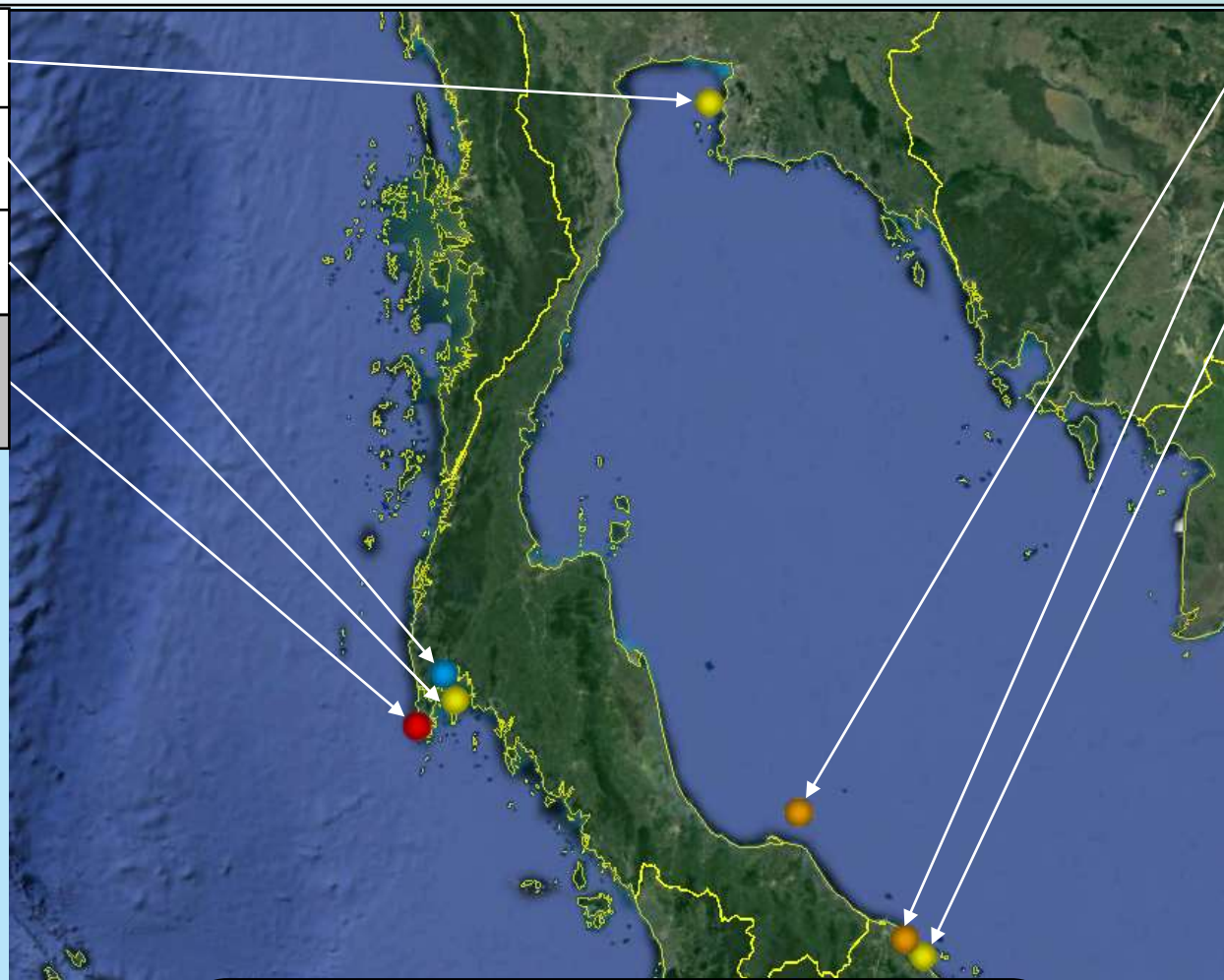
# ANDAMAN SEA & GULF OF THAILAND

02 Nov – Incident/ Oil Spill/ Tanker/ Sri Racha, Thailand

27 Nov – Drug Smuggling/ Marijuana/ Koh Panyi, Thailand

05 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Tourist Vessel/ Phang Nga Bay, Thailand

11 Nov – Sea Theft/ Phuket, Thailand/ Bolivian Flagged/ Fishing Vessel/ Berthed



17 Nov – One Foreign Fishing Trawler/ Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Parane, Thailand

12 Nov – Five Local Fishing Vessels/ 15 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Bachok, Malaysia

27 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Fishing Vessel (One Missing, Six Rescued)/ Tok Bali, Malaysia

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# SOUTH CHINA SEA

02 Nov – Collision/  
Container Ship vs Container  
Ship/ Ho Chi Minh City,  
Vietnam

27 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/  
Fishing Vessel (Five Dead,  
One Rescued)/ Vung Tau,  
Vietnam

01 Nov – SAR (Four  
Rescued)/ Fishing Vessel/  
Off Con Dao Islands/  
Vietnam

19 Nov – Incident/ Drowning  
(Two Bodies Found)/ Pulau  
Kapas, Malaysia

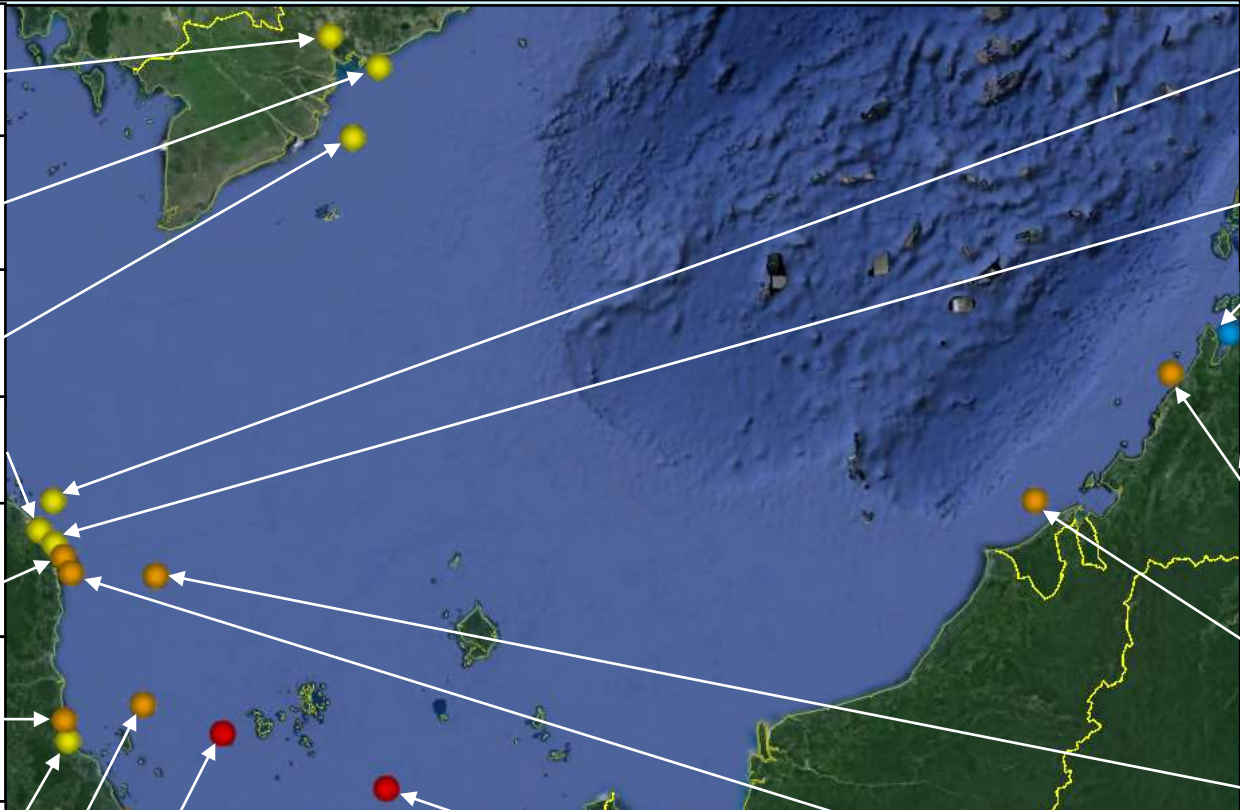
12 Nov – One Local Fishing  
Vessel/ Four Foreign  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing/ Dungun, Malaysia

22 Nov – Two Foreign  
Fishing Vessels/ 22 Foreign  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing/ Sungai Miang,  
Malaysia

07 Nov – SAR (Two  
Rescued)/ Speedboat/  
Tioman, Malaysia

05 Nov – One Foreign  
Fishing Vessel/ 18 Foreign  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing/ Malaysia

08 Nov – Sea Robbery/  
21NM SW of Pulau  
Mangkai, Kepulauan  
Anambas, Indonesia/  
Marshall Islands Flagged/  
Bulk Carrier/ Underway



04 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/  
General Cargo Ship/ Off  
Kuala Terengganu,  
Malaysia

27 Nov – Sunk-Capsized  
(Nine Crew Rescued)/  
Cargo Vessel/ Pulau Kapas,  
Malaysia

11 Nov – Natural Resources  
Smuggling/ Petrol/ Kudat,  
Malaysia

14 Nov – Five Foreign  
Fishing Vessels/ Seven  
Foreign Fishermen  
Arrested/ Illegal Fishing  
Methods/ Kota Belud,  
Malaysia

20 Nov – One Foreign  
Fishing Vessel/ Five Foreign  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing/ Brunei Darussalam

02 Nov – One Foreign  
Fishing Vessel/ Four  
Foreign Fishermen  
Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/  
Malaysia

12 Nov – One Local Fishing  
Vessel/ Eight Foreign  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing/ Dungun, Malaysia

22 Nov – Hijacking/ 97nm  
SW of Riau Islands,  
Indonesia/ Malaysia  
Flagged/ Tug/ Underway

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18 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/  
Fishing Boat/ Fujian, China

12 Nov – Sunk-Capsized (14  
Local Crew Rescued)/  
General Cargo Vessel/  
Shantou, China

27 Nov – Collision (Five  
rescued, Seven missing)/  
Bulk Carrier vs Bulk Carrier/  
Pearl River Estuary, China

02 Nov – Wildlife  
Smuggling/ Fish/ Quang  
Ninh, Vietnam

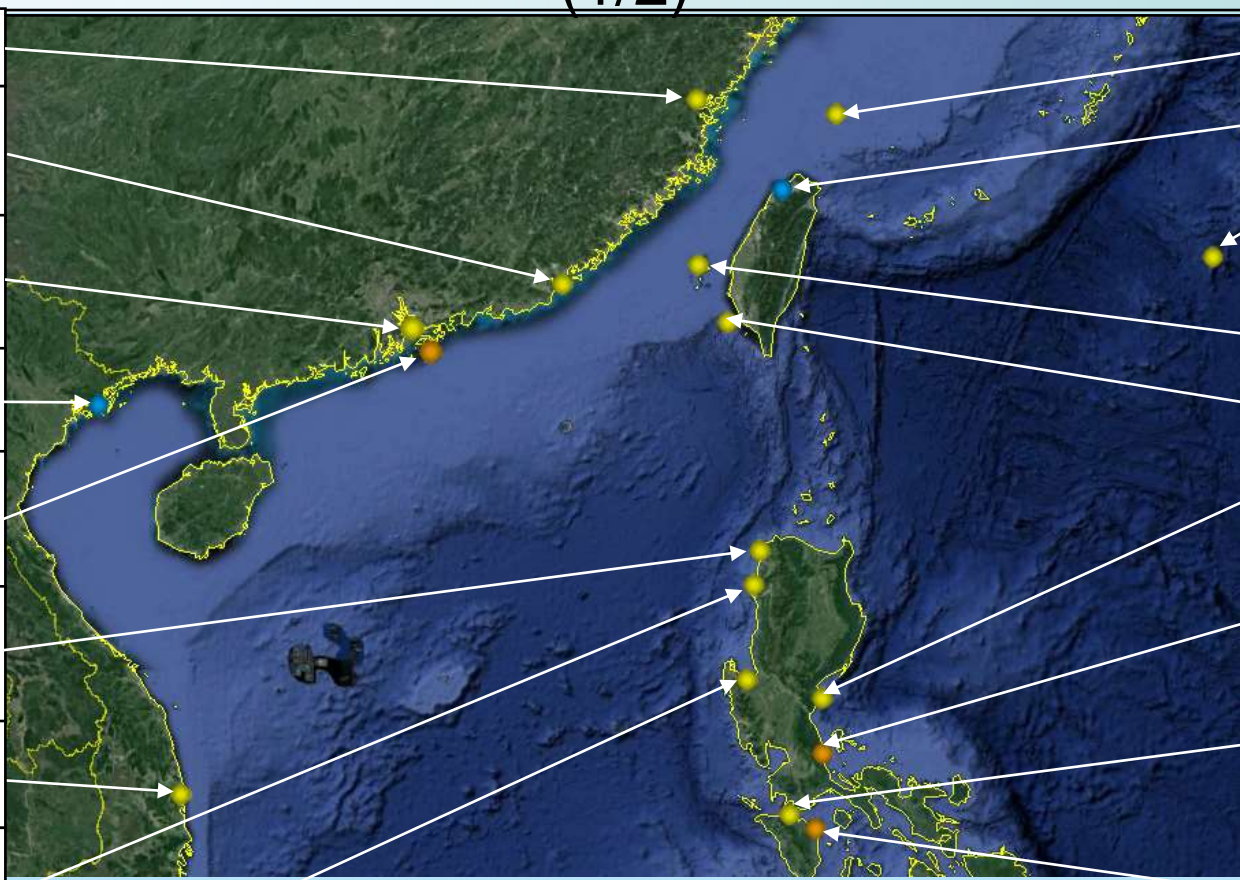
28 Nov – One Local  
Trawler/ Five Local  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing/ Hong Kong

08 Nov – SAR (One  
Rescued (MEDEVAC))/  
Bulk Carrier/ Laoag City,  
Philippines

06 Nov – Sunk-Capsized  
(Four Dead)/ Eight Vessels/  
Quy Nhon, Vietnam

01 Nov – Sunk-Capsized  
(Three Rescued, Three  
Missing)/ Fishing Vessel/  
Philippines

03 Nov – SAR (One  
Missing)/ Lingayen,  
Pangasinan, Philippines



07 Nov – SAR/ Fighter Jet  
Missing/ Taiwan

01 Nov – Drug Smuggling/  
Methamphetamine/ Taiwan

22 Nov – SAR/ Military  
Aircraft (Three Missing)/  
Minami Okidaito Seamount,  
Japan

13 Nov – SAL/ One Fishing  
Boat/ Taiwan Straits, China

06 Nov – Incident/ Adrift/  
Bulk Carrier/ Taiwan

10 Nov – Incident/ Drowning  
(One Dead Body Found)/  
Baler, Aurora, Philippines

14 Nov – One Local Fishing  
Vessel/ Illegal Fishing  
Methods/ Quezon,  
Philippines

02 Nov – SAR (Six  
Rescued)/ Leisure Craft/ Off  
Sabang, Philippines

08 Nov – One Local Fishing  
Boat/ Three Local  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing Methods/ Pola  
Oriental Mindoro,  
Philippines

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10 Nov – Incident/ Fire  
(Container Pile at Container Terminal)/ Shenzhen, China

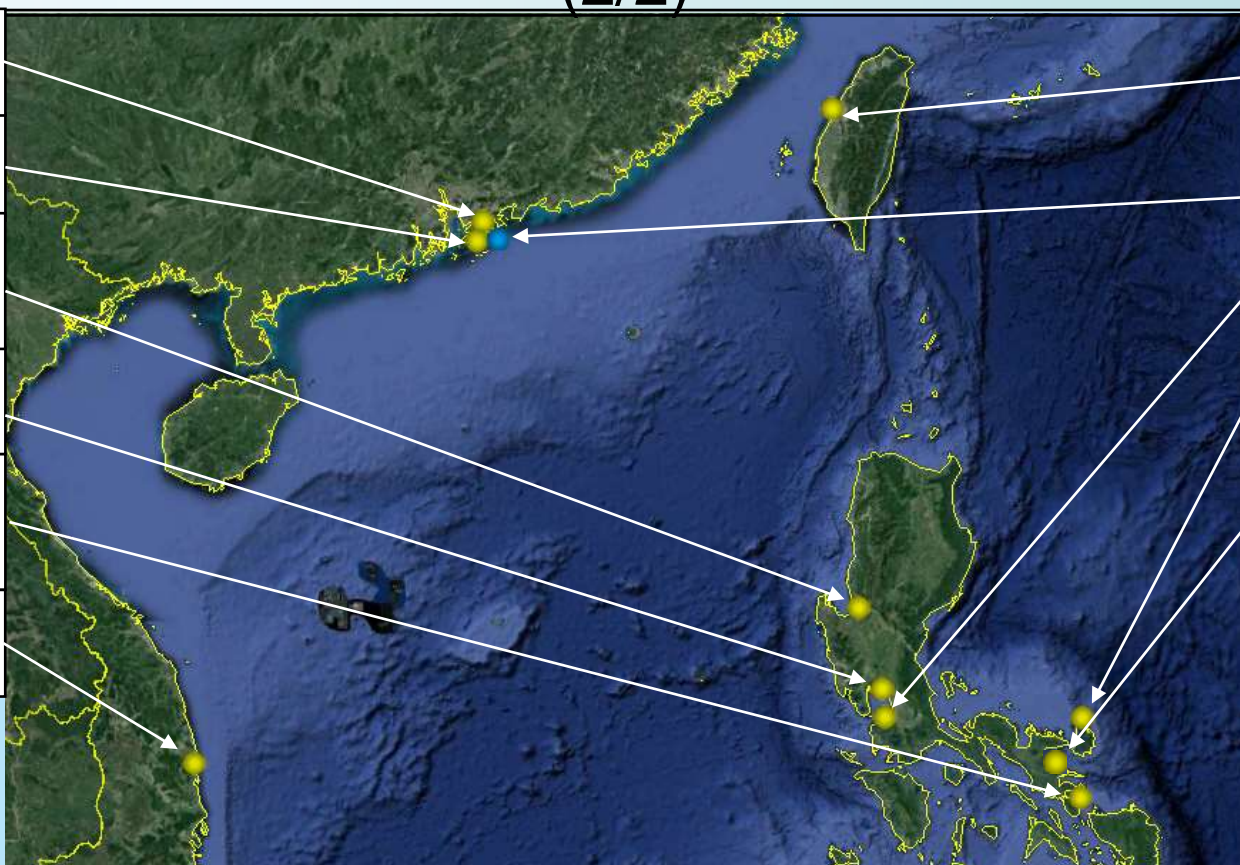
05 Nov – Grounding/  
Container Ship/ Hong Kong, China

02 Nov – Recreational  
Incident (One Drowned)/  
Bayambang, Pangasinan,  
Philippines

05 Nov – Recreational  
Incident (Two Drowned)/  
Morong, Philippines

09 Nov – Grounding/  
General Cargo Vessel/  
Barcelona Town,  
Philippines

06 Nov – Grounding/ Two  
Vessels/ Quy Nhon,  
Vietnam



06 Nov – Incident/ MOB  
(One Dead)/ Container  
Vessel/ Taichung Port,  
Taiwan

22 Nov – Tobacco  
Smuggling/ Cigarettes/  
Hong Kong, China

02 Nov – Incident/ Drowning  
(Three Dead)/ Busuanga,  
Palawan, Philippines

11 Nov – SAR (40  
Rescued)/ Fishing Vessel/  
Catanduanes, Philippines

10 Nov – Recreational  
Incident (11 Fishermen  
Rescued)/ Camarines Sur/  
Philippines

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# EAST CHINA SEA – YELLOW SEA

24 Nov – Grounding/  
Fishing vessel (Eight dead)/  
Oga Peninsula, Japan

24 Nov – Sunk-Capsized  
(Five Missing)/ Fishing  
Boat/ Dalian, Liaoning,  
China

21 Nov – Collision/  
Container Ship Vs Cargo  
Ship/ Caofeidian Port,  
China

07 Nov – Grounding/ Cargo  
Ship/ Inchon, South Korea

27 Nov – Three Foreign  
Fishing Vessels/ Foreign  
Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal  
Fishing Methods/ Jeju  
Island, South Korea

19 Nov – Incident/ Cargo  
Lost/ Container Ship/  
Yangtze Estuary, China

09 Nov – Collision/ Bulk  
Carrier vs River Boat (Two  
Rescued, One Missing)  
Shanghai, China



29 Nov – Incident/ Adrift/  
Fishing Vessel/ Off  
Hokkaido, Japan

23 Nov – Eight Migrants/  
Wooden Boat/ Akita, Japan

25 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/  
Fishing Vessel (One Dead)/  
Sado Island, Japan

16 Nov – Sunk-Capsized  
(Three Rescued)/ Fishing  
Vessel/ Noto Peninsula,  
Japan

18 Nov – Collision/  
Destroyer vs Tugboat/  
Sagami Bay, Japan

24 Nov – Grounding/  
General Cargo Vessel/  
Taketoto Port, Nagoya,  
Japan

10 Nov – Collision/ Tanker  
vs Fishing Vessel/ Jeju  
Island, South Korea

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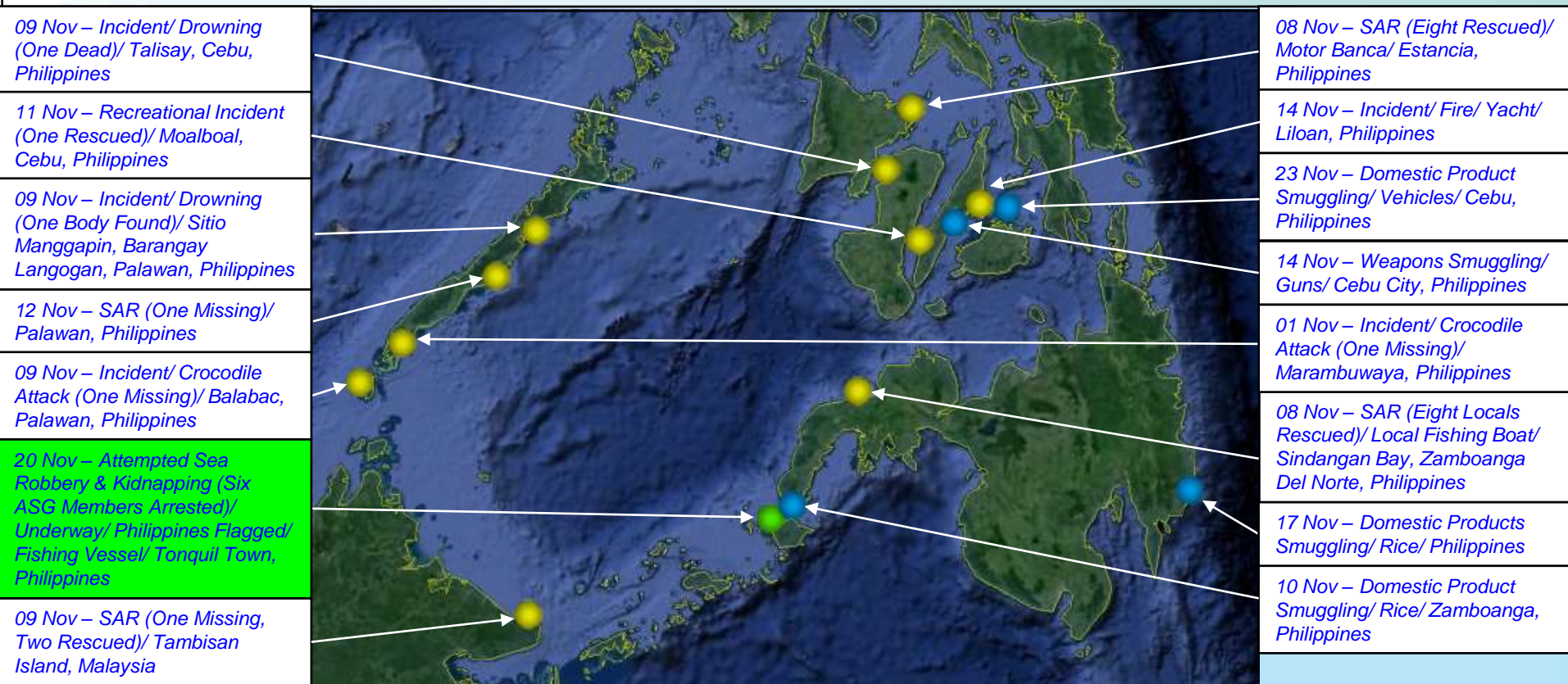
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# PHILIPPINES & SULU SEA



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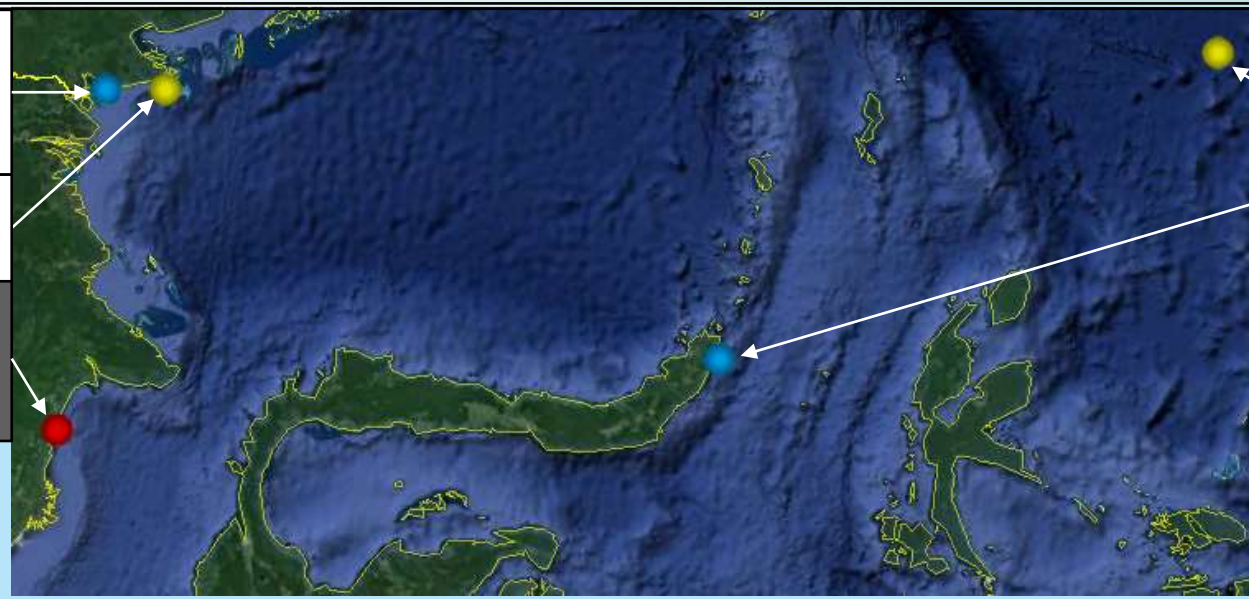
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# CELEBES SEA – NORTH SULAWESI NORTH MOLUKU ISLANDS



15 Nov – Domestic Products Smuggling/ LPG Cylinders and Clothing/ Speedboat/ Kampung Titingan, Malaysia

02 Nov – Incident/ Fire/ Leisure Craft/ Mabul Island, Malaysia

04 Nov – Sea Robbery/ Muara Berau Anchorage, Samarinda, Indonesia/ Liberia Flagged/ Bulk Carrier/ Anchored

20 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Fishing Vessel (Seven Rescued)/ Philippines Sea, Palau

03 Nov – Domestic Product Smuggling/ Alcohol/ Bitung, Indonesia

### INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY

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# JAVA SEA – MAKASSAR STRAIT – BALI SEA - FLORES SEA

18 Nov – Attempted Boarding/ Pulau Singkep, Indonesia/ Malaysian Flagged/ Tug & Barge/ Underway

20 Nov – Grounding/ Bulk Carrier/ Limende Strait, Indonesia

27 Nov – Collision/ Ferry vs Ferry/ Sunda Strait, Indonesia

23 Nov – Grounded/ Ferry/ Kendari Port, Sulawesi, Indonesia



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

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# ARAFURA SEA – BISMARCK SEA – SOLOMON SEA – PHILIPPINE SEA (SOUTH) – BANDA SEA

09 Nov – Three Foreign Fishing Vessels/ 12 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Darwin, Australia



## INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY

	<i>Non Piracy, Sea Robbery or Sea Theft</i>		Sea Robbery / Kidnap
	Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft		Piracy / Hijacking / Kidnap
	Verification in progress		Sea Theft
	Refer to contents within box		Maritime Terrorism (MT)
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# CENTRAL INDIAN OCEAN

16 Nov – SAR (One Rescued (MEDEVAC))/ Merchant Vessel/ 360 NM SW of Port Blair, India



## INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY

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	Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft		Piracy / Hijacking / Kidnap
	Verification in progress		Sea Theft
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# NORTH BAY OF BENGAL

09 Nov – Sea Theft/  
Kolkata, India/ Singapore-  
Flagged/ Container Ship/  
Anchored

05 Nov – Four Local  
Vessels/ 16 Local  
Fishermen Arrested/ India

03 Nov – Natural Resources  
Smuggling/ Sandal Wood/  
Chennai, India



17 Nov – Incident/ Launch  
Collision (One Dead, Two  
Missing)/ Bhola Island,  
Bangladesh

03 Nov – Sea Theft/  
Chittagong, Bangladesh/  
Singapore Flagged/ Tug  
And Barge/ Anchored

**INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY**

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Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft	Piracy / Hijacking / Kidnap
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# BAY OF BENGAL – INDIAN COAST

11 Nov – SAR (One Rescued (MEDEVAC))/ Cruise Ship/ India

29 Nov – Two Foreign Fishing Vessels/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Vaavu Atoll, Maldives

06 Nov – SAR (Seven Rescued)/ Fishing Vessel/ India



## INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY

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# SRI LANKA – PALK STRAIT (1/2)

24 Nov – Incident/ Confrontation (Three Fishermen vs Five Fishermen)/ Bay Of Bengal, India

02 Nov – Three Foreign Fishing Trawlers/ 13 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Sri Lanka

7 Nov – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Sri Lanka

20 Nov – Natural Resources Smuggling/ 6.9 Kg Of Gold/ India

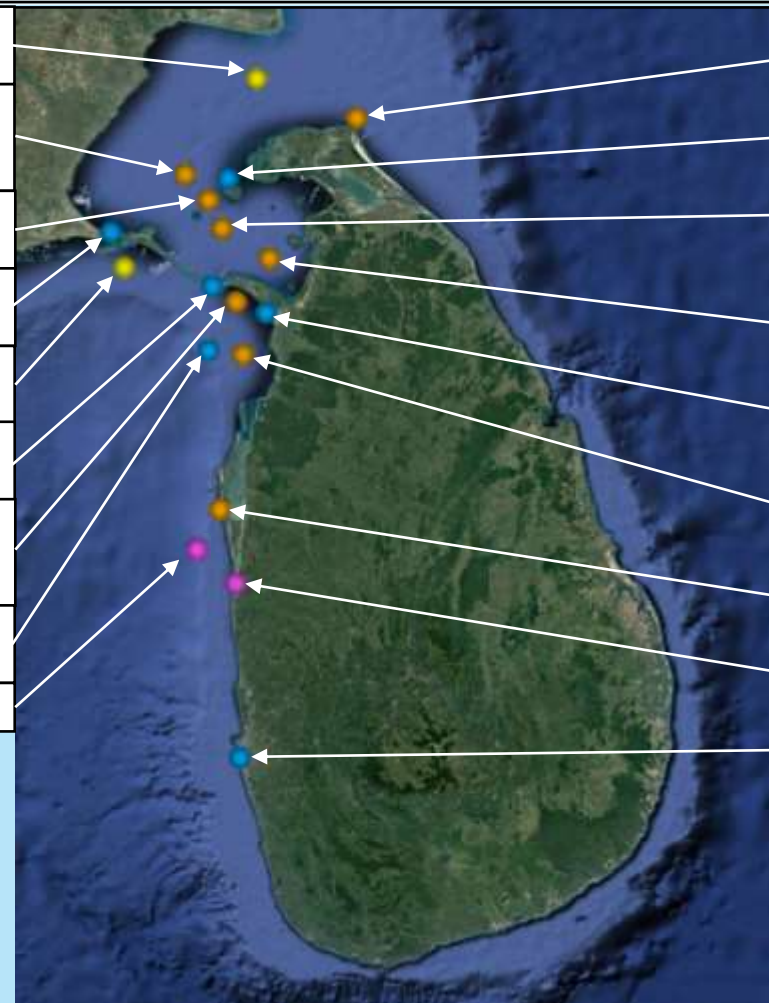
26 Nov – Collision/ Hovercraft vs Fishing Vessel/ Krusadai Island, India

25 Nov – Chemical Smuggling/ Glyphosate/ Mannar Lighthouse, Sri Lanka

14 Nov – One Local Dinghy/ Four Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Sand Dune IV, Mannar, Sri Lanka

25 Nov – Drug Smuggling/ Marijuana/ Talaimannar, Sri Lanka

27 Nov – 22 Illegal Migrants/ Sri Lanka



15 Nov – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Point Pedro Lighthouse, Sri Lanka

19 Nov – Drug Smuggling/ Cannabis/ Sri Lanka

07 Nov – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Two Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Sawaripuram, Sri Lanka

09 Nov – One Local Fishing Vessel/ One Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Pali Aru, Sri Lanka

03 Nov – Wildlife Smuggling/ Conch Shells/ Sri Lanka

22 Nov – One Local Dinghy/ Three Local Fisherman/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Mannar, Sri Lanka

03 Nov – One Fishing Vessel/ Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Sri Lanka

30 Nov – 32 Migrants From Sri Lanka/ Fishing Trawler/ Naguleliya Coast, Sri Lanka

14 Nov – Drugs Smuggling/ Kerala Cannabis/ Colombo, Sri Lanka

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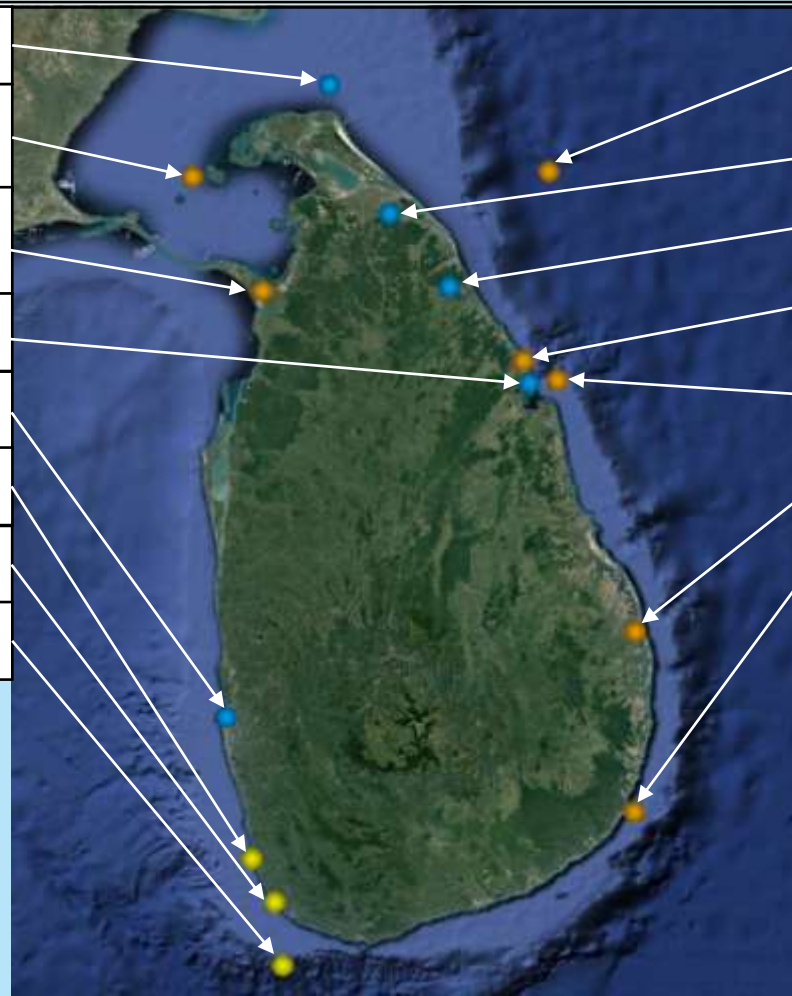
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# SRI LANKA – PALK STRAIT (2/2)

20 Nov – Drugs Smuggling/ Cannabis/ Point Pedro, Sri Lanka
18 Nov – Two Foreign Fishing Vessels/ Eight Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Katchatheevu Island, Sri Lanka
14 Nov – One Local Dinghy/ Four People Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Pallemunai, Mannar, Sri Lanka
08 Nov – Drugs Smuggling/ Tramadol/ Tricomalee, Sri Lanka
14 Nov – Drugs Smuggling/ Pregabalin/ Dematagoda Town, Colombo, Sri Lanka
14 Nov – Incident/ One Body Recovered/ Ahungalla Beach, Sri Lanka
14 Nov – Incident/ One Body Recovered/ Galagodawatta, Sri Lanka
29 Nov – SAR (Medevac)/ Container Ship/ Off Galle Lighthouse, Sri Lanka



05 Nov – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Eight Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Sri Lanka
15 Nov – Drugs Smuggling/ Cannabis/ Nachchikuda, Sri Lanka
14 Nov – Weapons Smuggling/ Janakapura, Sri Lanka
02 Nov – One Local Fishermen Arrested/ Sri Lanka
06 Nov – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Kinniya, Sri Lanka
13 Nov – Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thureineelavaneii Lagoon, Sri Lanka
02 Nov – One Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Sri Lanka

**INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY**

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# RECOMMENDATIONS

## IFC Advises:

1. All mariners to report any incidents timely to the nearest coastal state and to the IFC at the earliest possible time.
2. Ships moving at slow speed or are choosing to remain at anchor in areas where sea robbery/theft is regularly reported should remain vigilant and adopt necessary and/or added security measures.
3. All mariners to take note on the description of the perpetrators and to take photos of the perpetrators if possible. Where available, CCTV footage capturing the incident should be provided to the coastal state authorities for follow-on investigation.
4. Shippers and Seafarers operating in Sulu Sea and in vicinity of East Sabah Waters are strongly recommended to be vigilant and to establish contact with both Malaysian and Philippines Authorities to report their presence. Please refer to IFC Spot Commentary 5/17 for the latest assessment of the situation in that affected area.
5. Shippers are advised to take note that the threat of terrorist activity in the maritime domain remains a possibility in the region due to ISIS and the Al-Qaeda. The possibility of this threat was previously quoted in Al-Qaeda's online magazine "Resurgence", which called for the disruption of global trade and shipping through acts of piracy, among other tactics. Shippers are therefore advised to exercise vigilance and to adopt self-defensive measures as stated in the Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia, especially when transiting narrow choke points and areas which are known to have experienced incidents of sea robbery/piracy.

**Note: Information herein has been derived from various internal and external sources such as Focal Points, OPCENs and other maritime stakeholders. Seafarers should remain vigilant especially in areas where the threat level is assessed to be of concern in accordance with the IFC's assessments via its Weekly Report or Spot Commentaries. Ships should apply the appropriate security measures (such as the Tugs and Barge Guide, Guide for Tankers Operating in Asia and the Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia). Ship masters should also be aware of and refer to the Maritime Security Charts Q6112 and Q6113, both published by the UK Hydrographic Office.**

*The IFC seeks your observations in the course of your normal business. The IFC would like to remind mariners to be mindful of national and international laws, company and other policy requirements and also health and safety obligations, whilst recording these observations. The reporting of such events to IFC does not absolve you of your obligations towards coastal/ port/ flag authorities.*

## CONTACT

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