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



For the period of 04 Nov – 10 Nov 23, 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	3	2-3
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	4
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	14	5-8
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	42	9-18
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	1	18	19-23
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	1	6	24-26
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	2	27
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	1	28
Others	0	0	29

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

Out of Reporting Period:

02 Nov - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Cargo Ship, Panama-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/  
Lubuk Gaung Dumai, Indonesia/ DB091123

While at anchor, the crew on duty sighted five perpetrators wearing masks and carrying knives. When the crew attempted to drive the perpetrators away, they were threatened with a knife, so they returned to the accommodation area and closed the door. The crew called the bridge and reported the incident to the shipmaster. The crew members searched the accommodation area, engine room, and on deck, with no further sightings of the perpetrators. The crew members were safe, and spare parts for the generator were reported stolen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GSIS)



Incidents:

05 Nov - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Cargo Ship, Portugal-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Vung Tau Anchorage, Viet Nam/ DB091123

Robbers boarded an anchored general cargo ship unnoticed and escaped with the ship's stores. During security rounds, the watchman noticed footprints on the deck and observed the paint store padlock broken and stores missing. Alarms were raised, the crew mustered, and a search was carried out. The incident was reported to port control.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GSIS)

04 Nov - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Small Boat/ Off Kodiyakkarai, Palk Strait/ DB061123

On 4 Nov, in two separate incidents, eight fishermen from the coastal villages of Pudupettai in Mayiladuthurai district and Vanavanmahadevi in Nagapattinam district were allegedly attacked and robbed of their belongings by a group of unidentified persons at sea when they were fishing 7nm off the Kodiyakkarai coast.

Sources at the Coastal Security Group (CSG) said the fishermen had ventured into the sea on a small boat. When they were fishing to the east of the Kodiyakkarai coast, three unidentified persons came in a small boat and intercepted them. Two of them boarded the fishermen's boat and assaulted the fishermen with a wooden log. In the assault, one of the fishermen suffered bleeding injuries on his head, while another suffered wounds on his left leg. The other two suffered internal injuries. The assailants stole a battery, a GPS device, fish, cell phones, and torchlights. The fishermen managed to return to the Kodiyakkarai coast on 4 Nov around 09:00 (UTC+6) and they were administered first aid at the primary health center in Kodiyakkarai. The Vedaranyam Marine Police of the CSG have registered a case, and investigations are on.

After a few hours, four more fishermen who were attacked mid-sea in another incident reached the Kodiyakkarai coast.

CSG sources said the fishermen went fishing on 4 Nov. When they were around 15nm to the east of Kodiyakkarai coast, a group of three unidentified persons, suspected to be Sri Lankans, intercepted them in a small boat. Two boarded the boat and assaulted the fishermen with wooden logs. They also stole a GPS device, a torchlight, a cell phone, a battery, and a 200-kg fishing net. The fishermen reached the Kodiyakkarai coast on 4 Nov and two of them were treated as outpatients at the Government Hospital in Vedaranyam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/tamil-nadu/four-fishermen-from-mayiladuthurai-attacked-robbed-mid-sea-in-eighth-such-incident-in-three-months/article67496757.ece>

**SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)**

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## SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

### Incidents:

08 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Con Dao Island, Viet Nam/ DB091123

On 8 Nov, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress off Con Dao Island, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there were six rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.quochoitv.vn/canh-sat-bien-kip-thoi-cuu-song-6-nguoi-tren-tau-ca-bi-chim-197485.htm>

07 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing, 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Haria Village, Maluku, Indonesia/ DB091123

On 7 Nov, a small boat capsized due to an unknown cause off Haria Village, Maluku, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was one missing and six rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kompas.tv/regional/458687/kapal-penyeberangan-tradisional-terbalik-enam-penumpang-ditemukan>

06 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Cargo Vessel/ Off K.Gaafaru Island, Maldives/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, a cargo vessel went aground off K.Gaafaru Island, Maldives.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

MRCC Maldives

05 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Passenger Vessel/ Off Pulau Kembang, Riau Islands, Indonesia/ DB081123

On 5 Nov, a passenger vessel went aground off Pulau Kembang, Riau Islands, Indonesia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/64946/TNI-AL-BERHASIL-EVAKUASI-KAPAL-KM-SABUK-NUSANTARA-80-YANG-KANDAS-DI-PULAU-KEMBANG-SEDANAU/>

05 Nov - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Tanker/ Off Kapar, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB071123

On 5 Nov, two tankers were detained for carrying out unauthorised operations off Kapar, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kosmo.com.my/2023/11/06/pindah-400000-liter-diesel-secara-haram-di-laut/>

04 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing, 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Haruku Island, Maluku, Indonesia/ DB071123

On 4 Nov, one is missing and six were rescued after a small boat sank off Haruku Island, Maluku, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thejakartapost.com/indonesia/2023/11/06/tourist-boat-capsizes-in-maluku-waters-one-passenger-still-missing.html>

04 Nov - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 12 Rescued/ Off Thuan An, Viet Nam/ DB071123

On 4 Nov, 12 were rescued after a fishing vessel caught fire off Thuan An, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vov.vn/xa-hoi/thua-thien-hue-tau-ca-bat-ngo-boc-chay-12-ngu-dan-thoat-nan-post1057271.vov> <https://www.bienphong.com.vn/chay-tau-ca-ngoai-khoi-12-ngu-dan-may-man-thoat-nan-post468551.html> <https://thanhnien.vn/thua-thien-hue-cuu-kip-thoi-12-ngu-dan-tren-tau-ca-bi-chay-giua-bien-185231105121759519.htm>

04 Nov - Others/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Mong Cai, Viet Nam/ DB061123

On 4 Nov, one went missing and two were rescued after a fishing vessel experienced water ingress off Mong Cai, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://nhandan.vn/don-bien-phong-tra-co-cuu-ho-ngu-dan-bi-dam-tau-tren-bien-post781048.html>



04 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Passenger Vessel/ SAR/ Off Mobo, Masbate, Philippines/ DB061123

On 4 Nov, a passenger vessel went aground off Mobo, Masbate, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fcoastguardph%2Fposts%2Fpfbid02Lhof6GS3tfYM33bYn3tNsVtaNUyQBjtAdPyCsDFfoq2iws8JbG6K9TW7DEh9EiZnl&show\\_text=true&width=500](https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fcoastguardph%2Fposts%2Fpfbid02Lhof6GS3tfYM33bYn3tNsVtaNUyQBjtAdPyCsDFfoq2iws8JbG6K9TW7DEh9EiZnl&show_text=true&width=500)

Out of Reporting Period:

03 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Civilian LCT/ 2 Dead, 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Muara Sei Menggaris, Nunukan, Indonesia/ DB071123

On 3 Nov, two died and six were rescued after a civilian LCT sank off Muara Sei Menggaris, Nunukan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.niaga.asia/dua-abk-yang-tenggelam-di-perairan-sei-menggaris-ditemukan-meninggal-dunia/>

02 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ Off Congot Beach, Kapanewon Temon, Indonesia/ DB071123

On 2 Nov, three were rescued after a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Congot Beach, Kapanewon Temon, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://yogyakarta.kompas.com/read/2023/11/03/175904678/perahu-nelayan-karam-di-pantai-wisata-tim-sar-ingatkan-laut-selatan>

01 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 9 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Spratly Islands, South China Sea/ DB071123

On 1 Nov, nine were rescued after a fishing vessel went aground off Spratly Islands, South China Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vtv.vn/xa-hoi/kip-thoi-cuu-nan-tau-ca-mac-can-tren-vung-bien-truong-sa-20231103200626801.htm>



07 Oct - Missing/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Missing/ SAR/ Off Taro Island, Solomon Islands/ DB071123

On 7 Oct, three went missing after a fishing vessel went missing off Taro Island, Solomon Islands.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sibconline.com.sb/police-search-for-missing-boat-with-three-people-in-choiseul-province/>

03 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 2 Small Boats/ 10 Missing, 13 Rescued/ SAR/ Morobe, Papua New Guinea/ DB071123

On 3 Oct, 10 went missing and 13 were rescued after two small boats sank in Morobe, Papua New Guinea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thenational.com.pg/ten-still-missing-after-boat-capsizes/>



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

### Incidents:

08 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Kuala Kedah, Malaysia/ DB101123

On 8 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessels and arrested five local fishermen for illegal fishing off Kuala Kedah, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid09fHp9nNRnuNZYNL4mFHuQ3vpSTDcEWYRHKmdDAzEr2QqXN76sHCcnENyakvoE3Vtl>

08 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen & License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Nenasi, Pahang, Malaysia/ DB101123

On 8 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessels and arrested five foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Nenasi, Pahang, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusan.com.my/terkini/2023/11/5-nelayan-warga-asing-bersama-700kg-hasil-laut-ditahan-tiada-permit-sah/>

07 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia/ DB101123

On 7 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessels and arrested four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0D1MfPvXwWLtemMdcjHVyuFwZAgut4AfdwRMy15Qjib6avT1SPhF1orWUaiGFwwifl>

07 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Indonesian Fishing Vessels Detained/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Penang, Malaysia/ DB091123

On 7 Nov, local authorities detained two Indonesian fishing vessels and arrested ten foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel off Penang, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusan.com.my/nasional/2023/11/dua-bot-nelayan-indonesia-ditahan-tangkap-ikan-tanpa-permit/>

06 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 13 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 13 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

06 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 11 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

06 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Langkawi, Malaysia/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Langkawi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02GVPmovyY3CyUc5j2gn9GdvKEjxwiEyM2uoC7ehsZghJarFUDWpsW4nejcZrSPKd3l>

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On 6 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 13 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

06 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released five foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

06 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Unknown Fishing Vessel Released/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities released one fishing vessel of unknown nationality and released 10 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

04 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 8 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 4 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released eight foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

04 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 4 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 10 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

04 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ Unknown Vessel/ 3 Local Fisherman Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Cortes, Phillippines/ DB081123

On 4 Nov, local authorities arrested three local fishermen for illegal fishing off Cortes, Phillippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://mb.com.ph/2023/11/6/6-held-for-illegal-fishing-in-agusan-surigao>

04 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 4 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 10 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

04 Nov - Local/ Illegal fishing/ Unknown Vessel/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Bunawan, Agusan del Sur, Philippines/ DB081123

On 4 Nov, local authorities arrested three foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Bunawan, Agusan del Sur, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mb.com.ph/2023/11/6/6-held-for-illegal-fishing-in-agusan-surigao>

Out of Reporting Period:

03 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 12 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 3 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 12 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australia MBC

03 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 9 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 3 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released nine foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australia MBC

03 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 13 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 3 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 13 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australia MBC

02 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 7 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 2 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released seven foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

02 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 2 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 11 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

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News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

02 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 2 Nov, local authorities disposed one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 11 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

02 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Detained/ 7 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 2 Nov, local authorities detained one Indonesian fishing vessel and released seven foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

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Australia MBC

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On 2 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released eight foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

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On 2 Nov, local authorities disposed one Indonesian fishing vessel and released seven foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC



01 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 7 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 1 Nov, local authorities disposed one Indonesian fishing vessel and released seven foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

01 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

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On 1 Nov, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released seven foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

31 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 31 Oct, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

31 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 31 Oct, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 11 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

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News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

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News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

31 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indonesian Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Unauthorised Fishing Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB081123

On 31 Oct, local authorities disposed one Indonesian fishing vessel and released 11 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in Northwest Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
Australia MBC

02 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Tg Belua, Langkawi, Malaysia/ DB061123

On 2 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Tg Belua, Langkawi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid022nLpgoawzKwkpVcqtMHsVNWCRgfl4xupygWheCEmdfF2ie5Mx7AuCqTNQ4XyWKg3l>

02 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Tg Cincin, Langkawi, Malaysia/ DB061123

On 2 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen for illegal fishing off Tg Cincin, Langkawi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid022nLpgoawzKwkpVcqtMHsVNWCRgfl4xupygWheCEmdfF2ie5Mx7AuCqTNQ4XyWKg3l>

02 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ 20 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB061123

On 2 Nov, local authorities detained two Vietnamese fishing vessel and arrested 20 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://www.sinarharian.com.my/article/633102/edisi/terengganu/dua-bot-nelayan-vietnam-ceroboh-perairan-negara-ditahan>

IFC Comment:  
Viet Nam CG ILO updates that the incident took place on 2 Nov and that 20 foreign fishermen were arrested.

01 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 18 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Chagwi Island, ROK/ DB061123

On 1 Nov, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel and arrested 18 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Chagwi Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.newsis.com/view/?id=NISX20231101\\_0002505224&clD=10813&pID=10800](https://www.newsis.com/view/?id=NISX20231101_0002505224&clD=10813&pID=10800)



## SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

### Information Update:

23 Feb - Drugs/ Meth (319 kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ From South Asia to Indonesia/ Off Banten, Indonesia/ DB081123  
(Information Update on DB270223)

It was updated that incident occurred on 23 Feb and resulted in the seizure of 319 kg of meth.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://buddyku.com/politik-peristiwa/48c54e536929463cb80a248a1986c929/sadis-bawa-309-kg-sabu-kapal-nelayan-berbendera-iran-disergap-bnn-dan-bea-cukai>  
<https://voi.id/en/economy/258257/sri-mulyani-buka-suara-soal-penyelundupan-309-kg-sabu-yang-digagalkan-bea-cukai>  
<https://www.cnnindonesia.com/nasional/20230328134921-12-930292/bawa-319-kg-sabu-8-wn-iran-ditangkap-di-laut-jawa-selatan>

### Incidents:

09 Nov - Fuel/ Diesel (4,600 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Jalan Besar Pangkor Jetty, Malaysia/ DB101123

On 9 Nov, local authorities seized 4,600 litres of diesel onboard a fishing vessel at Jalan Besar Pangkor Jetty, Malaysia.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sinarharian.com.my/article/633906/berita/semasa/sindiket-jual-beli-diesel-subsidi-babitkan-bot-nelayan-tumpas>

07 Nov - Drugs/ Cocaine (318kg)/ Container Ship/ From South America to Jordan/ Off Hong Kong/ DB101123

On 7 Nov, local authorities seized 318kg of cocaine onboard a container ship off Hong Kong.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bastillepost.com/hongkong/article/13583602-%E8%AD%A6%E6%96%B9%E6%B5%B7%E9%97%9C%E8%81%AF%E6%89%8B%E5%81%B5%E7%A0%B4%E8%B2%A9%E6%AF%92%E6%A1%88%E6%8B%98%E7%94%B7%E5%A4%A7%E8%B2%A8%E9%81%8B%E8%88%B9%E8%B2%A8%E6%AB%83%E5%85%A7%E6%AA%A2%E7%B4%84>  
[https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240957/hong-kong-police-customs-seize-hk390-million-cocaine-haul-hidden-marshmallow-shipment-south-america?campaign=3240957&module=perpetual\\_scroll\\_0&pgtype=article](https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240957/hong-kong-police-customs-seize-hk390-million-cocaine-haul-hidden-marshmallow-shipment-south-america?campaign=3240957&module=perpetual_scroll_0&pgtype=article)

08 Nov - Domestic Products/ Fresh Vegetables (15 Containers)/ Container Vessel/ To Philippines/ Port of Subic Bay, Philippines/ DB091123

On 8 Nov, local authorities seized 15 containers of fresh vegetables onboard a container vessel in Port of Subic Bay, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://customs.gov.ph/boc-seized-misdeclared-fresh-agricultural-products/>

07 Nov - Drugs/ Meth (4kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Asahan, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB091123

On 7 Nov, local authorities seized 4kg of meth onboard an unknown vessel in Asahan, North Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tvonenews.com/daerah/sumatera/164889-lagi-penyelundupan-sabu-dari-malaysia-melalui-asahan>

<https://www.kompas.tv/regional/458727/personel-satresnarkoba-polres-asahan-gagalkan-penyelundupan-sabu-4-kg-asal-malaysia>

07 Nov - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (50,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ To Vietnam/ Off Tho Chu Island, Viet Nam/ DB091123

On 7 Nov, local authorities seized 50,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a fishing vessel off Tho Chu Island, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://nld.com.vn/phap-luat/canh-sat-bien-bat-giu-tau-ca-van-chuyen-trai-phep-50000-lit-dau-20231108162345747.htm>

06 Nov - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (57,080 Packets)/ Small Boat/ To Thailand/ Off Chanthaburi, Trat Province, Thailand/ DB091123

On 6 Nov, local authorities seized 57,080 packets of cigarettes onboard a small boat off Chanthaburi, Trat Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavyFanpage/posts/pfbid02fLDncVfY6EnAp3kgHuqxdKJgqsTSEQdcuR74jkPYFJ7NeBu31tAxK42uSAVR6NSrl>



06 Nov - Drugs/ Meth (23kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Bulungan Regency, Indonesia/ DB091123

On 6 Nov, local authorities seized 23kg of meth onboard a fishing vessel in Bulungan Regency, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/65009/TNI-AL-BERHASIL-GAGALKAN-PENGIRIMAN-23-KG-NARKOBA-ANTAR-NEGARA%C2%A0MASUK-KE-INDONESIA-DI-PERBATASAN-RI/>,  
<https://benuanta.co.id/index.php/2023/11/08/naik-perahu-dari-semporna-malaysia-ke-kaltara-tim-gabungan-ringkus-2-wna-bawa-sabu-23-kg-di-perairan-pulau-tias/126750/16/42/49/>

05 Nov - Wildlife/ Sea Cucumber (590kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ Mandapam Coast, Tamil Nadu, India/ DB091123

On 5 Nov, local authorities seized 590kg of sea cucumber onboard an unknown vessel at Mandapam Coast, Tamil Nadu, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/105013713.cms?utm\\_source=contentofinterest&utm\\_medium=text&utm\\_campaign=cppst](http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/105013713.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cppst)

05 Nov - Domestic Products/ Used Clothing/ Unknown Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Sicanang, Langkat Regency, Indonesia/ DB091123

On 5 Nov, local authorities seized used clothing onboard an unknown vessel in Sicanang, Langkat Regency, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tvonenews.com/daerah/sumatera/164996-polda-sumut-ungkap-penyeludupan-pakaian-bekas-asal-malaysia>

06 Nov - Domestic Products/ Cooking Oil (4,216kg)/ Small Boat/ To Philippines/ Off Semporna, Celebes Sea/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities seized 4,216kg of cooking oil onboard a small boat off Semporna, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/gagal-seludup-4216-kg-minyak-masak-ke-negara-jiran/?fbclid=IwAR2HQRoqzaHfYLIQTRVZ9NysW3Eplslr1gEmo6v\\_QDTC81B9LI80d-X-mUA](https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/gagal-seludup-4216-kg-minyak-masak-ke-negara-jiran/?fbclid=IwAR2HQRoqzaHfYLIQTRVZ9NysW3Eplslr1gEmo6v_QDTC81B9LI80d-X-mUA)



06 Nov - Drugs/ Cannabis (137kg)/ Small Boat/ To Sri Lanka/ Off Eluvaitivu Island, Jaffna, Sri Lanka/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities seized 137kg of cannabis onboard a small boat off Eluvaitivu Island, Jaffna, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2023/11/07/202311071400/>

05 Nov - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (600 Master Cases)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Balut Island, Sarangani, Philippines/ DB081123

On 5 Nov, local authorities seized 600 master cases of cigarettes onboard a fishing vessel off Balut Island, Sarangani, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/navalforceseasternmindanao/posts/pfbid0cu86w75yufgnisVGJCiQTggvqNSWSEBnMvhirLPDNxS76hsmwG3R6avxznbqtCSDI>

06 Nov - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (240 Master Cases)/ Small boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Maasin Village, Zamboanga City, Philippines/ DB071123

On 6 Nov, local authorities seized 240 master cases of cigarettes onboard a small boat off Maasin Village, Zamboanga City, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mb.com.ph/2023/11/6/p8-4-m-smuggled-cigarettes-seized-in-zamboanga-city>  
<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/zamboanga/p84-m-smuggled-cigarettes-seized-off-zamboanga-city>

04 Nov - Domestic Products/ Liquor (312 Bottles)/ Cargo Ship/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Wallace Jetty Bay, Sebatik Island, Celebes Sea/ DB071123

On 4 Nov, local authorities seized 312 bottles of liquor onboard a cargo ship off Wallace Jetty Bay, Sebatik Island, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusan.com.my/nasional/2023/11/kastam-rampas-rokok-seludup-rm4-1j-diisytihar-sebagai-mi-segera/>

Out of Reporting Period:

26 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (1.1 Tons)/ Container Ship/ From Mexico Through Hong Kong To Hong Kong, Japan, Australia and New Zealand/ Kwai Chung Customhouse Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong/ DB081123

On 26 Oct, local authorities seized 1.1 tons of meth at the Kwai Chung Customhouse Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index\\_id\\_3963.html?p=1&y=&m=](https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_3963.html?p=1&y=&m=)

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240482/hong-kong-customs-confiscates-hk640-million-suspected-crystal-meth-hidden-snail-shell-shipment>

25 Oct - Drugs/ Cannabis (311kg), Meth (88kg), Ecstasy (82kg), Fentanyl (3.2kg)/ Container Ship/ From North America to Hong Kong/ Tsing Yi Customs Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong/ DB081123

On 25 Oct, local authorities seized 311kg of cannabis, 88kg of meth, 82kg of ecstasy and 3.2kg of fentanyl at the Tsing Yi Customs Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/navalforceseasternmindanao/posts/pfbid0cu86w75yufgnisVGJCiQTggvqNSWSEBnMvhirLPDNxS76hsmwG3R6avxznbtCSDI>

26 Oct - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (5,771,520 Sticks)/ Container vessel/ From West Asia to Malaysia/ Port Klang, Malaysia/ DB061123

On 26 Oct, local authorities seized 5,771,520 sticks of cigarettes onboard a container vessel in Port Klang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusan.com.my/nasional/2023/11/kastam-rampas-rokok-seludup-rm4-1j-diisytihar-sebagai-mi-segera/>

03 Nov - Natural Resources/ Gold (2.15kg)/ Small Boat/ From Sri Lanka/ Off Oluthuduwai, Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB071123

On 3 Nov, local authorities seized 2.15kg of gold onboard a small boat off Oluthuduwai, Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2023/11/04/202311042100/>

## SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

### Information Update:

31 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 13 Bangladesh Migrants/ From Bangladesh through China to Hong Kong/ Shek Kwu Chau, Hong Kong/ DB081123  
(Information Update on DB031123)

Preliminary inquiries suggested the men flew from Bangladesh to Kunming city in Yunnan province on 25 Oct and took a train to Guangzhou, another source said. The source added the group was then driven to the coast on 30 Oct and smuggled across the border in a speedboat.

A preliminary investigation suggested each member of the group had paid around HK\$56,000 (US\$ 7,230) to a middleman for their illegal journey from Bangladesh to Hong Kong.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestandard.com.hk/section-news/section/11/257448/Group-of-suspected-illegal-immigrants-rescued-from-island>

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240297/hong-kong-asks-mainland-china-help-stem-tide-illegal-arrivals-steps-land-and-sea-patrols?module=live&pgtype=homepage>

<https://www.dimsumdaily.hk/hong-kong-seeks-mainland-chinas-assistance-to-tackle-surge-in-illegal-entries-from-south-asia/>

### Incidents:

06 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 1 Vietnamese and 3 Indian Migrants/ To Hong Kong/ Tai O, Lantau Island, Hong Kong/ DB081123

On 6 Nov, local authorities arrested one Vietnamese and three Indian migrants at Tai O, Lantau Island, Hong Kong.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240488/hong-kong-police-arrest-4-men-over-illegal-entry-after-stopping-taxi-outlying-island-latest-case>

05 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 7 Bangladeshi, 3 Pakistani and 1 Indian Migrants/ To Hong Kong/ Off Fan Lau Sai Wan, Lantau Island, Hong Kong/ DB081123

On 5 Nov, local authorities arrested seven Bangladeshi, three Pakistani and one Indian migrant off Fan Lau Sai Wan, Lantau Island, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dimsumdaily.hk/law-enforcement-authorities-apprehend-11-south-asian-migrants-attempting-to-illegally-land-on-lantau-island-detain-2-mainland-chinese-men/>

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240488/hong-kong-police-arrest-4-men-over-illegal-entry-after-stopping-taxi-outlying-island-latest-case>

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3240297/hong-kong-asks-mainland-china-help-stem-tide-illegal-arrivals-steps-land-and-sea-patrols?module=live&pgtype=homepage>

04 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Passenger Vessel/ 29 Indonesian Migrants and 1 Myanmar Migrant/ To Malaysia/ Off Port Dickson, Malaysia/ DB061123

On 4 Nov, local authorities arrested 29 Indonesian migrants and one Myanmar migrants off Port Dickson, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/kes/2023/11/1173110/30-pati-cuba-menyusup-laluan-tikus-perairan-di-tanjung-rhu-ditahan>

Out of reporting Period:

02 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 167 Rohingya Migrants/ From Myanmar to Thailand/ Off Ayeyarwady, Myanmar/ DB071123

On 2 Nov, local authorities arrested 167 Rohingya migrants off Ayeyarwady, Myanmar.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.rfa.org/english/news/myanmar/rohingya-arrests-11032023065208.html>

IFC Comment:

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". In addition, Myanmar authorities had announced that these were illegal migrants who are called Bengalis, not Burmese migrants.

30 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 21 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh Through Myanmar to Malaysia/ Rathedaung, Rakhine, Myanmar/ DB071123

On 30 Oct, local authorities arrested 21 Rohingya migrants in Rathedaung, Rakhine, Myanmar.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.rfa.org/english/news/myanmar/rohingya-arrests-11032023065208.html>

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27 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 38 Rohingya Migrants/ From Myanmar to Malaysia/ Ah Ngu Maw, Rakhine, Myanmar/ DB071123

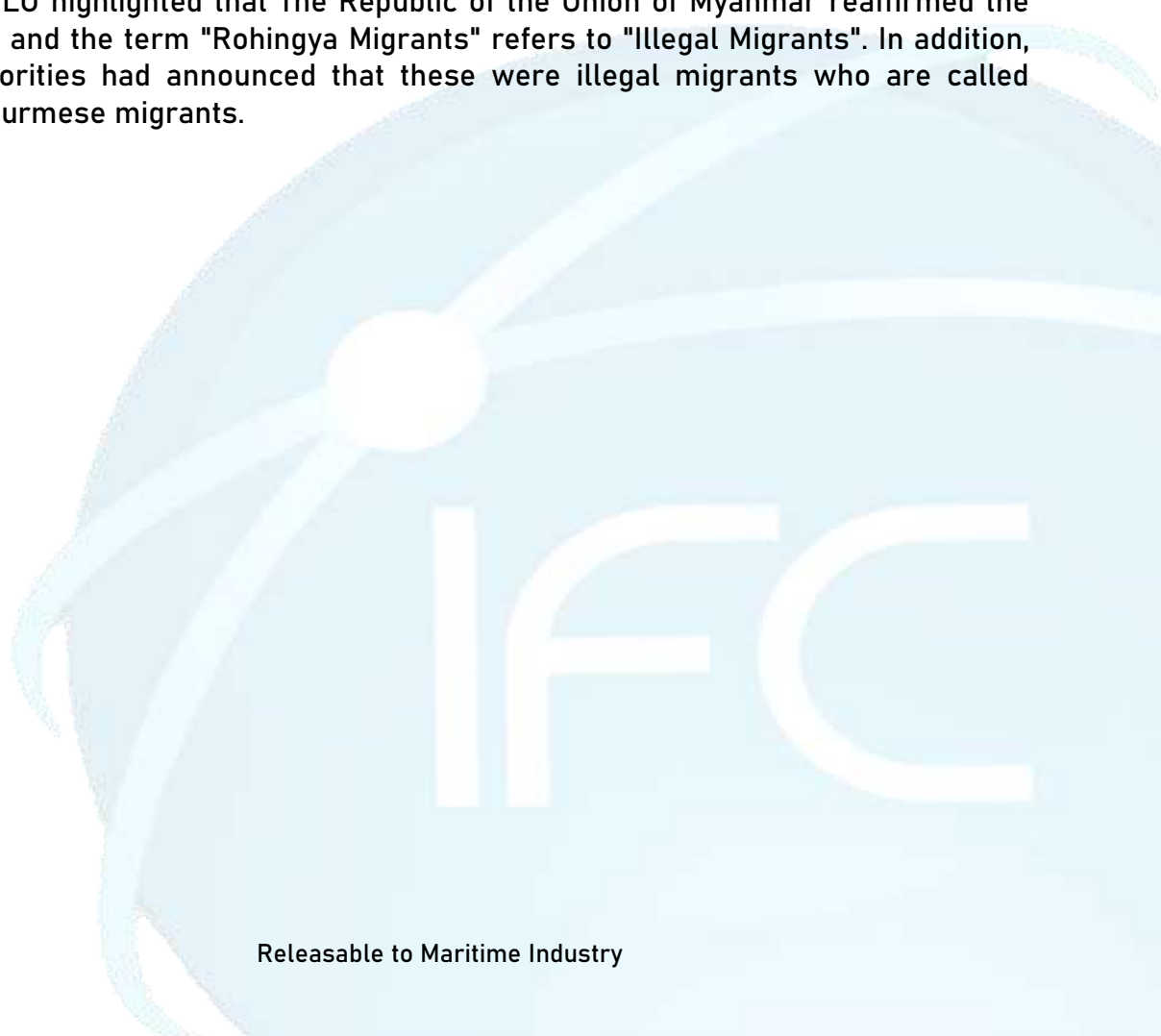
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News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.rfa.org/english/news/myanmar/rohingya-arrests-11032023065208.html>

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## SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Out of Reporting Period:

18 Oct - Others/ Invasive Species/ Container Ship/ Guam Port, Guam/ DB071123

On 18 Oct, local authorities detected an invasive species of insect onboard a container ship in Guam Port Authority, Guam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kuam.com/story/49955268/murder-hornet-discovered-on-guam>

27 Oct - MARPOL/ Liquid (Oil Leak)/ Fishing Vessel/ Local Contamination/ Off Busan, ROK/ DB061123

On 27 Oct, local authorities arrested 29 Indonesian migrants and one Myanmarse migrants off Port Dickson, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.busan.com/view/busan/view.php?code=2023103017272282323>



## SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Out of Reporting Period:

17 Jul - Spoofing/ AIS Data/ Spoofed Ship Location/ Weifang Port, China/ DB061123

On 17 Jul, local authorities arrested a criminal gang that was involved in forging AIS data of a ship in Weifang Port, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://c.m.163.com/news/a/IGP0QJ820514CFC7.html?from=subscribe>

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1779530997516432386&wfr=spider&for=pc>





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

### 2023

IFC Spot Commentary 01/23 – Observations of Three TRAPS Incidents in One Night, Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait

### 2022

IFC Spot Commentary 01/22 – Observations of Sea Theft Incidents Involving Tugs and Barges in Waters off Tanjung Piai and Eastbound Lane of Singapore Strait in 2022

### 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 Manila 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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