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



For the period of 17 Sep – 23 Sep 22, the number of incidents reported by the IFC within the AOI are as follows:

Category	Number of Updates	Number of Incidents	Page Reference
Theft, Robbery and Piracy at Sea (TRAPS)	0	2	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	2	23	4-9
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	10	10-12
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	15	13-16
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	6	17-18
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	0	19
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	20
Others	0	0	21



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

Incidents:

17 Sep - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ Tug and Barge/ Singapore-Flagged/ Underway / Westbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB190922

1. POCC informed that a Singapore-Flagged Tug and Barge reported eight perpetrators from four sampans boarded the barge when transiting easterly along Westbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (1°17'34.2"N 104°09'28.8"E) on 17 Sep 22 at 1650 (UTC + 8).

2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe, and some scrap metal were reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
IFC Watchfloor

Out of Reporting Period:

09 Sep - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Minor Injury/ Fishing Vessel/ Viet Nam Flagged/ Underway/ Off Spratly Islands, South China Sea/ DB190922

The crewmember said that while he and his boatmates were catching fish in the Truong Sa waters, a strange canoe attacked with a gun. They fired several rounds at him, and one bullet pierced his left foot. In the middle of the night, the wound bled so much that he fainted.

Reporting to the Quang Ngai Border Guard, the skipper said that the attack happened around 10pm on September 9. At this time, the skipper was using 2 canoes for fishing when he discovered 3 people speaking foreign languages, traveling on canoes and armed with weapons. Taking advantage of the dark night, they approached one of his two boats to control and take away some fishing gear and seafood. After robbing the property, they saw the other boat running away and fired several shots, seriously injuring crewman. After suppressing, robbing property and shooting injured people, the foreign canoe left.

IFC Comments:

Viet Nam ILO has shared that the Viet Nam authorities are currently investigating the incident.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/quang-ngai-xac-minh-vu-thuyen-vien-hanh-nghe-tren-vung-bien-truong-sa-bi-ban-trong-thuong-post454505.html>

SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Information Updates:

14 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 1 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Parit Hailam, Johor, Malaysia/ DB200922
(Information Update on DB160922)

It was updated from news source that "The body of one of two fishermen who went missing after their boat sank in Parit Hailam waters was recovered on 19 September.

Batu Pahat Maritime Zone director Maritime Commander Mohd Haniff Mohd Yunus said the body was found stuck in a net at a depth of 40 metres. The body was retrieved at 11.45am (UTC+8) by divers hired by the victim's family, he told a press conference at his office.

"Divers are still trying to locate the other victim, believed trapped in the sunken boat. Efforts to refloat the boat are continuing amid bad weather," he added".

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2022/09/19/body-of-fisherman-in-batu-pahat-boat-capsize-incident-found/29047>

13 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 23 Rescued/ SAR/ Arafura Sea, Australia/ DB200922
(Information Update on DB160922)

It was updated from a news source that the ship that sunk was a fishing vessel and the date of incident was 13 September.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://daerah.sindonews.com/read/886457/174/kapal-ikan-terbalik-di-laut-arafura-australia-kerahkan-pesawat-bantu-operasi-sar-1663283393>

Incidents:

22 Sep - Collision/ Cause Unknown/ Tanker vs Fishing Vessel/ Off Kochi Coast, India/ DB230922

On 22 Sep, a tanker collided with a fishing vessel off Kochi Coast, India. The cause of incident is unknown.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/kozhikode/fishers-seek-govt-intervention-to-track-ship-that-hit-boat-from-beypore/article65922582.ece>

21 Sep - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Naic, Cavite, Philippines/ DB230922

On 21 Sep, a small boat went adrift off Naic, Cavite, Philippines due to bad weather. Two people were rescued, SAR is ongoing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/topstories/regions/845683/pcg-rescues-2-distressed-fishermen-off-naic-cavite/story/>

20 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 2 Missing, 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Mukah, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB230922

On 20 Sep, a fishing vessel capsized off Mukah, Sarawak, Malaysia. One person have been reported to be found dead and two others are still missing while eight have been rescued. The cause of incident is unknown, SAR is ongoing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/09/22/mmea-rescues-two-fisherman-after-their-boat-sank-near-mukah-nine-still-missing>

<https://www.theborneopost.com/2022/09/22/six-men-rescued-one-found-dead-after-boat-capsizes-near-mukah-sar-continues-for-two-men/>

18 Sep - Allision (Sunk-Capsized)/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ 1 Dead, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Cat Ba, Hai Phong, Viet Nam/ DB230922

On 18 Sep, a cargo vessel had an allision which cause it to sink off Cat Ba, Hai Phong, Viet Nam. One person has been reported to be found dead and two others were rescued. The cause of incident is unknown.

IFC Comments:

This article was translated to English by Viet Nam ILO

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://vmrcc.gov.vn/tin-tuc/chim-tau-hang-o-cat-ba-mot-nguoi-mat-tich-988.html>

<https://www.qdnd.vn/xa-hoi/tin-tuc/tim-thay-thi-the-thuyen-vien-bi-mat-tich-705854>

21 Sep - Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Tug and Barge/ Off Hambantota, Sri Lanka/ DB220922

On 21 Sep, a tug and barge went adrift off Hambantota, Sri Lanka. The cause of incident is unknown.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39593/tug-barge-disabled-drifting-hambantota-sri-lanka/>



21 Sep - Allision/ Bad Weather/ Passenger Vessel vs Breakwater/ Nakajima Port, Nakajima Island, Japan/ DB220922

On 21 Sep, a passenger vessel came into an allision with the breakwater at Nakajima Port, Nakajima Island, Japan due to bad weather.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39597/ferry-ran-breakwater-japan-video/>

20 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Rangabali, Bangladesh/ DB210922

On 20 Sep, a fishing vessel capsized off Rangabali, Bangladesh due to bad weather. Six people were rescued, SAR is ongoing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.risingbd.com/english/country/news/89632>

19 Sep - Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Bulk Carrier/ 25 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Chengshan, Weihai, China/ DB210922

On 19 Sep, a bulk carrier went aground off Chengshan, Weihai, China due to bad weather. 25 people were rescued, SAR is ongoing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39585/bulk-carrier-drifted-aground-25-crew-evacuated-yel/>

18 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Bagan Lipas, Malaysia/ DB190922

On 18 Sep, a fishing vessel had sunk off Bragan Lipas, Malaysia. SAR was conducted where 1 victim was found dead while 2 were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2022/09/18/perak-mmea-director-fisherman-missing-in-bagan-lipas-boat-capsize-incident-found-drowned/28831>

18 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tamil Nadu, India/ DB190922

On 18 Sep, four were rescued after a fishing vessel had sunk off Tamil Nadu, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://twitter.com/Def_PRO_Chennai/status/1571350547369971718

17 Sep - Missing/ Mechanical Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 4 Rescued/ Off Thondi, Tamil Nadu, India/ DB190922

On 17 Sep, a fishing vessel had gone missing due to a mechanical failure off Thondi, Tamil Nadu, India. Four fishermen were rescued with one still missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Madurai/four-country-boat-fishermen-from-thondi-rescued-one-missing/article65900304.ece>

17 Sep - Sunk-Capsized (Collision)/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel vs Tanker/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Chattogram, Bangladesh/ DB190922

On 17 Sep, a fishing vessel collided with a tanker which resulted in SAR with 4 rescued off Chattogram, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/op-ed/2022/09/09/taking-the-next-step>

17 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ Off Southern Leyte, Philippines/ DB190922

On 17 Sep, a fishing vessel sunk due to bad weather with 1 rescued off Southern Leyte, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1665910/fisherman-rescued-after-2-days-11-5-hours-adrift-on-capsized-boat>

17 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Barge/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Labuan, Malaysia/ DB190922

On 17 Sep, a barge sunk due to bad weather off Labuan, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and 5 were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.theborneopost.com/2022/09/17/five-rescued-after-barge-sinks-in-labuan/>

Out of Reporting Period:

16 Sep - Adrift (Engine Failure)/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Negros Occidental, Philippines/ DB210922

On 16 Sep, a fishing vessel went adrift off Negros Occidental, Philippines due to engine failure from bad weather. One person was rescued, SAR is ongoing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/topstories/regions/845238/missing-negros-occidental-fisherman-rescued-off-hinoba-an/story/>

13 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Cargo Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kutai, Indonesia/ DB200922

On 13 Sep, a cargo vessel capsized off Kutai, Indonesia due to bad weather. Five people were rescued. SAR is ongoing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.msn.com/id-id/berita/nasional/km-mahkota-tenggelam-dihantam-gelombang-besar-begini-nasib-3-abk-yang-sempat-hilang/ar-AA11SK98?li=AAfu64g>

<https://www.jpnn.com/news/mohon-doanya-km-mahkota-tenggelam-3-abk-hilang-ini-daftar-namanya>

16 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Human Error/ Passenger Vessel/ 1 Dead, 19 Rescued/ Masalembu Port, East Java, Indonesia/ DB190922

On 16 Sep, a passenger vessel caught fire due to a human error which resulted in 1 dead and 19 rescued at Masalembu Port, East Java, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Sabuk-Nusantara-91-9848065.html>

<https://www.suara.com/news/2022/09/17/055000/sempat-terbakar-di-masalembu-km-sabuk-nusantara-lanjutkan-perjalanan>

<https://news.okezone.com/read/2022/09/16/519/2669089/km-sabuk-nusantara-91-terbakar-di-masalembu-sumenep-satu-orang-tewas>

15 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Tanker/ SAR/ Sunda Strait, Indonesia/ DB190922

On 15 Sep, a tanker caught fire and SAR was conducted at Sunda Strait, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Sabuk-Nusantara-91-9848065.html>

<https://www.suara.com/news/2022/09/17/055000/sempat-terbakar-di-masalembu-km-sabuk-nusantara-lanjutkan-perjalanan>

<https://news.okezone.com/read/2022/09/16/519/2669089/km-sabuk-nusantara-91-terbakar-di-masalembu-sumenep-satu-orang-tewas>

15 Sep - Adrift/ Medical Issue/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead/ SAR/ Pacific Ocean/ DB190922

On 15 Sep, a fishing vessel was adrift with one dead in the Pacific Ocean.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Chin-Long-Cheng-No18-12787086.html>

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39557/captain-died-crew-cant-navigate-waiting-cg-cg-wait/>

15 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Tanker/ 1 Dead, 19 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Maharashtra, India/ DB190922

On 15 Sep, a tanker had sunk due to water ingress where 19 was rescued off Maharashtra, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39553/bitumen-tanker-listed-abandoned-still-afloat-arabi/>

<https://indianexpress.com/article/explained/102-metre-long-carrier-vessel-parth-sunk-arabian-sea-8157009/>

15 Sep - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Other Vessel/ Off Qidong, Nantong, China/ DB190922

On 15 Sep, a vessel was adrift due to bad weather off Qidong, Nantong, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.offshore-mag.com/special-reports/article/14282942/kosmos-energy-provides-update-on-greater-tortue-ahmeyim-fpso>

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Gta-Tortue-9909716.html>

14 Sep - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Other Vessel/ Qidong, Nantong, China/ DB190922

On 14 Sep, a vessel was adrift due to bad weather on Qidong, Nantong, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://maritime-executive.com/article/typhoon-mufia-hits-shanghai-and-damages-newbuild-at-shipyard>

06 Sep - MOB/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing/ SAR / Off Penghu County, Taiwan/ DB190922

On 06 Sep, a fishing vessel had a MOB which resulted in 1 missing off Penghu County, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://focustaiwan.tw/society/202209070007>



SECTION D: ILLEGAL, UNREGULATED AND UNREPORTED FISHING (IUUF)

Incidents:

21 Sep - Poaching/ 2 Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 12 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessels)/ Off Kuala Kuantan, Pahang, Malaysia/ DB230922

On 21 Sep, local authorities detained two Vietnamese fishing vessels off Kuala Kuantan, Pahang, Malaysia. 12 foreign fishermen were arrested due to having invalid license of their fishing vessels.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaysiakini.com/news/636624>

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2022/09/22/fisheries-dept-detains-two-vessels-12-vietnamese-fishermen/29528>

21 Sep - Local/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local and 2 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (Unauthorised Fishing Area)/ Off Gertak Sanggul, Penang, Malaysia/ DB230922

On 21 Sep, local authorities detained a fishing vessel off Gertak Sanggul, Penang, Malaysia. Three fishermen were arrested for fishing in unauthorised areas.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02Pk4Lk8wxN5KvEf5xCUS4rzZHAKrRar51Rh6SHXu2zv8MNF1atD5Hdnf81PRBV7JpEl>

20 Sep - Poaching/ 1 Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of a Fishing Vessel)/ Off Tok Bali, Kelantan, Malaysia/ DB230922

On 20 Sep, local authorities detained a Vietnamese fishing vessel off Tok Bali, Kelantan, Malaysia. Five foreign fishermen were arrested due to having invalid license of their fishing vessel.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0p9RTMwDHU9mk1DS2mdCnyGb6KF7uaCU27eVnt5qHnHoMeVdFtVV4zeshYsrWtFGvl>

20 Sep - Local/ No Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Fisherman Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods (Blast Fishing)/ Baseco Compound, Manila, Philippines/ DB230922

On 20 Sep, local authorities arrested a fishermen at Baseco Compound, Manila, Philippines for using illegal fishing methods in the form of blast fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid0bQcggRW3i1LFdar2AtpYLGeHWc6LhUZNqf6iovtiuQwbKmN1Gm4fJ5SVR3d57HUI>

20 Sep - Local/ 2 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 4 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessels)/ Off Kuala Gula, Perak, Malaysia/ DB220922

On 20 Sep, local authorities detained two fishing vessels off Kuala Gula, Perak, Malaysia. Four local fishermen were arrested due to having invalid license for their fishing vessels.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02WvuuUV8c7P4oFQboNPyAmribUAHmCLpzH89kv634zwZhbZt3QMP3HEuA9nsK3Htrl>

19 Sep - Poaching/ 1 Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessel, Documentation of Fishermen) / Off Simpang Mengayau, Kudat, Malaysia/ DB210922

On 19 Sep, local authorities detained a Vietnamese Fishing Vessel off Simpang Mengayau, Kudat, Malaysia. Six fishermen were arrested due to having invalid fishing vessel license and no proper documents for the fishermen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02ihoXHJD9XeLAjHzhYaW1Dcr6t4betaiwVoT69MPBz5rYKnnBnmPJ5PkW7BrHPjGl>

19 Sep - Poaching/ 1 Indian Trawler Detained/ 8 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessel, Trawling)/ Off Kovilan Lighthouse, Kankasanturai, Sri Lanka/ DB210922

On 19 Sep, local authorities detained an Indian Trawler off Kovilan Lighthouse, Kankasanturai, Sri Lanka. Eight foreign fishermen were arrested due to having invalid fishing vessel licenses.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/09/20/202209200930/>

19 Sep - Local/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessel)/ Off Kuala Perlis, Perlis, Malaysia/ DB210922

On 19 Sep, local authorities detained a fishing vessel off Kuala Perlis, Perlis, Malaysia. Two fishermen were arrested due to having invalid fishing vessel license.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02N4KCGHBTob687EQvHZKPUKGEppwApkLAocvofdy4PsQ6ERK2pP6HdXweJSwPcN9nl>

18 Sep - Local/ 4 Trawlers Detained/ 2 Local and 16 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessel)/ Off Kuala Mercang Beach, Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB210922

On 18 Sep, local authorities detained four trawlers off Kuala, Mercang Beach, Terengganu, Malaysia. 18 people were arrested due to having invalid fishing vessel license.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thesundaily.my/local/four-pahang-trawlers-detained-for-encroaching-into-terengganu-waters-MG9844295>

Out of Reporting Period:

10 Sep - Poaching/ 2 Vietnamese Trawlers detained/ 19 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessels)/ Off North Natuna, Indonesia/ DB190922

On 10 Sep, local authorities detained two Vietnamese Trawlers and arrested 19 foreign fishermen due to invalid license of fishing vessels off North Natuna, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://investor.id/business/307084/kkp-tangkap-kapal-ikan-berbendera-vietnam-di-natuna-utara>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

22 Sep - Drugs/Yaba (90,000 tablets)/ Small Boat/ Teknaf, Bangladesh/ DB230922

On 22 Sep, local authorities detained a small boat at Teknaf, Bangladesh. Onboard the vessel was 90,000 yaba tablets.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/181819/bgb-seizes-90000-yaba-in-teknaf>

21 Sep - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (1,680 cans)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Labuan, Labuan Federal Territory, Malaysia/ DB230922

On 21 Sep, local authorities detained a small boat off Labuan, Labuan Federal Territory, Malaysia. Onboard the vessel was 1,680 cans of alcohol which were meant to be domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sabahmedia.com/2022/09/21/maritim-malaysia-rampas-minuman-keras-bot-gentian-kaca/>

21 Sep - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (36 Master Cases)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Manalipa Island, Zamboanga, Philippines/ DB220922

On 21 Sep, local authorities detained a small boat off Manalipa Island, Zamboanga, Philippines. Onboard the vessel was 36 master cases of cigarettes that were domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1184219>

21 Sep - Drugs/ Heroin (345 kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Afghanistan to India/ Nhava Sheva Port, Mumbai, India/ DB220922

On 21 Sep, local authorities detained a container vessel at Nhava Sheva Port, Mumbai, India. Onboard the vessel was 345 kg of heroin which was smuggled from Afghanistan to India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dnaindia.com/india/report-heroin-worth-rs-1725-crore-seized-in-mumbai-was-being-smuggled-in-container-with-licorice-2986933>

<https://news.abplive.com/news/india/mumbai-345-kg-heroin-soaked-in-licorice-roots-worth-rs-1-725-crore-seized-from-nhava-sheva-port-1554483>

<https://www.usatodayjournal.com/heroin-worth-rs-1-725-crore-seized-in-mumbai-was-being-smuggled-in-container-with-licorice/>

19 Sep - Drugs/ Meth (16 kg)/ Dredger/ Off Bagan Asahan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB210922

On 19 Sep, local authorities detained a dredge off Bagan Asahan, North Sumatra, Indonesia. Onboard the vessel was 16kg of meth.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.metrotvnews.com/play/b7WCREE8-polisi-gagalkan-penyelundupan-16-kg-sabu-di-perairan-bagan-asahan-sumut>

18 Sep - Fuel/ Diesel (16 Tons)/ Fishing Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Pulau Poncan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB210922

On 18 Sep, local authorities detained a fishing vessel off Pulau Poncan, North Sumatra, Indonesia. Onboard the vessel was 16 tons of diesel which were domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://daerah.sindonews.com/read/889305/717/kapal-pembawa-belasan-ton-solar-ilegal-ditangkap-polisi-di-perairan-pulau-poncan-sibolga-1663574962>

17 Sep - Tobacco/ E-Cigarettes (204,000 Units)/ Container Vessel/ From China to India/ Mundra Port, Gujarat, India/ DB210922

On 17 Sep, local authorities detained a container vessel at Mundra Port, Gujarat, India. Onboard the vessel was 204,000 e-cigarettes that were smuggled from China to India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://ahmedabadmirror.com/2-lakh-e-cigarettes-seized-from-mundra/81844858.html>

Out of Reporting Period:

15 Sep - Drugs/ Meth (0.141 kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ East Nunukan Village, Nunukan Regency, Indonesia/ DB210922

On 15 Sep, local authorities detained a small boat at East Nunukan Village, Nunukan Regency, Indonesia. Onboard the vessel was 0.141kg of meth that was smuggled from Malaysia to Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.niaga.asia/sembunyikan-sabu-14120-gram-dalam-sepatu-yusran-ditangkap-di-dermaga-aji-putri/>

15 Sep - Fuel/ Diesel (27,000 liters)/ 2 Tankers/ Domestic Smuggling/ Labuhan Haji Port, Lombok, Indonesia/ DB210922

On 15 Sep, local authorities detained two tankers at Labuhan Haji Port, Lombok, Indonesia. Onboard the vessel was 27,000 liters of diesel that were domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.republika.co.id/berita/riazyq383/polda-ntb-sita-dua-kapal-tanker-angkut-27-ribu-liter-solar-subsidi>

<https://ntb.jpnn.com/kriminal/2987/polda-ntb-sita-dua-kapal-tanker-angkut-27-ribu-liter-solar-subsidi>

<https://transindonesia.co/2022/09/polairud-polda-ntb-sita-kapal-tangker-angkut-bbm-solar-subsidi/>

01 Sep - Drugs/ Meth (3.5kg)/ Cargo Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Tanjung Emas Port, Indonesia/ DB210922

On 01 Sep, local authorities detained a cargo vessel at Tanjung Emas Port, Indonesia. Onboard the vessel was 3.5kg of meth that was smuggled from Malaysia to Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://bctemas.beacukai.go.id/bea-cukai-kembali-gagalkan-penyelundupan-35-kg-narkoba-dalam-kaligrafi/>

30 Jun - Drugs/ Ketamine (50 kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Thailand to Taiwan/ Bangkok Port, Thailand/ DB210922

On 30 Jun, local authorities detained a container vessel at Bangkok Port, Thailand. Onboard the vessel was 50kg of ketamine that was smuggled from Thailand to Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/customsdepartment.thai/posts/pfbid0dfzQyshboN1WogxYE2C x4ucftTWGWqESgdvTf1MoiyMd8TFGgZ4WT3DgWoNWG6vl>

29 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (800 Master Cases)/ Cargo Vessel and Fishing Vessel/ To Thailand/ Off Ban Thon Beach, Narathiwat Province, Thailand/ DB210922

On 29 May, local authorities detained a cargo vessel and fishing vessel off Ban Thon Beach, Narathiwat Province, Thailand. Onboard the vessel was 800 cases of cigarettes that was being smuggled to Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/customsdepartment.thai/posts/pfbid02yiCjtD3vEhPHRQJqkcD EoBHBneRPkkn3ohUR1BMXQ4v8PhnN1YjjJasrAGKbAqQml>

13 Sep - Drugs/ Meth (21.4 kg) and Ecstasy (32 kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Lhok Puuk, North Aceh, Indonesia/ DB190922

On 13 Sep, local authorities seized 21.4 kg of meth and 32 kg ecstasy from a small boat going from Malaysia to Indonesia at Lhok Puuk, North Aceh, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://portalsatu.com/polisi-tangkap-dua-tersangka-kasus-sabu-dan-ekstasi-di-pantai-aceh-utara/>

11 Sep - Drugs/ Cannabis (2.43 kg)/ Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Manokwari, West Papua, Indonesia/ DB190922

On 11 Sep, local authorities seized 2.43 kg of cannabis off Manokwari, West Papua, Indonesia. The Cannabis was about to be domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://arfaknews.com/read/5733/Kriminal/Diberi-Upah-5-Juta-Rupiah-AW-Nekat-Bawa-Narkoba-Jenis-Ganja-Seharga-200-juta-ke-Manokwari->

<https://kumparan.com/balleonews/pecah-rekor-polres-manokwari-amankan-2-4-kg-ganja-dari-tangan-pelaku-1yrek4v2yPh/2>

08 Sep - Domestic Products/ Various Goods (183 boxes)/ Cargo Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Batu Ampar, Batam, Indonesia/ DB190922

On 08 Sep, local authorities seized 183 boxes of goods from a cargo vessel off Batu Ampar, Batam, Indonesia. The goods was about to be domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://ungkap.co.id/bea-cukai-batam-amankan-kapal-bawa-barang-tanpa-dokumen-sah/>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

20 Sep - Human Smuggling/ 15 Bangladesh and 7 Rohingya Migrants going from Bangladesh to Malaysia/ Ashore/ Teknaf, Bangladesh/ DB230922

On 20 Sep, local authorities detained 22 migrants at Teknaf, Bangladesh. The migrants were caught ashore trying to go from Bangladesh to Malaysia.

IFC Comments:

The Myanmar ILO highlighted that The Republic of the Union of Myanmar reaffirmed the term "Bengali", and the term "Rohingya Migrants" refers to "Illegal Migrants".

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/nation/2022/09/22/22-malaysia-aspirants-including-7-rohingyas-detained-in-teknaf>

21 Sep - Human Smuggling/ 4 Migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Pulau Pintu Gedong, Malaysia/ DB220922

On 21 Sep, local authorities detained four migrants off Pulau Pintu Gedong, Malaysia. The migrants were from Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/09/21/four-indonesians-stranded-on-island-by-human-smugglers-rescued>

20 Sep - Human Smuggling/ 12 Sri Lankan Migrants going from Sri Lanka to India/ Unknown Vessel/ Dhanushkodi, Tamil Nadu, India/ DB210922

On 20 Sep, local authorities detained an unknown vessel at Dhanushkodi, Tamil Nadu, India. The vessel had 12 Sri Lankan aboard and were going to India from Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/chennai/12-more-sri-lankan-refugees-reach-dhanushkodi/articleshow/94332971.cms>

17 Sep - Human Smuggling/ 52 Migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Kuala Langat, Malaysia/ DB190922

On 17 Sep, local authorities arrested 52 migrants from Indonesia to Malaysia off Kuala Langat, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.themalaysianinsight.com/s/401591>

Out of Reporting Period:

16 Sep - Human Smuggling/ 5 Sri Lankan Migrants/ Fishing Vessel/ From Sri Lanka to Unknown/ Off Veththalakerni, Sri Lanka/ DB190922

On 16 Sep, local authorities arrested 5 Sri Lankan Migrants from a fishing vessel going from Sri Lanka off Veththalakerni, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2022/09/16/202209161100/>

15 Sep - Human Smuggling/ 21 Sri Lankan Migrants/ Small Boat/ From Sri Lanka to Unknown/ Off Veththalakerni, Sri Lanka/ DB190922

On 15 Sep, local authorities arrested 21 Sri Lankan Migrants on a small boat from Sri Lanka off Veththalakerni, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2022/09/16/202209161100/>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

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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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