IFC Monthly MARSEC Report Map May 2018

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



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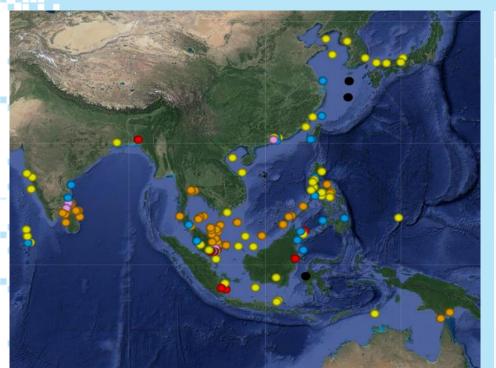
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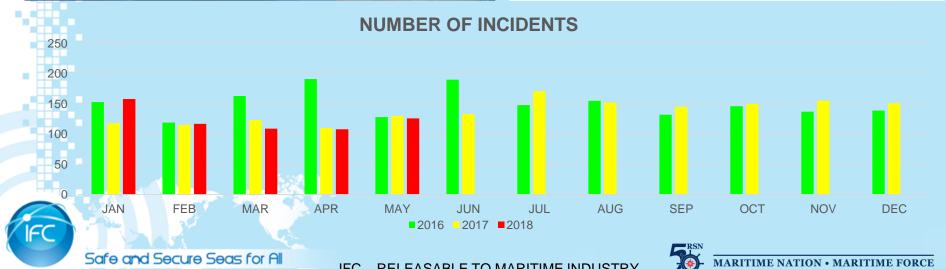




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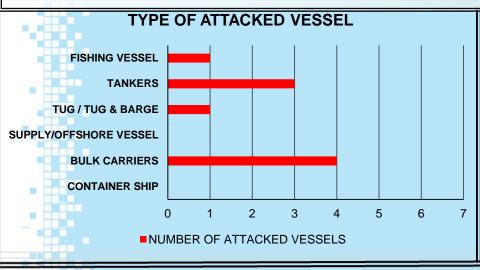


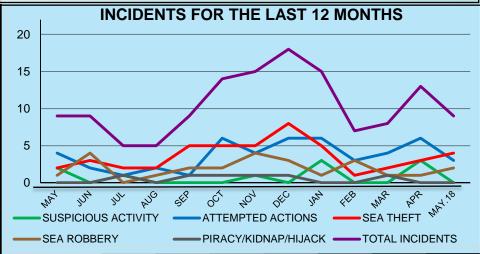
MAY 2018		TOTAL 2018	MAY 2017	MAY 2016
Piracy / Sea Robbery	9	52	9	14
IUU Fishing	40	133	32	60
Irregular Human Migration	6	25	9	12
Maritime Incident	48	261	51	45
Contraband Trafficking	23	129	26	24
Maritime Terrorism	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0

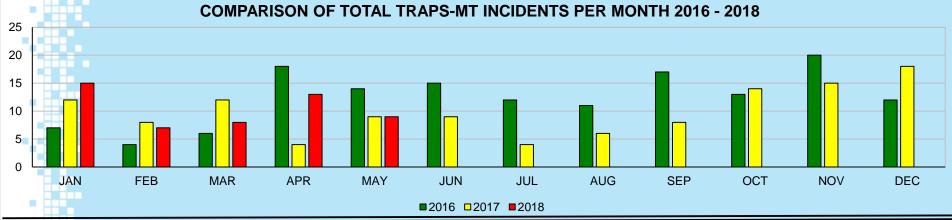


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TRAPS & MT – May Executive Summary





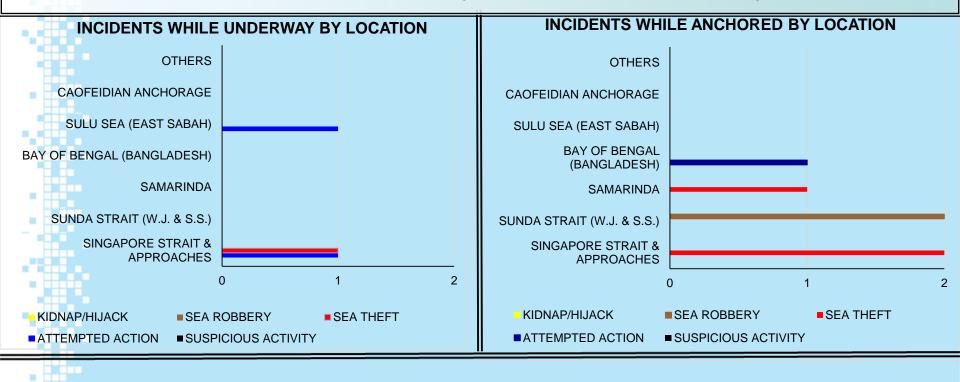


KEY EVENTS & OBSERVATIONS:

- During this month 9 incidents were recorded (same figure as May 2017 and lower as compared to the 14 incidents in May 2016).
- 6 incidents transpired while the attacked vessels were at anchor and 3 while underway (75% during the period of darkness POD).
- In this period, a total of 4 incidents were recorded in the Singapore Strait and approaches. In said area 14 incidents have been recorded since January 2018 (5 unsuccessful actions), 40 since 2017, and 58 since 2016; most of them with same characteristics, namely: incidents transpired during the POD, while anchored, perpetrators escaped when spotted or when alarm raised by crew, little to no violence (Of note is that only on 2015 there were recorder 115 incidents).



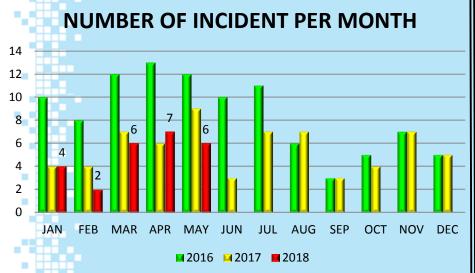
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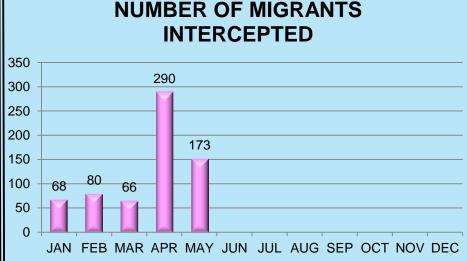


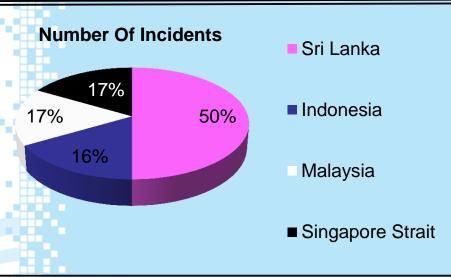
KEY EVENTS & OBSERVATIONS:

- 2 Sea Robbery incidents were recorded in vicinity of (IVO) Sunda Strait, 1 transpiring in Taharan anchorage (previous incident in this area occurred in 28/04/18 and 02/10/16 but were only Suspicious Approach and Attempted Sea Theft respectively).
- A total of 1 incident was recorded in the Samarinda Anchorage. In said area 10 incidents (most of them not reported to local authorities) have been recorded since January 2018 (5 Sea Theft and 5 attempted actions), 15 since 2017, 22 since 2016, and 23 since 2015; all of them with same characteristics, namely: incidents transpired during the POD, while anchored, perpetrators escaped when spotted or when alarm raised by crew, little to no violence.
- A total of 1 incident was recorded in Sulu Sea (East Sabah), were the suspects attacked law enforcement agents causing the response of the latter and the death of the 4 perpetrators. Of note is that fast action taken by the Malaysian authorities allowed to foil an armed action against the fishing vessels in East Sabah waters on the 8th May.
- As of this month, since January 2018, 9 incidents have been either foiled or the perpetrators detained and the stolen items recovered by local authorities (3 in Bangladesh, 1 in India, 3 in Indonesia, 1 in Philippines and 1 in Malaysia).

Irregular Human Migration – May 2018 Executive Summary



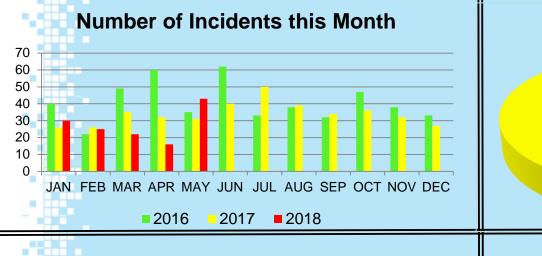


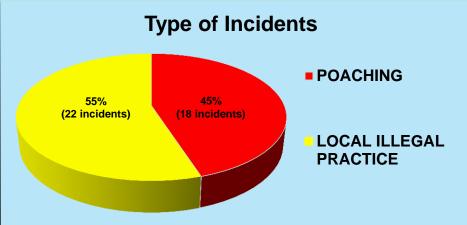


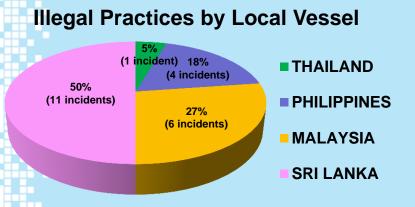
KEY EVENTS:

- 1 May An old coastal freighter converted to smuggle 131 people as it cargo is another innovative way in which people smugglers are willing to risk the lives of their customers. Malaysia's disruption of this syndicate is highly regarded and further cooperation between countries will continue to disrupt similar smuggling rings.
- There is a recent increasing trend of small numbers of Tamil-Sri Lankan refugees attempting to return to Sri Lanka from India, on small boats.
- People smugglers continue to take advantage of disadvantaged people across the region.

IUU Fishing – MAY 2018 Executive Summary (draft)





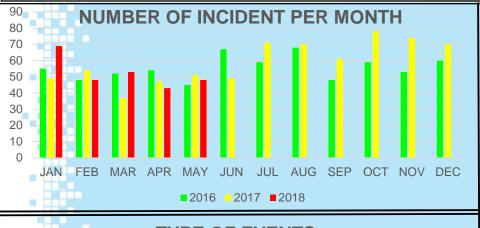


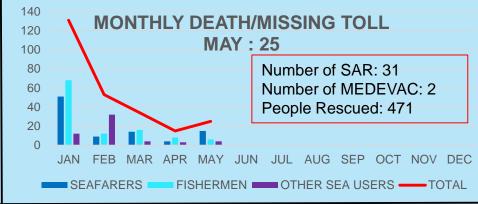
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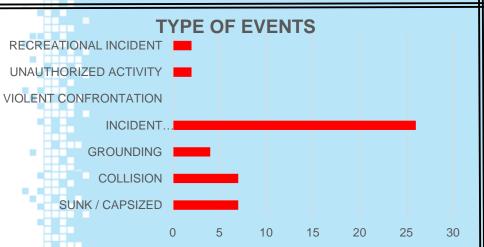
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Maritime Incidents - MAY Executive Summary





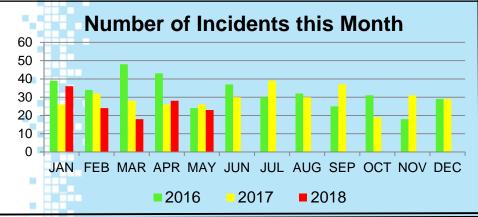


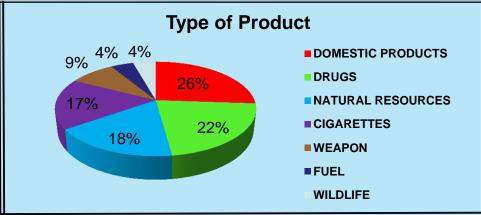


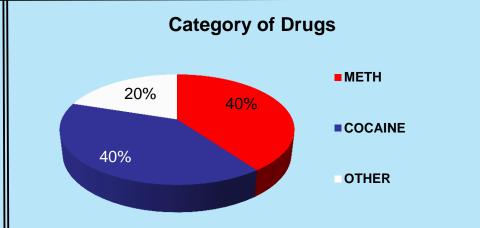
KEY EVENTS:

Out of the 26 recorded incidents, 9 of them were fires. A fire on the 17th May destroyed a ferry in Indonesia
minutes after all the passengers (40) were disembarked. Another fire on the 25th May partially destroyed a
tanker in the port of Balikpapan, Indonesia, causing an oil spill that was set ablaze, severely damaged a
further four tankers and three tugs.

Contraband Trafficking - May Executive Summary







Notes:

- 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 resident media.
- Highlight of the month involved two cases of weapon smuggling a minor one involving 10,000 detonators likely for use in IUU activities. The other was a large shipment of weapons (109 long and short guns) and ammunition (12378 rnds) (totalling US\$1.34m) in Taiwan found in a container shipped from Hong Kong. It is pertinent to mention that so far only one incident has been reported this year related to weapons smuggling bringing the total count to three as of 31 May 18.
 - Major drug seizure this month was on 24 May in which the Malaysian authorities seized 410kg of Methamphetamine worth US\$7.2m.



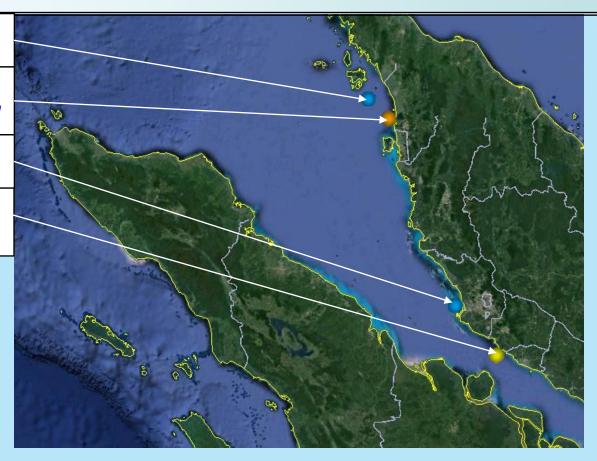
MALACCA STRAIT

24 May – Drugs Smuggling/ Methamphetamine/ Small Boat/ Malaysia/ DB250518

28 May – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Tanjung Dawai, Malaysia/ DB300518

28 May – Drugs Smuggling/ Methamphetamine/ Container/ Port Klang, Malaysia/ DB300518

27 May – Unauthorized Activity/ Invalid Documentation/ Passenger Boat/ Tanjung Tuan, Malaysia/ DB010618





SINGAPORE STRAIT

29 May – Incident/ MOB/ Small Boat/ One Missing/ SAR/ Pulau Pisang, Malaysia/ DB300518

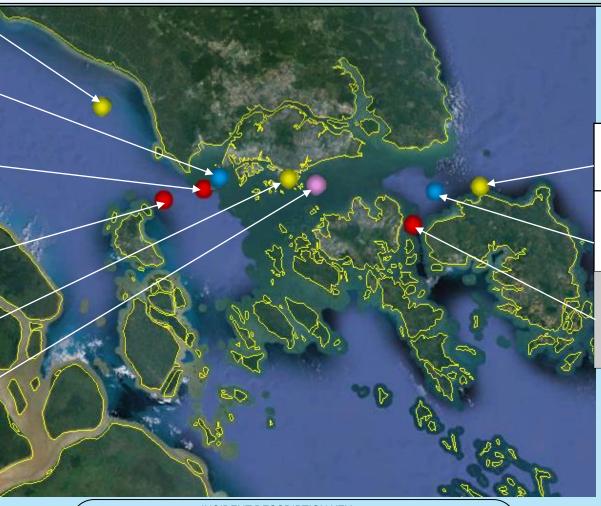
18 May – Cigarette Smuggling/ Tuas, Singapore/ DB240518

22 May – Sea Theft/ 2.5NM West Of Tuas, West Extension, Singapore Strait/ Malaysia-Flagged/ 'BUDGET 19' & 'BUDGET 29'/ Tug & Barge/ Underway/ DB210518

19 May – Attempted Action/ Singapore Straits/ Marshall Islands-Flagged/ Crude Oil Tanker/ FRONT ULL/ Underway/ DB220518

05 May – Incident/ Diving Incident/ One Dead/ Singapore Straits, Singapore/ DB090518

22 May – Two Illegal Immigrants From Indonesia/ Small Boat/ Singapore/ DB240518



19 May – Incident/ MOB/ One Missing/ Cruise Ship/ SAR/ Off Bintan, Indonesia/ DB210518

21 May – Domestic Product Smuggling/ Rice/ Two Foreign Ships/ Tanjung Pinang, Indonesia/ DB220518

15 May – Sea Theft/ Tanjung Uban Anchorage, Batam, Indonesia/ Singapore-Flagged/ Products Tanker/ KIRANA SANTYA/ Anchored/ DB220518



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ANDAMAN SEA & GULF OF THAILAND

19 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ One Foreign Fisherman Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thailand/ DB250518

01 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ One Foreign Fisherman Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thailand/ DB250518

03 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thailand/ DB250518

18 May – Two Local Fishing Vessel/ Two Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Phuket, Thailand/ DB220518

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY Non Piracy, Sea Robbery or Sea Theft Sea Robbery /

01 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Two Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thailand/ DB250518

19 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thailand/ DB250518

19 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Thailand/ DB250518



SOUTH CHINA SEA (1/2)

20 May - Incident/ Unauthorized Activity/ Illegal Transfer/ Diesel/ SE Off Con Dao Islands, Vietnam/ DB220518

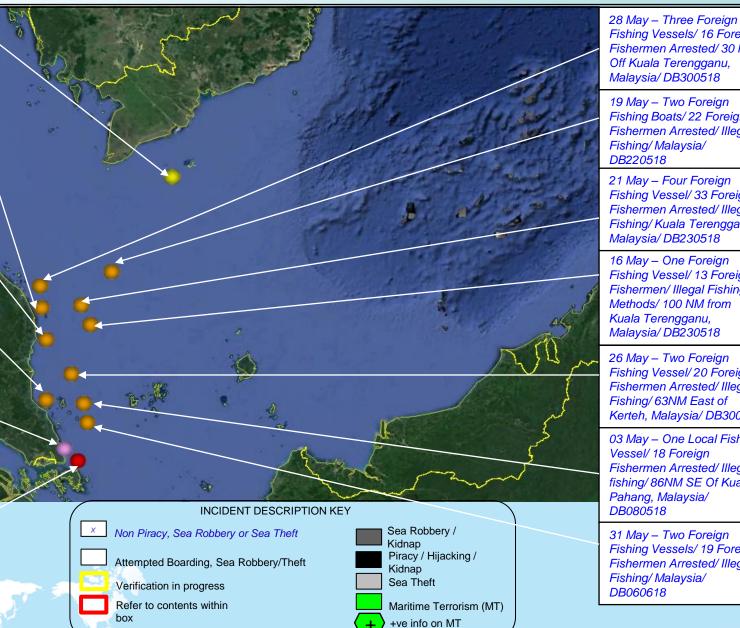
16 May - One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Five Foreign Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/31 NM from Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB230518

16 May - One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Seven Foreign Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing/ Kemaman, Malaysia/ DB230518

03 May - One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Six Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/Kuala Sungai Endau, Rompin Pahang, Malaysia/ DB080518

01 May - 131 Migrants From Sri Lanka/ Tanker/ Kota Tinggi, Johor, Malaysia/ DB070518

05 May - Sea Theft/ Eastern Approach Of Singapore Strait Anchorage, Indonesia/ Bahamas-Flagged/ Crude Oil Tanker/ ERIK SPIRIT/ Anchored/DB220518



Fishing Vessels/ 16 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ 30 NM Off Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB300518

19 May - Two Foreign Fishing Boats/ 22 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Malaysia/ DB220518

21 May - Four Foreign Fishing Vessel/ 33 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB230518

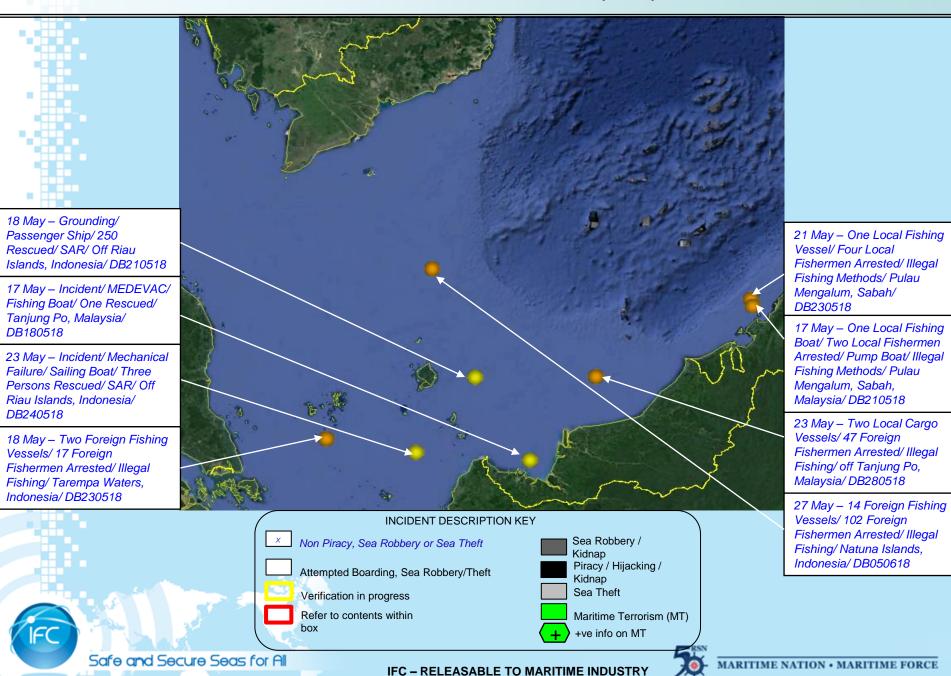
16 May - One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ 13 Foreign Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ 100 NM from Kuala Terengganu. Malaysia/ DB230518

26 May - Two Foreign Fishing Vessel/ 20 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/63NM East of Kerteh, Malaysia/ DB300518

03 May - One Local Fishing Vessel/ 18 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal fishing/86NM SE Of Kuala Pahang, Malaysia/ DB080518

31 May – Two Foreign Fishing Vessels/ 19 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Malaysia/ DB060618

SOUTH CHINA SEA (2/2)



SEA(1/2)

16 May – Sunk-Capsized/ Cargo Ship/ Five Rescued, Six Missing/ SAR/ Taiwan Straits, China/ DB170518

08 May – Incident/ Fire/ Container Vessel/ SAR/ Off Hong Kong, China/ DB140518

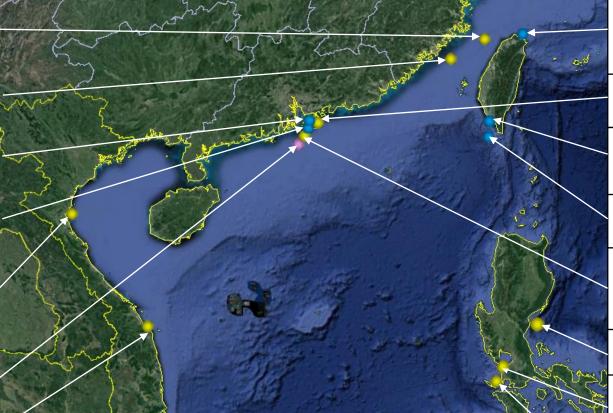
15 May – Wildlife Smuggling/ Pangolin Scales/ Hong Kong, China/ DB180518

15 May – Natural Resources Smuggling/ Mercury/ Hong Kong, China/ DB180518

26 May – Incident/ Gas Leak/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Injured/ Quỳnh Lưu District, Vietnam/ DB300518

23 May – 14 Illegal Immigrants From Vietnam/ Speedboat/ Hong Kong/ DB240518

27 May – Incident/ Fire/ Fishing Vessel/ Vietnam/ DB300518



05 May – Weapons Smuggling/ 1.3M USD Guns And Ammunition/ Shipping Container/ Taipai, Waiwan/ DB070518

28 May – Collision/ Ferry vs Wharf/ Hong Kong, China/ DB310518

31 May – Cigarettes Smuggling/ Fishing Boat/ Dong Gang, Taiwan/ DB040618

28 May – Cigarettes Smuggling/ Fishing Boat/ Pingtung, Taiwan/ DB300518

08 Apr – Collision/ General Cargo Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued, One Missing/ SAR/ Shantou, China/ DB160418

21 May – Incident/ MOB/ One Dead/ SAR/ Aurora, Philippines/ DB240518

24 May – Collision/ Fishing Boat vs Fishing Boat/ Two Rescued, Three Dead/ SAR/ off Cavite, Philippines/ DB280518

02 May – Recreational Incident/ Drowning/ SAR/ Off Batangas, Philippines/ DB070518

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION KEY

Non Piracy, Sea Robbery or Sea Theft

Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft

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Sea Robbery /

Kidnap
Piracy / Hijacking /
Kidnap

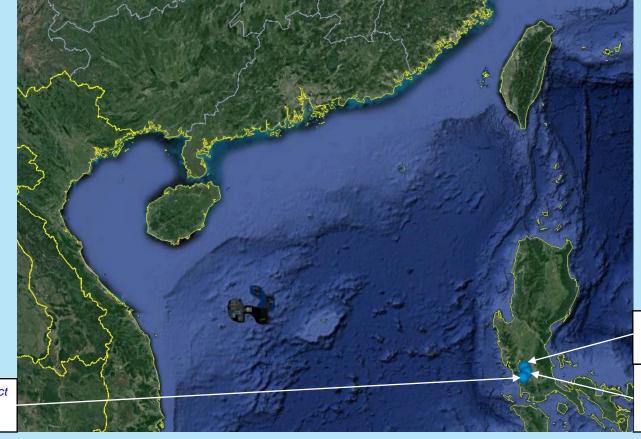
Sea Theft

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SEA(1/2)



24 May – Cigarettes Smuggling / Manila, Philippines/ DB250518

07 May – Goods Smuggling/ Rice, Housewares, E-Cigarettes/ Manila, Philippines/ DB090518

24 May – Domestic Product Smuggling/ Manila, Philippines/ DB250518



EAST CHINA SEA - YELLOW SEA

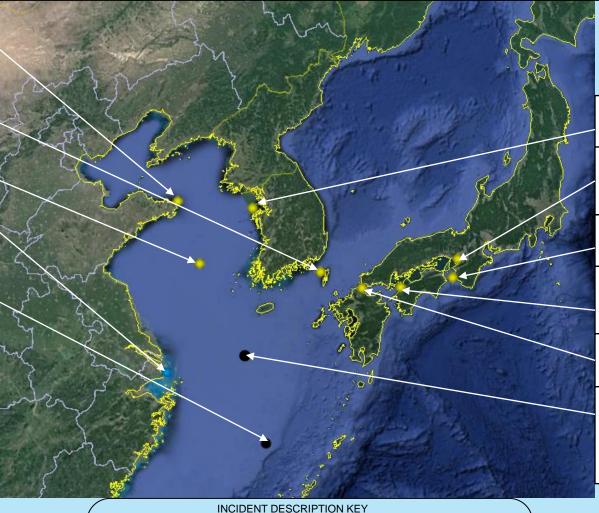
22 May - Sunk-Capsized/ General Cargo Vessel/ Seven Missing/SAR/ Yellow Sea, China/ DB250518

08 May - Incident/ Fire/ Tanker/ 55NM S Of Busan, South-Korea/ DB090518

08 May - Incident/ Mechanical Failure/ Product Tanker/ Yellow Sea/ DB100518

06 May - Fuel Smuggling/ Oil/ Ship/ Shanghai, China/ DB170518

19 May - Others/ Japan Releases New Images Of North Korea Sanctions Breach At Sea/ East China Sea/ DB300518



21 May - Incident/ Fire/ Car Carrier/ Incheon Port, South Korea/ DB220518

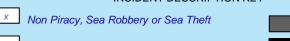
14 May - Collision/ General Cargo Vessel & Wharf/ No Injured/ Osaka, Japan/ DB180518

04 May - Incident/ Fire/ Container Vessel/ Rokko Island, Kobe, Japan/ DB110518

15 May - Collision/ General Cargo Vessel & Fishing Vessel/ No Injured/ Matsuyama, Japan/ DB180518

13 May - Collision/ Tanker vs Fishing Vessel/ Kanmon Strait Japan/ DB160518

24 May - Others/ UNSC Sanctioned Vessel/Ship to Ship Transfer/ DPRK Tanker & Unknown Origin Tanker/ 250NM East of Shanghai, China/ DB060618

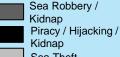


Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft

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Sea Theft

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PHILIPPINES & SULU SEA (1/2)

31 May – Incident/ Mechanical Failure/ Motor Boat/ No Casualty/ 24 Rescued/ SAR/ Occidental Mindoro, Philippines/ DB040618

19 May – Incident/ MOB/ Speedboat/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Coron, Philippines/ DB220518

03 May – Drug Smuggling/ Cocaine/ Palawan, Philippines/ DB160518

14 May – Incident/ Mechanical Failure/ Local Passenger Boat/ Six Rescued/ SAR/ Antique, Philippines/ DB170518

09 May – Two Local Fishing Vessels/ Eight Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ off Ragay Gulf, Philippines/ DB140518

05 May – Sunk-Capsized/ Local Passenger Boat/ Five Rescued/ SAR/ 2NM Off Baleno, Masbate, Philippines/ DB080518

12 May – Five Local Fishing Vessels/74 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ off Masbate, Philippines/ DB140518

01 May – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Barangay Old Sagay, Sagay City, Philppines/ DB030518

08 May – Collision/ Local Passenger Boat4 Vs LCT Navistar/ 32 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Estancia Port Iloilo, Philippines/ DB110518

11 May – Incident/ Mechanical Failure/ Small Boat/ Two Rescued/ SAR/ Boracay Island, Philippines/ DB140518





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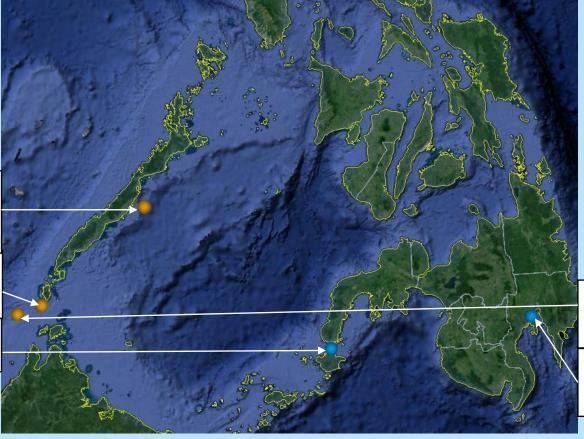
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PHILIPPINES & SULU SEA (2/2)

20 May – Two Local Fishing Vessels/ 12 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Palawan, Philippines/ DB210518

19 May – Two Foreign Fishing Vessels/20 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Philippines/ DB230518

27 May – Domestic Products Smuggling/ Rice/ Zamboanga City, Philippines/ DB280518



16 May – Three Local Fishing Vessels/24 Foreign Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing/22 NM from Balambangan Island, Malaysia

25 May – Domestic Products Smuggling/ Onions And Used Clothing/ Davao, Philippines/ DB280518



CELEBES SEA – NORTH SULAWESI NORTH MOLUKU ISLANDS

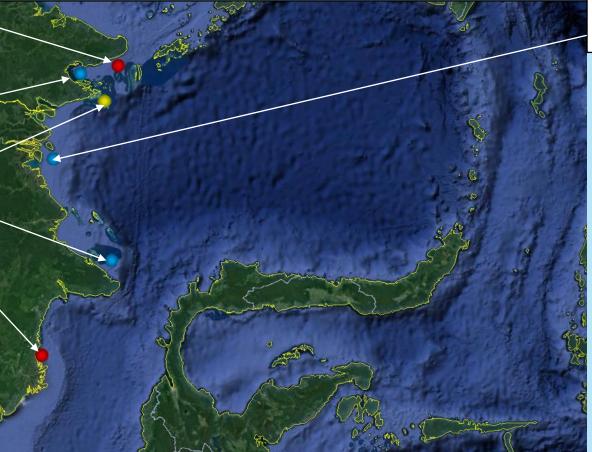
08 May – Attempted Action/ Four Suspects Shot Dead/ Felda Sahabat, Malaysia/ DB090518

08 May – Weapon Smuggling/ Over 10,000 Detonators/ Pump Boat/ Lahad Datu, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB090518

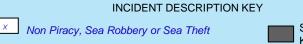
22 May – Incident/ Drowning/ SAR/ Pulau Sibuan, Malaysia/ DB240518

04 May – Natural Resources Smuggling/ Fertilizer/ General Cargo Ship/ Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB070518

06 May – Attempted Action/ Muara Berau Anchorage, Samarinda, Indonesia/ Marshall Islands-Flagged/ Bulk Carrier/ BALTIC SCORPION/ Anchored/ DB220518



28 May – Domestic Products Smuggling/ Cooking Oil/ Tawau, Malaysia/ DB300518



Attempted Boarding, Sea Robbery/Theft

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Sea Robbery /
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Sea Theft

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JAVA SEA – MAKASSAR STRAIT – BALI SEA - FLORES SEA

29 May – Sunk-Capsized/ 15 Fishing Vessels/ Lampung, Indonesia/ DB310518

19 May – Sea Robbery/ Tarahan Anchorage, Indonesia/ Panama-Flagged/ Bulk Carrier/ WANGARATTA/ Anchored/ DB240518

20 May – Sea Robbery/ Merak Anchorage, Indonesia/ Singapore-flagged/ Bulk Carrier/ CLOVER COLOSSUS/ Anchored/ DB220518



25 May – Incident/ Fire/ Oil Tanker/ Banjamarsin, Indonesia/ DB280518

26 May – Others/ Dugong Sellers Thwarted In West Sulawesi/ Polewali Mandar, Indonesia/ DB280518

23 May – Sunk-Capsized/ General Cargo Vessel/ 19 Rescued/ SAR/ Java Sea, Indonesia/ DB250518

19 May – Grounding/Landing Craft/ Gilimanuk, Indonesia/ DB230518

17 May – Incident/ Fire Onboard/ Ferry Boat/ 40 Rescued/ Bali, Indonesia/ DB180518



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



16 May – Drug Smuggling/ Cocaine/ Boat/ Solomon Sea, Papua New Guinea/ DB310518

26 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ 16 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Saibai Island, Torres Strait, Australia/ DB300518

13 May – One Foreign Fishing Vessel/ Three Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Torres Strait, Australia/ DB170518

Non Piracy, Sea Robbery or Sea Theft

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27 May - Incident/

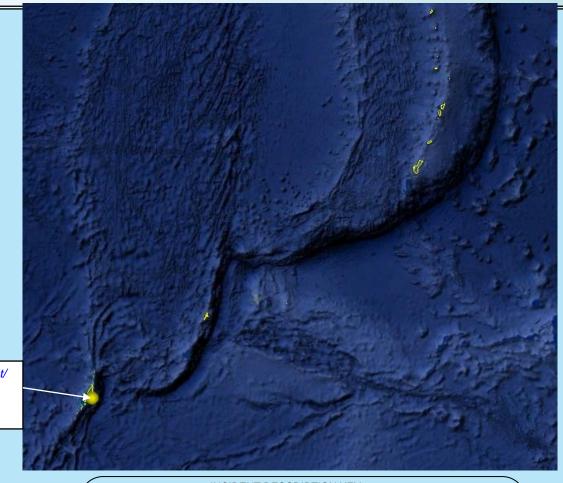
DB300518

Mechanical Failure/ Dinghy/

Four Rescued/ SAR/ 80 NM

North off Darwin, Australia/

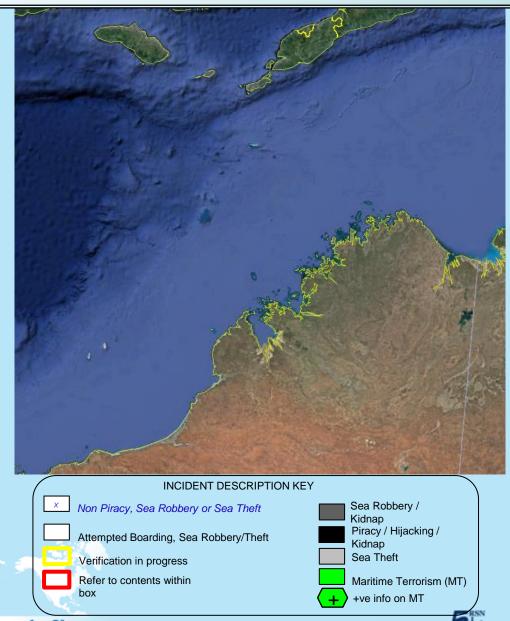
PACIFIC OCEAN - GUAM



27 May – Adrift/ One Small Boat/ One Fishermen Rescued/ Off Palau Island, Philippines/ DB040618

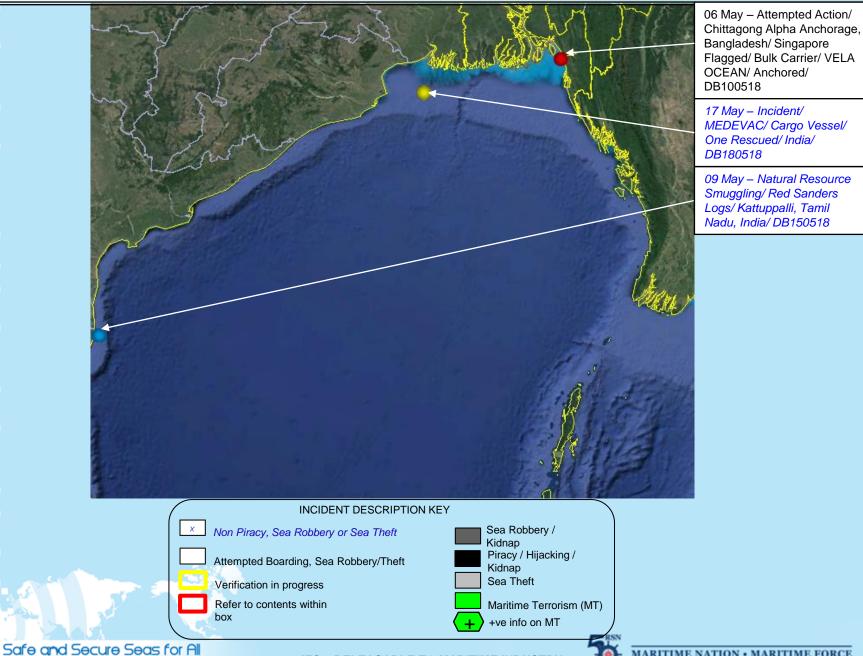


SAVU SEA – TIMOR SEA

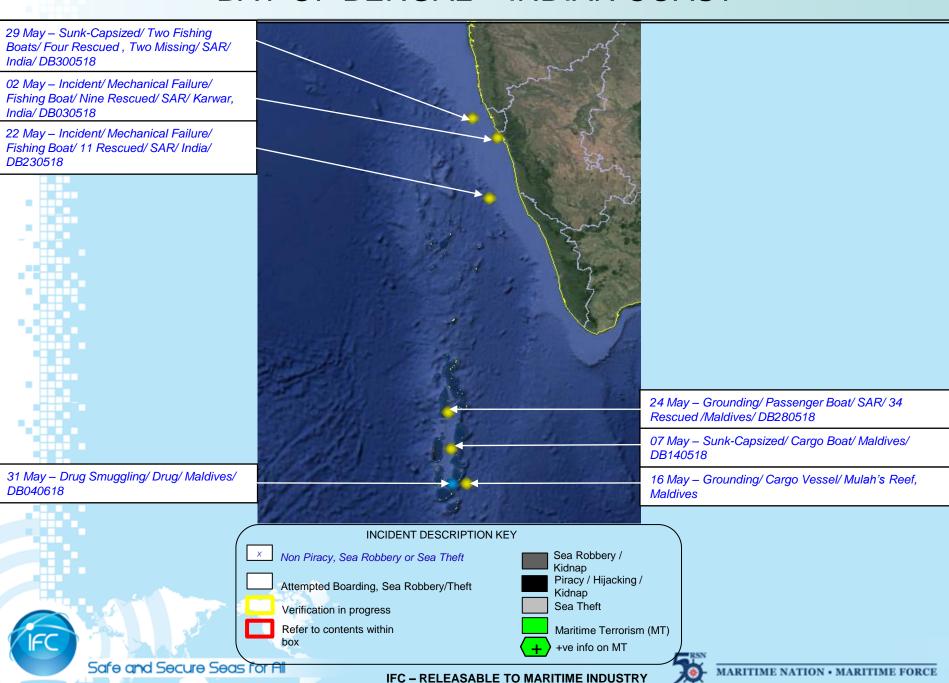




NORTH BAY OF BENGAL



BAY OF BENGAL - INDIAN COAST



SRI LANKA – PALK STRAIT

01 May – Natural Resources Smuggling/Gold/Small Boat/Tamil Nadu, India/ DB070518

15 May – Others/ Six Persons Onboard Suspicious Dinghy Held In Northern Seas/ Sri Lanka/ DB170518

11 May – One Local Dinghy/ Five Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Welvetithurai, Sri Lanka/ DB150518

24 May – Five Local Fishing Vessels/ 14 Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Point Pedro, Sri Lanka/ DB310518

30 May – Six Migrants From India Arrested/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Urumalai, Sri Lanka/ DB010618

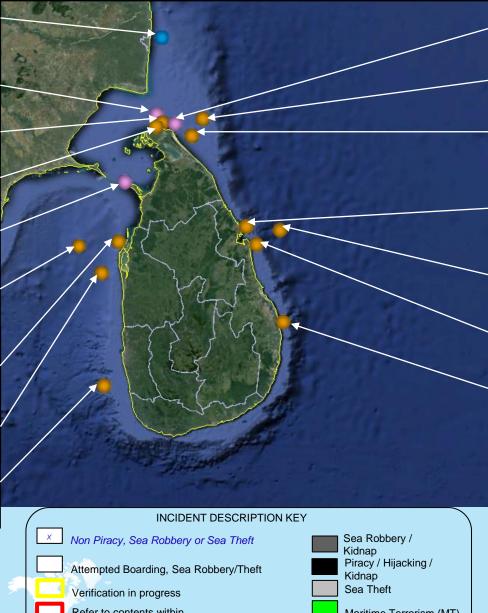
28 May – Two Local Fishing Boats/ Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Urumalai, Sri Lanka/ DB050618

09 May – One Local Dinghy/ Two Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Wellanmundalam, Sri Lanka/ DB150518

15 May – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Two Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Puttalam, Sri Lanka/ DB220518

15 May – Two Local Fishing Dinghies/ 15 Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Round Island, Sri Lanka/ DB220518

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05 May – Others/ Navy Intercepts Suspicious FGD With 14 Persons In Northern Seas/ DB140518

26 May – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Three Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Point Pedro, Sri Lanka/ DB310518

15 May – Five Local Fishing Vessels/ 15 Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Point Pedro, Sri Lanka/ DB220518

21 May – One Local Fishing Vessel/ 10 Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Elephant Island, Sri Lanka/ DB310518

15 May – One Local Fishing Vessel/ Nine Local Fishermen/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Norway Island, Sri Lanka/ DB220518

11 May – One Local Dinghy/Two Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Norway Island, Sri Lanka/ DB150518

09 May – One Local Dinghy/ Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Kalmune, Sri Lanka/ DB150518

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Maritime Terrorism (MT)
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RECOMMENDATIONS

IFC Advises:

- 1. All mariners to report any incidents in a timely manner to the nearest coastal state and the IFC at the earliest possible time.
- 2. Ships moving at slow speeds or 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 of a 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 1/18 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.

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