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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 08 - 14 Jan 22, the number of incidents reported by the IFC within the AOI are as follows:

Category	Number of Incidents	Page Reference
Theft, Robbery and Piracy at Sea (TRAPS)	5	2-5
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	6
Maritime Incidents (MI)	31	7-15
Illegal/ Unregulated/ Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	6	16-17
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	5	18-19
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	3	20
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	1	21
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	22
Others	0	23

SECTION A: THEFT, ROBBERY AND PIRACY AT SEA (TRAPS)

03 Jan - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ MID EAGLE/ Chemical/Products Tanker / Cayman Island-Flagged / Anchored / Kandla Anchorage, India / DB120122

1. On 03 Jan 22, 22:45 (UTC+8), a sea theft incident was reported onboard a Cayman Island flagged tanker MID EAGLE at Kandla Anchorage, India. Reportedly, the duty crew member noticed that three perpetrators who boarded the vessel whilst at the anchorage.

2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: MID EAGLE
- b. Callsign: ZGDV5
- c. IMO: 9330795
- d. MMSI: 319062200
- e. Flag: Cayman Islands
- f. Type: Chemical/Products Tanker
- g. Ship Owner: Midgard International II Ltd
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: Hansa Tankers AS
- i. NPOC: Port Rashid, Dubai, UAE

3. The alarm was raised, and a search was conducted onboard. It was reported that the perpetrators escaped with a total of 40 items (C-Pieces-02, Manifold Flanges-14, Elbows for VRL-16, Elbows for Common line Connections-6 and Cargo Reducer-2). No injuries were reported in the incident. The incident was reported to the local port authorities.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.recaap.org/resources/ck/files/Number%20of%20Incidents/2022/List%20of%20Incidents%20for%202022%20\(caa%2011%20Jan%202022\).pdf](https://www.recaap.org/resources/ck/files/Number%20of%20Incidents/2022/List%20of%20Incidents%20for%202022%20(caa%2011%20Jan%202022).pdf)

10 Jan - Attempted Boarding/ Sea Theft / No Injury/ MS CARLA/ Tanker / Malaysia-Flagged / Underway / Traffic Crossing Area, Singapore Strait / DB110122

1. POCC informed that a Malaysia-flagged tanker, MS CARLA, reported a sampan with five perpetrators attempted to board the vessel, while transiting in Traffic Crossing Area, Singapore Strait (01°13'46.2"N 103°32'09.8"E) on 10 Jan 22 at 2200 (UTC + 8).

2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: MS CARLA
- b. Callsign: 9M2053
- c. IMO: Infogap
- d. MMSI: 533131072
- e. Flag: Malaysia
- f. Type: Tanker
- g. Ship Owner: Infogap
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: Infogap
- i. LPOC: Port Klang, Malaysia
- j. NPOC: Singapore



3. Ship master reported that the perpetrators hooked up a ladder on the ship side and her crew sounded the alarm upon sighting it. The perpetrators retrieved the ladder and slipped off immediately. The vessel does not require any assistance and will proceed to Pilot Western Boarding Ground in Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

POCC - MPA

06 Jan - Hijacked/ Sea Robbery / No Injury/ GRAHA DUA SATU/ Oil Tanker / Indonesia-Flagged / Anchored / Off Morosi waters, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia / DB110122

1. On 6 Jan, GRAHA DUA SATU, deployed mainly in bunkering the ships anchored in Morosi waters, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia (~3°42'56.3"S 122°38'01.5"E), was boarded at night Jan 6. By Six masked pirates, armed with machetes, while the speed boat with outboard engine, which delivered them, with Two more pirates in it, circled around. Tanker at the time of hijack was anchored. Eight crew were herded into mess room and tied up. Later pirates forced the crew to take tanker to a specified position and after that, they've been locked in mess room again. Meanwhile, another ship or vehicle berthed alongside tanker, and understood part or all of cargo of diesel fuel was siphoned. Pirates left tanker in the morning Jan 7, robbing crew and ship of valuables (mainly electronics) and cash. Tanker sailed back to Morosi waters and anchored at around 0700 (UTC +7), reporting the piracy accident to the authorities. Investigation launched.

2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: GRAHA DUA SATU
- b. Callsign: Info Gap
- c. IMO: 8654041
- d. MMSI: Info Gap
- e. Flag: Indonesia
- f. Type: Product Tanker
- g. Ship Owner: Ekalima Graha & Co PT
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: Karbindo Alam Mulia
- i. NPOC: info Gap

3. It was reported Crew safe and no Injury. Part or all of cargo of diesel fuel was siphoned. The crew and ship of valuables (mainly electronics) and cash were stolen

IFC Comments:

This open-source information has not been verified or confirmed by ship/cargo owners, ILOs, OPCENs or local authorities. RFI has been sent to ship company for evidence of boarding and more incident details.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/10/bunker-tanker-hijacked-cargo-stolen-crew-robbed-indonesia/>

<https://republika.co.id/berita/r5gte3396/bajak-laut-satroni-kapal-spob-graha-21-di-perairan-morosi>

08 Jan - Boarding/ Sea Theft / No Injury/ BLUE SEA/ Crude Oil Tanker / Liberia-Flagged/ Underway / Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait / DB 100122

1. IFC received information from POCC that an unauthorised boarding occurred onboard a Liberia-flagged Crude Oil Tanker, BLUE SEA, while transiting along eastbound lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (1°16'31.2"N 104°16'32.4"E) on 08 Jan 22 at 0320 (UTC + 8).

2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: BLUE SEA
- b. Callsign: A8TK8
- c. IMO: 9413028
- d. MMSI: 636014379
- e. Flag: LIBERIA
- f. Type: Crude Oil Tanker
- g. Ship Owner: Blue Sea Navigation Co
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: Estoril Navigation Ltd
- i. NPOC: Kanokawa, Japan

3. Shipmaster reported that four perpetrators, with one armed with a knife, were sighted onboard. Perpetrators left the vessel after being sighted by the crew. No Injury was reported and nothing was stolen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

POCC

Company Security Officer

08 Jan - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ No Injury/ BOW SANTOS/ Tanker/ Norway-Flagged/ Underway/ Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB100122

1. POCC informed that a Norway-flagged tanker, BOW SANTOS, reported four unauthorised personnel boarded the vessel, while transiting along eastbound lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (1°16'10.8"N 104°13'57.6"E) on 08 Jan 22 at 0540 (UTC + 8).

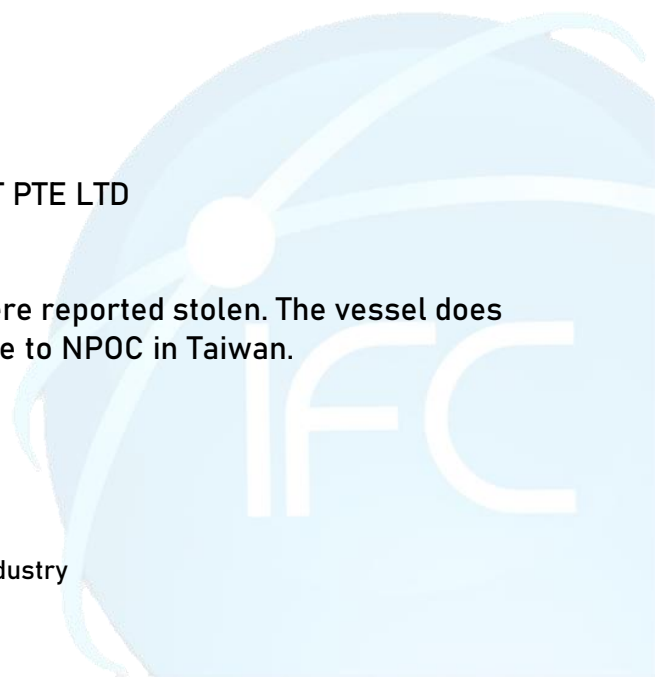
2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: BOW SANTOS
- b. Callsign: LAHJ7
- c. IMO: 9303651
- d. MMSI: 259887000
- e. Flag: NORWAY
- f. Type: Tanker
- g. Ship Owner: Odfjell Chemical Tankers AS
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: THOME SHIP MANAGEMENT PTE LTD
- i. NPOC: Taichung, Taiwan

3. All crew are safe and accounted for, and no items were reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC in Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

POCC



Company Security Officer (CSO)



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

12 Jan – Allision/ Bad Weather/ Bulk Carrier/ Off Oita Port, Japan/ DB140122

A bulk carrier allided with a wharf off Oita Port, Japan due to bad weather on 12 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/11969628/casualties#323161>

12 Jan – Collision/ Bad Weather/ General Cargo Ship Vs General Cargo Ship/ Off Kinuura, Japan/ DB140122

A general cargo ship collided with another general cargo ship off Kinuura, Japan due to bad weather on 12 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/363308/casualties#323139>

12 Jan – Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Anchoring/ Cargo Ship/ Off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia/ DB140122

Local authorities detained a cargo ship off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia for unauthorised anchoring on 12 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/293238102829922>

10 Jan – Grounding/ Engine Failure/ Small Boat/ 15 Rescued/ SAR/ Bukit, Lawa-lawa, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB140122

15 were rescued after their small boat ran aground at Bukit, Lawa-lawa, Sabah, Malaysia due to engine failure on 10 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.mindanews.com/top-stories/2022/01/15-filipinos-rescued-by-malaysian-maritime-agency-in-sabah/>
<https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1165202>

10 Jan – Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Anchoring/ Cargo Ship/ Off Pulau Jarak, Malaysia/ DB140122

Local authorities detained a cargo ship off Pulau Jarak, Malaysia for unauthorised anchoring on 10 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/293236636163402>



09 Jan – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 14 Rescued/ Off Ulawa Island, Makira Ulawa, Solomon Islands/ DB140122

14 were rescued after their small boat capsized off Ulawa Island, Makira Ulawa, Solomon Islands due to bad weather on 09 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/pacific/459524/second-body-found-memorial-service-held-for-victims-of-solomons-boating-tragedy>

11 Jan – Fire-Explosion/ Short Circuit/ Other Vessel/ Off Pattaya, Thailand/ DB130122

A yacht docked in Pattaya caught fire today, sending a dark cloud of smoke billowing above buildings along the coast. The Shiraz yacht docked at the Ocean Marina Yacht Club caught fire at around 1058 (UTC+7) today.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://thethaiger.com/news/pattaya/yacht-docked-at-pattaya-pier-catches-fire>
<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/36857/two-luxury-yachtsdevastated-fire-italy-and-thaila/>

11 Jan – Adrift/ Engine Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ SAR/ Off Cua Viet, Quang Tri, Viet Nam/ DB130122

Border guards of central Quang Tri, Viet Nam province successfully saved three fishermen in distress at sea on 11 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.vietnamplus.vn/quang-tri-border-guards-save-three-fishermen-indistress-at-sea/220562.vnp>

11 Jan – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ One Dead, 16 Rescued/ Off Pela Village, Buru Regency, Indonesia/ DB130122

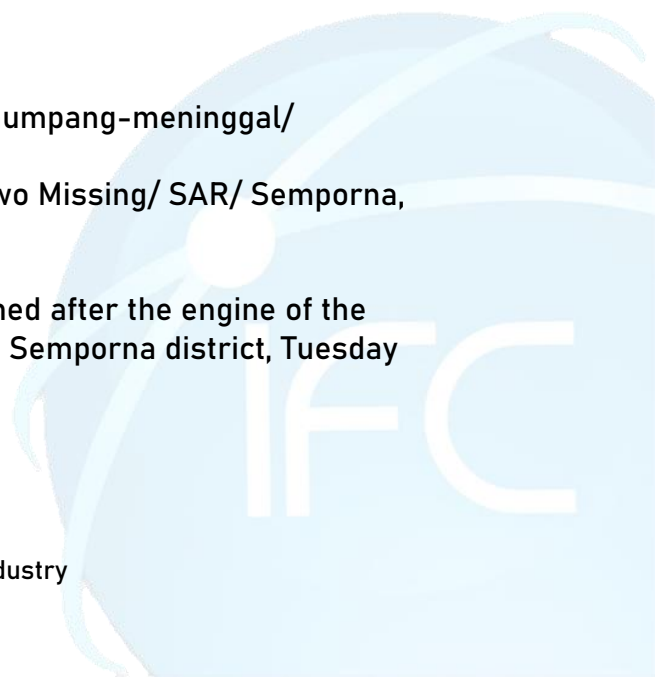
On 11 Jan at around 1300 (UTC+8), a longboat carrying 15 passengers and two crew overturned after getting hit by big waves off Pela Village, Buru Regency, Indonesia. Of the 17 passengers, one died as she could not swim.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://siwalimanews.com/longboat-terbalik-satu-penumpang-meninggal/>

11 Jan – Fire-Explosion/ Engine Failure/ Small Boat/ Two Missing/ SAR/ Semporna, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB130122

KOTA KINABALU: Two men are feared injured or drowned after the engine of the pump boat they were in malfunctioned and exploded in Semporna district, Tuesday (11 Jan).



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/01/12/two-men-missing-feared-injured-after-boat-engine-blows-up>

11 Jan – Collision/ Strong Wind/ Tug vs Vessel/ Obama Port, Fukui Prefecture, Japan/ DB130122

When the vessel was trying to berth at Obama Port, Fukui Prefecture, Japan, it was affected by strong wind and came in contact with a tugboat that was assisting with the steering, at around 1700 hrs, 11 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/13459622/casualties#323106>

10 Jan – Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Four Rescued/ SAR/ Gulf of Mannar, Off Moyal Theevu Island, Thoothukudi, India/ DB130122

In a swift operation, the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) on Monday 10 Jan, rescued four fishermen from a stranded fishing boat near Moyal Theevu Island in the Gulf of Mannar.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.republicworld.com/india-news/general-news/icg-rescues-4-fishermen-from-boat-stranded-in-gulf-of-mannar-due-to-inclement-weatherarticleshow.html>

https://twitter.com/Def_PRO_Chennai/status/1480580558874808321?cxt=HBwWgsCokZCLiowpAAAA&cn=ZmxleGlibGVfcmVjcw==&refsrc=email

09 Jan – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Civilian Landing Craft Tank/ Off Kutai, Kalimantan Indonesia, Indonesia/ DB130122

A Rimba Raya IX (civilian) Landing Craft Tank (LCT) ship overturned in off Kutai, Kalimantan Indonesia, Indonesia on Sunday 9 Jan. This incident occurred while the ship was being docked.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://korankaltim.com/read/headline/49665/hilang-keseimbangan-kapal-lctterbalik-saat-sandar-di-pelabuhan-desa-pelawan-sangkulirang-lima-unit-trukpengangkut-sawit-ikut-tenggelam>

Indonesian MCC

11 Jan – Others/ Plane Crash/ One Missing/ SAR/ Off Chiayi, Taiwan/ DB120122

Local authorities conducted a SAR after an F-16 jet lost connection with Chiayi Air Force Base and crashed into the sea off Chiayi, Taiwan on 11 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://tw.appledaily.com/politics/20220111/LGYJUFJGIBG4NCUF5R4L4XEPBA/>
<https://udn.com/news/story/10930/6025740>

09 Jan - Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Eight Rescued/ SAR/ Off Spratly Islands/ DB120122

On 09 Jan, local authorities conducted a SAR and rescued eight crew members after a fishing vessel ran aground in the Truong Sa (Spratly) waters.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.vietnamplus.vn/grounded-vessel-successfully-rescued-in-truong-sa-waters/220502.vnp>

08 Jan - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 15 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kinabatangan, Sandakan, Malaysia/ DB120122

On 08 Jan, local authorities conducted a SAR and rescued 15 Philippine nationals after a small boat drifted in Malaysian waters and almost capsized off Kinabatangan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2022/01/10/in-sabah-sandakan-mmea-rescue-philippine-teachers-after-their-ship-drifts-i/2034210>

https://www.bernama.com/en/crime_courts/news.php?id=2042110

09 Jan - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Anchoring/ Tug and Barge/ Off Penaga, Penang, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities detained a tug and barge for unauthorized anchoring off Penaga, Penang, Malaysia on 09 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/291784086308657>

08 Jan - MOB/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tangalle, Sri Lanka/ DB110122

One was rescued after falling overboard from a fishing vessel off Tangalle, Sri Lanka on 08 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

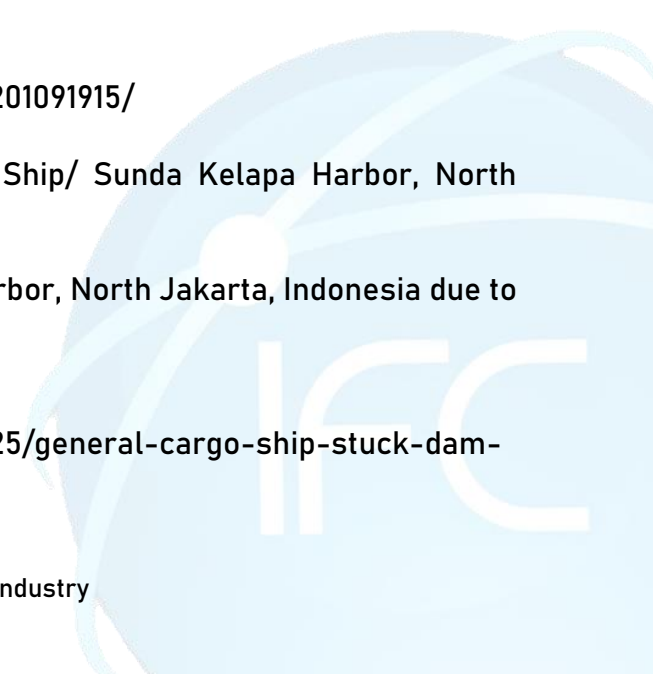
<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/01/09/202201091915/>

08 Jan - Grounding/ Bad Weather/ General Cargo Ship/ Sunda Kelapa Harbor, North Jakarta, Indonesia/ DB110122

A general cargo ship ran aground at Sunda Kelapa Harbor, North Jakarta, Indonesia due to bad weather on 08 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/36825/general-cargo-ship-stuck-dam-breached-sinking-jaka/>



<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/09/general-cargo-ship-stuck-on-dam-breached-sinking-jakarta/>

06 Jan - Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Product Tanker/ Kamafuli River, Chittagong, Bangladesh/ DB110122

A product tanker ran aground at Kamafuli River, Chittagong, Bangladesh due to bad weather on 06 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/06/tanker-in-load-ran-aground-chittagong/>

05 Jan - Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Barge/ Off Kaafu Atoll, Maldives/ DB110122

A barge ran aground off Kaafu Atoll, Maldives on 05 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://edition.mv/maldiveschina/23687>

04 Jan - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ Four Rescued/ SAR/ Nansha, Guangzhou, China/ DB110122

Four were rescued from a cargo ship that caught fire at Nansha, Guangzhou, China on 04 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://weibo.com/ttarticle/p/show?id=2309404723831393878694>

09 Jan - Adrift/ Engine Failure/ Small Boat/ 20 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kolkata, India/ DB100122

Local authorities conducted SAR after a small boat experienced engine failure off Kolkata, India on 09 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://twitter.com/prodefkolkata/status/1480089968773005312?s=24>

08 Jan - Sunk-Capsized (Collision)/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ One Dead, Four Rescued/ SAR/ Off Jang Island, Jindo, South Jeolla Province, ROK/ DB100122

Local authorities conducted SAR after two fishing vessels collided. Four were rescued, one crew member died. The incident occurred off Jang Island, Jindo, South Jeolla Province, ROK on 08 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20220108002600315>

<https://www.mbn.co.kr/news/society/4676787>



08 Jan – Others/ Anchor Chains Entanglement/ Bulk Carrier vs Unknown Vessel/ Yangtze Estuary, Hubei, China/ DB100122

A Bulk carrier's anchor chain got entangled with the chain of another ship, on 08 Jan, in Yangtze estuary between Chongming island and Taicang, in the Shanghai area. Floating crane and tugs responded, trying to disengage the chains and free the ships.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/09/accident-caused-by-mass-pilots-quarantines-shanghai/>

08 Jan – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Five Rescued/ SAR/ Off Galle Harbour, Sri Lanka/ DB100122

Local authorities rescued five fishermen after a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather on 08 Jan, off Galle Harbour, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/01/08/202201082115/>

07 Jan – Others/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ Off Ferozepur, Punjab, India/ DB100122

Local authorities seized an abandoned boat near the border outpost in Ferozepur district of Punjab. Ferozepur is a sensitive district because of its proximity to the international border with Pakistan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://hindustantimes.com/cities/delhi-news/bsf-seizes-pakistani-boat-near-ferozepur-in-punjab-101641671039662.html>

07 Jan – Adrift/ Engine Failure/ Tanker/ Off Sea of Japan/ DB100122

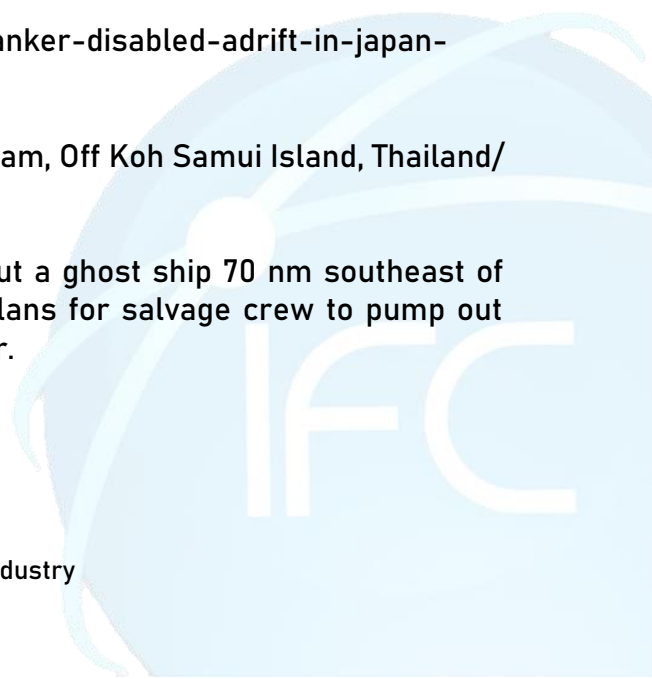
A tanker was disabled after experiencing engine failure and went adrift in the Sea of Japan at around 0600 (UTC+12) on 7 Jan, while en route to South Korea. As of 1230 (UTC+12), the ship was still adrift.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/07/russian-tanker-disabled-adrift-in-japan-sea/>

07 Jan – Adrift/ Abandoned Ship/ Cargo Ship/ Gulf of Siam, Off Koh Samui Island, Thailand/ DB100122

Local authorities responded after being informed about a ghost ship 70 nm southeast of Koh Samui Island, Gulf of Sia, on 07 Jan. There are plans for salvage crew to pump out water and ballast the ship, before towing her to shelter.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/08/ghost-cargo-ship-drifted-into-gulf-of-siam-no-traces-of-crew-or-owner-many-pics/>

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/36813/ghost-cargo-ship-drifted-gulf-siam-no-traces-crew-/>

06 Jan - Mechanical Failure/ Rope Entanglement/ Passenger Ship/ Off Semau Island, Indonesia/ DB100122

A passenger ship suffered an engine failure on 06 Jan, en route from Semau Island to the port of Bolok Kupang. The ship's propeller got caught in the ropes of another ship. The repairs took a while. Divers removed the rope and the ferry continued the voyage to the port of Bolok.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Kmp.namparnos-8998851.html>

05 Jan - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Five Rescued, One Missing/ SAR/ Off Tamil Nadu, Chennai, India/ DB100122

Five Sri Lankan fishermen have been rescued by a cargo ship, en route from Merak to Laem Cabang, 170 nautical miles east of Chennai, Tamil Nadu, after the Beruwala-based fishing vessel capsized off the coast of the Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Ym-Summit-9802229.html>

Information Updates:

11 Jan - Fire-Explosion/ Explosion/ Engine Issues/ Small Boat/ Two Missing/ SAR/ Semporna, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB140122
(Information Update to DB130122)

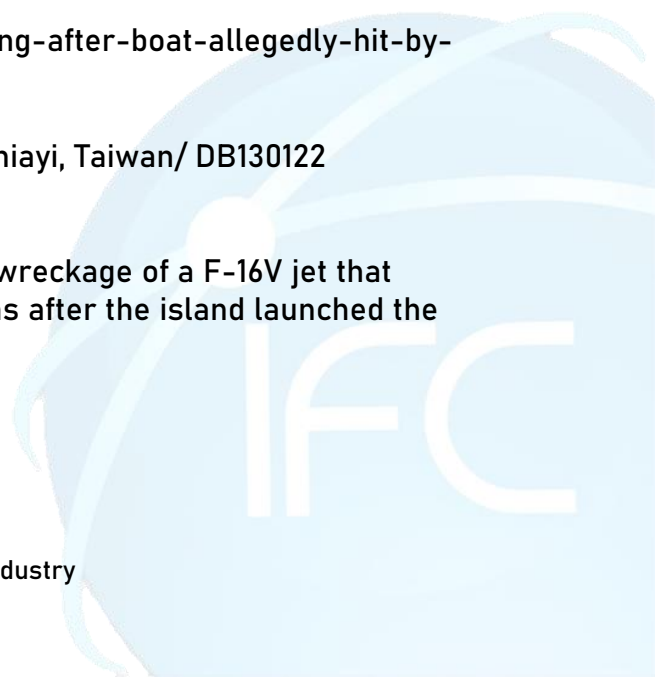
Updated that both victims who are said to be passengers allegedly fell into the sea when their boat was believed hit by a fish bomb.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.theborneopost.com/2022/01/12/duo-missing-after-boat-allegedly-hit-by-fish-bomb/>

11 Jan - Others/ Plane Crash/ One Missing/ SAR/ Off Chiayi, Taiwan/ DB130122
(Information Update to DB120122)

Taiwanese rescuers on Wednesday 12 Jan located the wreckage of a F-16V jet that crashed into the sea a day before, less than two months after the island launched the first squadron of its most advanced fighters.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.straitstimes.com/asia/east-asia/taiwan-grounds-f-16-fighters-assearch-continues-for-crashed-jet>

<https://tw.appledaily.com/politics/20220111/LGYJUFJGIBG4NCUF5R4L4XEPBA/>

<https://udn.com/news/story/10930/6025740>

01 Jan – Missing/ Unknown Cause/ Small Boat/ Two Dead, 12 Missing/ SAR/ Off Gizo, Solomon Islands/ DB130122
(Information Update to DB070122)

Fourteen people are missing at sea in Solomon Islands after a boat they were travelling in failed to reach its destination.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.solomontimes.com/news/another-body-from-missing-boatrecovered/11452>

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/459135/body-found-in-searchfor-missing-14-in-solomons>

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/459030/fourteen-people-aremissing-at-sea-in-solomon-island>

07 Jan – Adrift/ Abandoned Ship/ Cargo Ship/ Gulf of Siam, Off Koh Samui Island, Thailand/ DB110122
(Information Update to DB100122)

Updated that the ship sank off Sichon, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand while being towed.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2244559/old-abandoned-ship-sinks-while-being-towed-ashore>

03 Jan – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Missing, Two Rescued/ SAR/ Off V.Fuhsaru, Maldives/ DB060122
(Information Update to DB050122)

Updated that local authorities have concluded the operation to find the missing boat captain.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

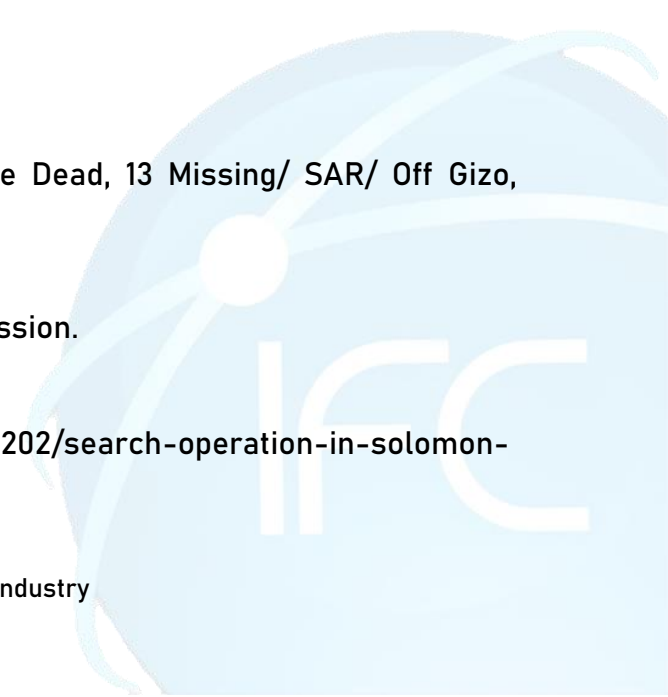
<https://en.sun.mv/71695>

01 Jan – Missing/ Unknown Cause/ Small Boat/ One Dead, 13 Missing/ SAR/ Off Gizo, Solomon Islands/ DB100122
(Information Update to DB070122)

Updated SAR mission have phased into a recovery mission.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/459202/search-operation-in-solomon-islands-moves-to-recovery>



15 Dec – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 21 Dead, 29 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tanjung
Balau, Johor, Malaysia/ DB100122
(Information Update to DB211221)

An update of the number of illegal immigrants missing and rescued

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/42484920943118>



SECTION D: ILLEGAL/ UNREGULATED/ UNREPORTED FISHING (IUUF)

10 Jan - Poaching/ Three Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 32 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ North Natuna Sea, Indonesia/ DB130122

The warships of the Republic of Indonesia (KRI) Tjiptadi (TPD)-381 and KRI Tuanku Imam Bonjol (IBL)-383 captured three foreign fishing vessels with a Vietnamese flag in the North Natuna Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://m.republika.co.id/berita/r5mf8q396/tiga-kapal-vietnam-curi-ikan-di-lautnatuna-utara>

<https://nasional.tempo.co/read/1549117/tni-al-tangkap-3-kapal-ikan-berbenderavietnam-di-laut-natuna-utara>

<https://en.tempo.co/read/1549201/indonesian-navy-nabs-3-vietnamese-fishingboats-over-north-natuna>

10 Jan - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ No Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Pulau Gaya, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities detained a fishing vessel for illegal fishing methods off Pulau Gaya, Malaysia on 10 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/01/10/authorities-on-the-hunt-for-fishermen-who-used-blast-fishing-off-pulau-gaya>

09 Jan - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia on 09 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/291751329645266>

09 Jan - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ One Foreign and Four Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Kuala Kedah Estuary, Kedah, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested one foreign, and four local fishermen for illegal fishing methods off Kuala Kedah Estuary, Kedah, Malaysia on 09 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/01/10/mmea-detains-five-fishermen-for-using-illegal-traps>

09 Jan - Poaching/ One Pakistani Fishing Vessel Detained/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Gujarat Coast, India/ DB100122

Local authorities apprehended a fishing boat with 10 crew members in Indian waters in the Arabian Sea off the Gujarat coast.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/nation/pak-boat-with-10-of-crew-seized-off-gujarat-coast-359786>

06 Jan - Poaching/ Two Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 13 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Tok Bali, Kelantan, Malaysia/ DB100122

Local authorities detained 2 Vietnamese fishing boats along with 13 crew members who entered Kelantan waters. Both boats did not have a permit to fish and committed an offence.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/290172666469799>

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/424851389430963>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

11 Jan – Others/ Air Rifles (5 rifles)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Pulau Sialu, Batu Pahat, Malaysia/ DB140122

Local authorities seized five air rifles from an unknown vessel that arrived at Pulau Sialu, Batu Pahat, Malaysia from Indonesia on 11 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/01/12/mmea-foils-bid-to-smuggle-five-air-rifles>

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/293042379516161>

11 Jan – Domestic Products/ Alcohol (30 Cartons)/ Unknown Vessel/ Kampong Ujung, Temburong District, Brunei/ DB130122

An attempt to smuggle 30 cartons of alcohol in the Temburong District was busted by the Royal Brunei Police Force (RBPF).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2022/01/12/brunei-policefoil-alcohol-smuggling-attempt>

10 Jan – Fuel/ Diesel (90,000 litres)/ Oil Tanker/ Off Miri River, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities seized 90,000 litres of diesel from an oil tanker off Miri River, Malaysia on 10 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/291727989647600>

28 Dec – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (7.9 million sticks)/ Container Ship/ From China to Malaysia/ Off Pasir Gudang Port, Johor, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities seized 7.9 million sticks of cigarettes from a container ship that came from China off Pasir Gudang Port, Johor, Malaysia on 28 Dec.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/01/09/johor-customs-seizes-over-rm87mil-worth-of-illegal-ciggies-and-zam-zam-water>

<https://www.facebook.com/JabatanKastamDirajaMalaysia/posts/232838632364607>

08 Jan - Wildlife/ 30 Kittens & Seven Puppies, 48 Boxes of Frozen Animal Genitals/ Speedboat/ From Hong Kong to Mainland China/ Hong Kong/ DB100122

On 08 Jan, 37 pedigree kittens and puppies were confiscated along with frozen animal genitals in a Hong Kong anti-smuggling operation, the year's first major contraband seizure.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2022/01/08/hong-kong-authorities-seize-dozens-of-pedigree-pets-hk41-million-worth-of-frozen-animal-genitals-in-anti-smuggling-operation>

Information Updates:

31 Dec - Wildlife/ Sea Turtles (32 Turtles)/ Three Fishing Vessels/ Off Bali, Indonesia/ DB110122

(Information Update to DB040122)

Updated that the sea turtles have been released into the ocean.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thejakartapost.com/indonesia/2022/01/09/bali-releases-33-sea-turtles-after-rescue-from-poachers.html>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

12 Jan – Human Smuggling/ Six Myanmar Migrants Going to Thailand/ Small Boat/ Ranong, Thailand/ DB140122

Local authorities arrested six Myanmar migrants on a small boat at Ranong, Thailand on 12 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Thailand Maritime Enforcement Command Centre (THAI – MECC) 3rd Area Command

10 Jan – Human Smuggling/ Three Indonesian Migrants going from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Titingan, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB110122

Local authorities arrested three Indonesian Migrants at Titingan, Sabah, Malaysia on 10 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/425526049363497>

07 Jan – Human Smuggling/ Seven Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Small Boat/ Sabah, Malaysia/ DB100122

Seven unlicensed foreign migrants who were Indonesian were smuggled into Sabah via the territorial waters and were successfully detained at a bus terminal.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/423719316210837>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

08 Jan – MARPOL/ Liquid/ Oil Leak/ Cargo Ship/ Oil Slicks on Surface/ Off Sichon, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand/ DB110122

Oil had leaked from a cargo ship that sank off Sichon, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Thailand on 08 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2244559/old-abandoned-ship-sinks-while-being-towed-ashore>



SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

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SECTION I: OTHERS

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IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

The IFC advises:

1. All mariners to report any maritime security incidents timely to the nearest coastal state and inform the IFC at the earliest possible time.
2. All mariners are strongly recommended to be vigilant, in particularly when operating in IFC identified hotspots (Sulu-Celebes seas, Eastbound lane of Traffic Separation Scheme in Singapore Strait, Jakarta Port in Indonesia and South Harbor Anchorage in Philippines).
3. All mariners are advised to adopt Ship Protection Measures recommended in the Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia (e.g., illuminating the accommodation block and poop deck, deploying sentries and increase frequency of security rounds).
4. 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.
5. All mariners are advised to participate in IFC Voluntary Community Reporting (VCR) as depicted in MARSEC Chart Q6112 and Q6113. In case of any doubt, incident at sea, suspicious approach or unusual observed activity at sea, please contact the IFC Duty Officer:

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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.



PAST IFC SPOT COMMENTARIES/ANALYST JOURNAL

2021

IFC Spot Commentary 01/21 - Observations of Sea Robbery and Sea Theft in Manila South Harbour Anchorage, Philippines

2020

Spot Commentary 2/20 - Observations of Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Eastbound Land of Singapore Strait

Analyst Journal 2/20 - Observations of Rohingya Migrants' Movement within the IFC Area of Interest (AOI)

Analyst Journal 1/20 - Sea Robberies, Sea Thefts and Attempted Actions in the Singapore Strait and Approaches

IFC SPOT COMMENTARY 01/20 - Observations of Sea Robbery, Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Manilla and Batangas anchorage.

2019

IFC Spot Commentary 3/19 - Observations of Sea Robbery, Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Singapore Strait and Approaches

IFC Spot Commentary 2/19 - Observations of TRAPS incidents in the Southern Approaches-South China Sea (SCS) since 31 May to 26 Sep 2019

IFC Spot Commentary 1/19 - Observations of TRAPS incidents in the area off Tg Piai, Malaysia/Western Approaches-Singapore Strait since 1 January to 27 May 2019

2018

IFC Spot Commentary 4/18 - Observations between 5 to 8 December for incidents in the Sulu-Celebes Sea/Eastern Sabah

IFC Spot Commentary 3/18 - Kidnapping Incident of Two Crew on Fishing Vessel "DWIJAYA 1", Off Semporna.

IFC Spot Commentary 2/18 - Attempted Actions on Tug boat "EVER ALPHA", Pulau Tambisan, Malaysia.

IFC Spot Commentary 1/18 - Observations on Sea Theft and Robberies recorded in Singapore Strait and its approaches - January to December 2017.

2017

IFC Spot Commentary 5/17 - Abduction of 5 Local Fishermen off Poblacion coast, Pangutaran, Sulu, Philippines.

IFC Spot Commentary 4/17 - Attempted Piracy / Oil Siphoning Incident on Oil Tanker MT MGT 1, Malaysia.

IFC Spot Commentary 3/17 - Abduction of Crew from SUPER SHUTTLE TUGBOAT 1, Basilan Strait.

IFC Spot Commentary 2/17 - Abduction of Crew of Giang Hai off Sibutu Passage.

IFC Spot Commentary 1/17 – Kidnapping, Harassment and Suspicious Activities in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.

2016

IFC Spot Commentary 2/16 – Kidnapping, Harassment and Suspicious Activities in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.

IFC Spot Commentary 1/16 – Kidnapping at Sea by Armed Groups in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.



Note: Information herein were 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 Tugs and Barge Guide, Guide for Tankers Operating in Asia, or Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia). Ship masters should also be aware and refer to the Maritime Security Charts Q6112 and Q6113, both published by the UK Hydrographic Office.



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