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



For the period of 29 Jan - 04 Feb 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)	3	2-4
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	5
Maritime Incidents (MI)	18	6-9
Illegal/ Unregulated/ Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	3	10
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	13	11-13
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	2	14
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	1	15
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	16
Others	0	17

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

01 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ No Injury/ Unknown Vessel/ Bulk Carrier/ Unknown-flagged/ Anchored/ Off Belawan Anchorage, Indonesia/ DB040122

1. It was reported that an Unknown Bulk Carrier was boarded by three unauthorized persons when at anchor off Belawan Anchorage, Indonesia on 01 Feb 22, 2035 (UTC+8).

2. Vessel Details:

a. Name: Info Gap

b. Callsign: Info Gap

c. IMO: Info Gap

d. MMSI: Info Gap

e. Flag: Info Gap

f. Type: Bulk Carrier

g. Ship Owner: Info Gap

h. Ship Operator/Manager: Info Gap

i. NPOC: Info Gap

3. Three perpetrators armed with knives boarded an anchored bulk carrier using a hook attached to a rope. The robbers chased the crew who were on routine rounds but managed to escape and inform the OOW. The alarm was raised, and the crew were mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and the crew alerted, the robbers escaped. A search was conducted throughout the ship. Ship properties were reported stolen, and the local authorities were informed.

IFC Comments:

This open-source information has not been verified or confirmed by ship/cargo owners, ILOs, OPCENs or local authorities.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

IMR

https://www.icc-ccs.org/index.php/piracy-reporting-centre/live-piracy-report/details/179/2209

01 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ Unknown Vessel/ Product Tanker/ Unknown-flagged/ Alongside/ MOT Terminal, Sandakan Port, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB040122

- 1. It was reported that an Unknown Vessel was boarded by one unauthorised personnel when alongside MOT Terminal, Sandakan Port, Sabah, Malaysia on 01 Feb 22, 2140 (UTC+8).
- 2. Vessel Details:
- a. Name: Info Gap
- b. Callsign: Info Gap
- c. IMO: Info Gap
- d. MMSI: Info Gap
- e. Flag: Info Gap
- f. Type: Bulk Carrier
- g. Ship Owner: Info Gap
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: Info Gap
- i. NPOC: Info Gap
- 3. The crew on duty rounds onboard the berthed tanker, noticed an unidentified person near the forecastle store and immediately notified the OOW. The alarm was raised, and the crew were mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and with the crew alerted, the perpetrator escaped. A search was conducted throughout the tanker. It was reported that the forecastle store was broken into, and ship stores were stolen, and local authorities were informed.

IFC Comments:

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News Link(s)/Info Source:

IMB

https://www.icc-ccs.org/index.php/piracy-reporting-centre/live-piracy-report/details/179/2208

- 30 Jan Boarding/ Sea theft/ No Injury/ HAI DUONG 29/ Tugboat/ Vietnam-flagged/ Underway/ Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB030222
- 1. POCC informed that a Vietnam-flagged Tugboat, HAI DUONG 29, reported two unauthorised personnel were sighted onboard the tug in their CCTV, when transiting along Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (1°10'24.6"N 103°28'42.0"E) at 300428H (UTC +8), 22 Jan.
- 2. Vessel Details:
- a. Name: HAI DUONG 29
- b. Callsign: XVEX7 c. IMO: 9591911
- d. MMSI: 574004340 e. Flag: Viet Nam f. Type: Tugboat
- g. Ship Owner: HADUCO
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: HADUCO
- j. LPOC: Quy Nhon, Viet Nam
- i. NPOC: Singapore
- 3. All crew are safe, and nothing reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC in Singapore.

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to the ship company for evidence of the boarding and incident details.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

POCC

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Hai-Duong-29-9591911.html https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/10923578/casualties#323825

SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

NSTR

SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

02 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Dead, 14 Rescued/ Off Zarubino, Russia/ DB040222

On 02 Feb, fishing vessel AKVANAVT sank near the port of Zarubino, Russia. 14 crew were evacuated while the captain was reported dead. No oil spillage was reported.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/338347/casualties#323941 http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/02/02/crabber-sank-along-pier-in-zarubino-russian-far-east-videos/

02 Feb - Adrift/ Engine Failure/ Cargo Ship/ Off Selayar Island, Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB040222

On 02 Feb, cargo ship PANCARAN 5505 went adrift off Selayar Island, Sulawesi, Indonesia due to engine failure.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Pancaran-I-5505-9317080.html https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/356192/casualties#324002

01 Feb - Allision/ Cause Unknown/ Oil Products Tanker/ Port of Kaohsiung, Taiwan/ DB040222

On 01 Feb, oil products tanker TORM EMILIE allided with uncharted obstruction near Port of Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/343988/casualties#323905

31 Jan - Aviation Incident/ Cause Unknown/ Two Missing/ SAR/ Off Komatsu Air Base, Ishikawa, Japan/ DB040222

A Japan Air Self-Defense Force F-15 fighter jet apparently crashed into the Sea of Japan on Monday shortly after taking off from Komatsu Air Base in Ishikawa Prefecture, central Japan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://asia.nikkei.com/Business/Aerospace-Defense/F-15-fighter-apparently-crashes-into-Sea-of-Japan

31 Jan - Collision/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat vs Fishing Vessel/ 31 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Besut River Estuary, Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB040222

31 tourists were rescued when they were travelling on a small boat which collided with a fishing boat at the Besut River near the Kuala Besut Jetty on Monday, 31 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/02/01/ten-injured-as-two-boats-collide-at-kuala-besut-jetty

https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/02/01/besut-boat-crash-tourist-boat-had-more-passengers-than-permitted-says-marine-dept

31 Jan - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Anchoring/ Tanker/ Off Tanjung Balau, Johor, Malaysia/ DB040222

On 31 Jan at 1300 (UTC+8), the local authorities detained a tanker from Panama for unauthorised anchoring off Tanjung Balau, Johor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/305198854967180 https://www.airtimes.my/2022/02/02/apmm-tahan-kapal-tangki-bersauh-secara-haram/

30 Jan - Adrift/ Mechanical Failure/ Container Ship/ Off Okinoshima Island, Japan/DB040222

On 30 Jan, container ship CSL SANTA MARIA suffered generator failure and went adrift off Okinoshima Island, Japan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/02/02/csl-5000-teu-container-ship-in-trouble-in-japan-sea/

29 Jan - MEDEVAC/ Medical Issue/ Bulk Carrier/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Maldives/ DB040222

On 29 Jan, the local authorities evacuated one crew from bulk carrier TRUE CHAMPION.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://twitter.com/MNDF_Official/status/1487427142396755969 https://mndf.gov.mv/mndf/en/news-article.php?article=3808

29 Jan - Work Accident/ Slip and Fall/ Cargo Ship/ One Dead/ Tianjin Port, China/ DB040222

On 29 Jan, an officer died after he slipped and fell off a ladder while trying to read his ship's draught.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Mathilde-Oldendorff-9678800.html http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/01/31/capesize-senior-officer-killed-by-zero-covid-policy-in-china/

29 Jan – Fire-Explosion/ Electrical Short Circuit/ 17 Fishing Vessels/ SAR/ Off Mintaragen Commercial Port, Tegal, Indonesia/ DB040222

The local authorities, together with other elements of the community, tried their best to help extinguish the fires of dozens of fishing boats that were docked at PT Pelindo III Mintaragen Commercial Port Pier, Tegal City on 29 Jan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/40599/PRAJURIT-TNI-AL-LANAL-TEGAL-BANTU-PADAMKAN-KEBAKARAN-BELASAN-KAPAL-DI-TEGAL/

30 Jan - MEDEVAC/ Medical Issue/ Cargo Ship/ One Rescued/ SAR/ Off Phuket, Thailand/ DB030222

A ship engineer who suffered a heart attack was evacuated by the Thailand Navy to Bangkok Hospital.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2256315/navy-boat-mercy-dash-after-ships-engineer-stricken-at-sea

30 Jan - Violent Confrontation/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Fishermen/ Off Kuraburi, Phang Nga, Thailand/ DB030222

On 30 Jan, there was a violent confrontation between two fishermen off Kuraburi, Phang Nga, Thailand.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1584251071923919&id=526943267654710

29 Jan – Sunk-Capsized (Mechanical Failure)/Loss of Power/Fishing Vessel/One Missing, Four Rescued/Off Caoli Fishing Harbor, Taipei, Taiwan/DB030222

A fishing boat capsized with five people aboard as it was being towed back to a harbor on Taiwan's northern coast on 29 Jan at night, leaving the captain of the ship missing and four foreign crew members slightly injured.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://focustaiwan.tw/society/202201290019

29 Jan – Vessel Detained/Unauthorised Anchoring/Cargo Ship/Off Sedili, Johor, Malaysia/DB030222

The local authorities detained an Indonesia cargo ship off Sedili, Johor, Malaysia for unauthorized anchoring.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/303871145099951

29 Jan - Grounding/ Mechanical Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 18 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Haigyi Island, Myanmar/ DB030222

The Myanmar Navy rescued 18 crew from fishing boat that went adrift off Haigyi Island, Myanmar due to mechanical failure.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=143657581385260&id=1007611156749 07

28 Jan - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Anchoring/ Tanker/ Off Tanjung Penawar, Johor, Malaysia/ DB030222

The local authorities detained a Malabo-registered tanker off Tanjung Penawar, Johor, Malaysia for unauthorized anchoring.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/303201225166943

28 Jan – Adrift (Mechanical Failure)/ Engine Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ SAR/ Off Laem Prom Thep, Phuket, Thailand/ DB030222

The local authorities rescued three local fishermen from their fishing boat that went adrift off Laem Prom Thep, Phuket, Thailand due to engine failure.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1584253345257025&id=52694326765 4710

28 Jan - Vessel Detained/ Invalid Documentation/ Tug and Barge/ Off Sungai Kemena Bintulu, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB030222

The local authorities detained a tug and barge near Tanjung Penawar, Johor, Malaysia for operating without legal documentation.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/302678865219179

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

31 Jan - Local/ Four Trawlers Detained/ 32 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Astaranga, India/ DB040222

Four trawlers were seized and 32 persons were arrested by the local authorities from Astaranga for allegedly fishing in prohibited areas.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://pragativadi.com/illegal-fishing-4-trawlers-seized-32-held-in-astaranga/

31 Jan - Poaching/ Two Indian Fishing Vessels Detained/ 21 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Jaffna, Sri Lanka/ DB030222

On 31 Jan, the local authorities detained two Indian fishing vessels and arrested 21 Indian fishermen off Kovilan Point Lighthouse and Point Pedro Lighthouse for illegal fishing

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2022/02/01/202202011350/

27 Jan - Poaching/ Two Indonesian Fishing Vessels Detained/ 19 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Phuket, Thailand/ DB030222

19 crew members from two Indonesian fishing vessels have been arrested and charged with fishing in Thai waters illegally after being caught off Phuket on Thursday.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2255359/indonesians-in-dock-over-fishing-trip

SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

28 Jan – Domestic Products/ Beetroot (16,000kg)/ Container Ship/ From Pakistan to Sri Lanka/ Colombo, Sri Lanka/ DB040222

The local authorities detected 16,000 kilograms of beetroot concealed inside two refrigerated freight containers in Colombo on Friday (28 Jan).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsfirst.lk/2022/01/28/16000-kg-of-illegally-imported-beetroot-seized-by-customs/

26 Jan - Drugs/Heroin (200.25kg)/Fishing Vessel/Off Sri Lanka/DB040222

In a special operation carried out by the local authorities, a drug-carrying foreign vessel was intercepted in international waters south of Sri Lanka on 26 Jan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2022/02/03/202202031115/

31 Jan – Fuel & Domestic Products/Petrol (11 Gallons), Cooking Oil (137 Packets)/Unknown Vessel/From Malaysia/Off Pulau Mataking, Malaysia/DB040222

A foreign man was arrested after he was suspected of trying to smuggle out controlled goods to a neighbouring country in the waters off Pulau Mataking on 31 Jan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2022/02/01/lelaki-warga-asing-cuba-menyeludup-barang-kawalan-ditahan?fbclid=IwAR1jVFyWBSQ_SlkfR4rso8-9s_vCtzozOhpjqHSMaA8_-_us4PsCbB1noPA

28 Jan – Fuel & Domestic Products/ Petrol (200 Litres), Gas (44 Barrels), Cooking Oil (95 Boxes)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Malaysia/ Jalan Batu Sapi, Malaysia/ DB040222

An attempt to smuggle out various subsidized goods worth RM\$521,017 (US\$124,600) was foiled at Kampung Cenderamata, Jalan Batu Sapi on 28 Jan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/438625961386839

27 Jan – Domestic Products/ Alcohol (2,442 Bottles)/ Passenger Ship/ Off Sungai Sempit, Segari, Malaysia/ DB030222

The local authorities managed to seize 2,442 bottles of liquor of various brands worth RM761,580 (US\$181,956) in the waters of Sungai Sempit, Segari on 27 Jan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/438025331446902

30 Dec 21 - Natural Resources/ Red Sandalwood (12 Tonnes)/ Container Ship/ From India to Hong Kong/ Gujarat, India/ DB030222

The local authorities have foiled a smuggling attempt of prohibited red sandalwood at Mundra port in Kutch district on Thursday.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.deccanherald.com/national/dri-seizes-12-tons-of-red-sandalwood-at-mundra-port-in-gujarat-1066128.html

14 Dec 21 - Domestic Products/ Sarees (7,878 Pieces), Lehengas (880 Pieces)/ Small Boat/ Chattogram, Bangladesh/ DB030222

The Bangladesh Coast Guard (BCG) on 14 Dec seized a massive number of Indian sarees that were brought into the country evading customs duty.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/crime/coast-guard-seizes-illegal-consignment-indian-sarees-nabs-8-344176

01 Dec 21 – Drugs/ Meth (552 Grams)/ Passenger Ship/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Batam, Indonesia/ DB030222

The local authorities have again succeeded in arresting a passenger, smuggling meth, bound for Tanjung Priok, Jakarta on 01 Dec 21.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://bcbatam.beacukai.go.id/lagi-lagi-anjing-k-9-bea-cukai-batam-tangkap-sabu-seberat-552-gram-tujuan-jakarta/

23 Dec 21 - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (237 Bottles)/ Passenger Ship/ Jayapura Port, Indonesia/ DB030222

The Jayapura seaport area police secured hundreds of illegal alcoholic drinks, on Thursday 23 Dec 2021.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://tribratanews.papua.polri.go.id/2021/12/23/ratusan-botol-miras-ilegal-diamankan-polisi-di-pelabuhan-jayapura/

24 Nov 21 – Domestic Products/ Apparel (850 sacks)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Asahan, Indonesia/ DB030222

The local authorities thwarted the smuggling of hundreds of sacks of used clothes from Malaysia in Asahan waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.medcom.id/nasional/metro/4KZ2W5gK-bea-cukai-gagalkan-penyelundupan-pakaian-bekas-dari-malaysia-di-perairan-asahan

16 Nov 21 - Natural Resources/ Rattan (207 Tonnes)/ General Cargo Vessel/ Off Natuna Waters, Riau Islands, Indonesia/ DB030222

The local authorities detained the general cargo vessel which was caught illegally carrying or transporting hundreds of tons of rattan ready for export.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://voi.id/en/news/108326/west-kalimantan-customs-detains-sailing-ship-carrying-206-tons-of-illegal-rattan-wanted-to-be-smuggled-into-malaysia

23 Dec 21 – Wildlife/Birds (400)/ Passenger Ship/Domestic Smuggling/Off Tanjung Perak, Indonesia/DB030222

The local authorities thwarted the smuggling of 400 birds without permits on 23 Dec 21.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/pembelasatwaliar/posts/sebanyak-400-ekor-satwa-liar-tanpa-izin-berhasil-digagalkan-oleh-satreskrim-polr/877930422891620/

23 Dec 21 – Drugs/ Meth (222kg), Ecstacy (200,000 pills), Nimetazepam (4,750)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Simpang Ulim, Indonesia/ DB030222

The local authorities detained a vessel which was suspected of having picked up drugs into Malaysian waters.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://m.jpnn.com/news/penyelundupan-222-kilogram-sabu-sabu-jaringan-indonesia-malaysia-digagalkan

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

31 Jan - Human Smuggling/ Five Filipino Migrants going from Philippines to Malaysia/ Small Boat/ Off Mataking Island, Semporna, Malaysia/ DB040222

The local authorities successfully expelled 5 Filipino citizens who were discovered in Malaysian waters without any valid travel passes.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/440433851206050

31 Jan - Human Smuggling/ 20 Indonesian Migrants going from Indonesia to Malaysia/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Malaysia/ DB040222

As many as 20 unauthorized immigrants who were Indonesian citizens who landed on the coast of Malaysia were detained by local authorities.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/NTFpage/posts/440434787872623

SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

10 Nov 21 - MARPOL/Solid Pollution/Coal/Barge/Unknown Effect/Sembulungan, Muncar, Banyuwangi, East Java, Indonesia/DB030222

The barge loaded with coal was tilted because it suffered a leak off waters of Sembulungan, Muncar, Banyuwangi, East Java on 11 Nov 21.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://photo.sindonews.com/view/21197/bermuatan-7-500-metrik-ton-batu-bara-kapal-tongkang-ini-alami-kebocoran-di-perairan-sembulungan

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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