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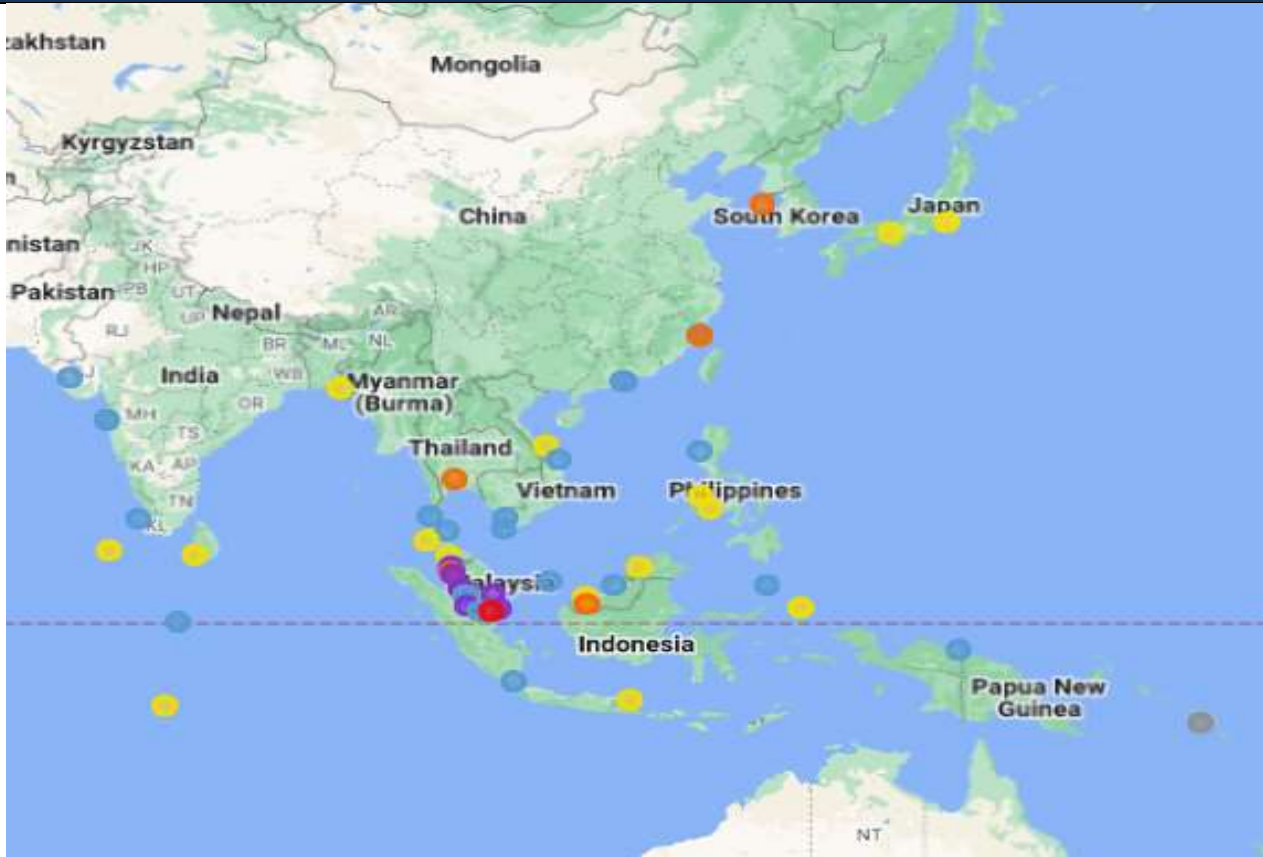
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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 13 - 19 May 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)	1	0	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	1	15	4-7
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	1	5	8-9
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	1	24	10-15
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	8	16-17
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	0	18
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	1	19
Others	0	0	20

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

Information Update:

10 May – Suspicious Approach/ Sea Theft/ Anchor Handling Tug Supply with Barge, Singapore-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB120523
(Information Update on DB150523)

It was updated that the time of incident was approximately 0235 (UTC +8) and that the anchor handling tug supply was towing a barge.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
CSO



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Information Update:

12 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 7 Missing, 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Bali Strait, Indonesia/ DB160523
(Information Update on DB170523)

It was updated that five were rescued and seven are missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/59053/TNI-AL-EVAKUASI-NELAYAN-YANG-MENGALAMI-LAKA-LAUT-DI-PERAIRAN-LAUT-UTARA-BANYUWANGI/>
<https://www.detik.com/jatim/video/230512081/momen-penyelamatan-5-abk-nelayan-di-perairan-banyuwangi-7-masih-hilang>

Incidents:

18 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Tanker/ Kobe Port, Japan/ DB190523

On 18 May, a tanker went aground off Kobe Port, Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/41917/tanker-struck-bridge-kobe/>

17 May - Collision-Grounding/ Human Error/ Passenger Vessel/ 1 Missing, 32 Rescued/ SAR/ Chalong Bay, Phuket, Thailand/ DB180523

On 17 May, 32 passengers were rescued and one is missing after a passenger vessel collided with a channel marker off Chalong Bay, Phuket, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2572742/30-people-hurt-1-missing-in-phuket-speedboat-crash>

16 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Halmahera Sea, North Maluku, Indonesia/ DB180523

On 16 May, 14 were rescued after a cargo vessel capsized off Halmahera Sea, North Maluku, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.antaranews.com/berita/3543816/tim-sar-selamatkan-seluruh-penumpang-kapal-tenggelam-di-haltim>

16 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather (Cyclone Mocha)/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 13 Rescued/ Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh/ DB180523

On 16 May, 13 fishermen were rescued and one dead after a fishing vessel capsized in the Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://unb.com.bd/category/Bangladesh/fishermans-body-recovered-from-bay-as-fishing-trawler-capsizes/115549>

15 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Fire-Explosion/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Cuyo, Palawan, Philippines/ DB170523

On 15 May, two were rescue after a fishing vessel caught fire off Cuyo, Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/coastguard.cuyo.3/posts/pfbid0WsYwaT2xJWrDDp9k6819CruULTccbx3fJ8kLxW4HbuxyEDuyhi2DB1D2YEoDMBnl>

15 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 39 Missing/ Indian Ocean/ DB170523

On 15 May, 39 are missing after a fishing vessel capsized in the Indian Ocean.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australian Maritime Safety Authority

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/41885/chinese-longliner-30-crew-capsized-indian-ocean/>

13 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel vs Cargo Vessel/ Kawasaki Port of Yokohama, Japan/ DB170523

On 13 May, a cargo vessel collided with another cargo vessel off Kawasaki Port of Yokohama, Japan

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Seven-Star-9522439.html>

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Anna-9392585.html>

15 May - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Vessel/ 140 Rescued/ SAR/ Kuala Perlis, Malaysia / DB160523

On 15 May, 140 were rescue after a passenger vessel went adrift off Kuala Perlis, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2023/05/909856/140-stranded-langkawi-ferry-runs-aground>

15 May - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Tug/ Labuan, Malaysia/ DB160523

On 15 May, a tug was detained for unauthorised operation off Labuan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2023/05/15/mmea-seizures-tugboat-with-foreign-crew-off-labuan>

14 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather (Cyclone Mocha)/ Fishing Vessel/ 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Beruwala, Sri Lanka/ DB150523

On 14 May, 6 were rescue after a fishing vessel capsized off Beruwala, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/05/14/202305141230/>

Outside of Reporting Period:

12 May - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Cargo Vessel/ Daro, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB170523

On 12 May, a cargo vessel was detained off Daro, Sarawak, Malaysia for unauthorised operations.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.newsarawaktribune.com.my/mmea-detains-boat-crew-for-using-unauthorised-equipment/>

03 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Lajala, Coron, Palawan, Philippines/ DB170523

On 3 May, a fishing vessel went aground off Lajala, Coron, Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

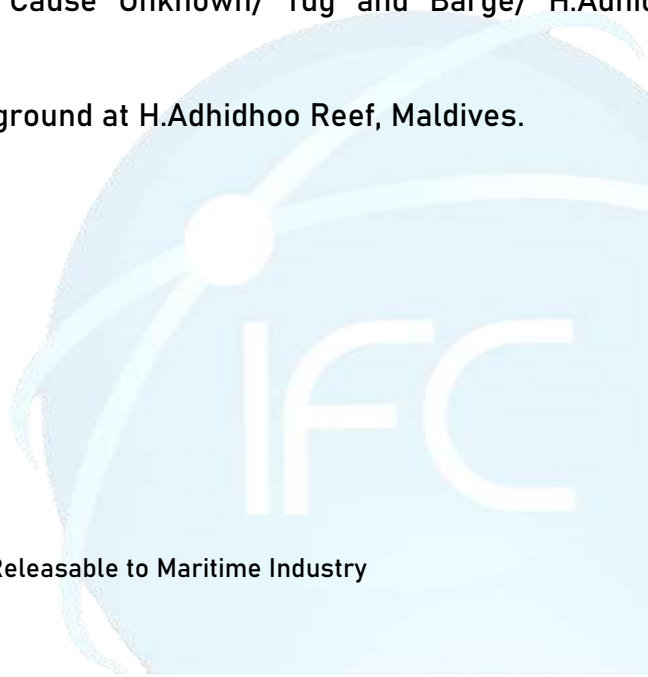
<https://palawan-news.com/pcsds-joins-investigation-grounded-fishing-vessel-in-coron/>

02 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Tug and Barge/ H.Adhidhoo Reef, Maldives/ DB170523

On 2 May, a tug and barge went aground at H.Adhidhoo Reef, Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sun.mv/177408>



12 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued, 2 Missing/ SAR/ Bali Strait, Indonesia/ DB160523

On 12 May, three were rescued and two are missing after a fishing vessel capsized in the Bali Strait, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/59053/TNI-AL-EVAKUASI-NELAYAN-YANG-MENGALAMI-LAKA-LAUT-DI-PERAIRAN-LAUT-UTARA-BANYUWANGI/>

08 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 2 Fishing Vessels/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Phu Vang District, Viet Nam/ DB160523

On 8 May, eight were rescued after two fishing vessels capsized off Phu Vang District, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.qdnd.vn/xa-hoi/tin-tuc/cuu-ho-2-tau-ca-va-8-ngu-dan-bi-nan-tren-bien-727398>



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

Information Update:

05 Apr - International/ Illegal Fishing/ ROK Fish Carrier Expelled/ Unknown Number of Fishermen Expelled/ Off Bangkok, Thailand/ DB250423
(Information Update on DB150523)

It was updated that South Korea's Ministry of Fisheries fined the fishing carrier KRW 200 million (US \$150,000).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2023/03/09/thai-police-want-korean-ship-sent-home-for-illegal-fishing>
<https://www.seafoodsource.com/news/environment-sustainability/south-korea-thailand-take-action-against-sun-flower-7-but-10-other-vessels-accused-of-iuu-fishing>

Incidents:

17 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Tanjung Karang, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB190523

On 17 May, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen off Tanjung Karang, Selangor, Malaysia for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

"https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid0V7DudVQXnHtDvyHw1chgDW9MpQaSgtrhNzJLd89KckNWwguQMDfV8QbCNRimU3aPl&show_text=true&width=500

15 May - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Violation of Regulation/ Off Taean, ROK/ DB160523

On 15 May, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel off Taean, ROK for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.sisafocus.co.kr/news/articleView.html?idxno=297269>



Outside of Reporting Period:

19 Apr - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Chinese Small Boats/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Matsu Islands, Taiwan/ DB180523

On 19 Apr, local authorities detained three Chinese small boats and arrested 10 foreign fishermen off Matsu Islands, Taiwan for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://taiwanenglishnews.com/taiwan-coast-guard-deploys-elite-unit-for-high-speed-intercepts-of-chinese-speedboats/>

12 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Prohibited Equipment/ Pantai Alit, Kabong, Malaysia/ DB150523

On 12 May, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen off Pantai Alit, Kabong, Malaysia for illegal fishing methods.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid02mxKgwMvTGrKVPe4TBd4aJQ7MrPWDAFv9VJUoD9g55DqZwwQTAKoBx5LHJhzUtv7l&show_text=true&width=500

10 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Trawler Detained/ 2 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia/ DB150523

On 10 May, local authorities detained one trawler and arrested two foreign fishermen off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kosmo.com.my/2023/05/11/bot-pukat-tunda-tak-diusahakan-sendiri-guna-nelayan-warga-asing-ditahan-apmm/>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Information Update:

04 May - Fuel/ Diesel (1,350,000 Litres)/ Tanker/ Domestic Smuggling/ Sual, Pangasinan, Philippines/ DB150523
(Information Update on DB160523)

It was updated that the fuel originated from the Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/topstories/regions/869880/p54-million-worth-of-smuggled-diesel-seized-in-pangasinan/story/>

Incidents:

16 May - Fuel/ Diesel (1,220 Litres)/ Small Boat/ to Viet Nam/ Off Dung Quat Port, Viet Nam/ DB190523

On 16 May, local authorities seized 1,220 litres of diesel oil onboard a small boat off Dung Quat Port, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/loi-dung-dem-toi-van-chuyen-dau-do-trai-phap-luat-post461223.html>

16 May - Drugs/ Meth (938kg)/ Small Boat/ From Myanmar to Thailand/ Ranong Province, Thailand/ DB190523

On 16 May, local authorities seized 938kg of meth onboard a small boat off Ranong Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://twitter.com/yasdre/status/1659049748756844544?s=20>
<https://www.thairath.co.th/news/local/south/2694666>

13 May - Drugs/ Heroin (111kg) and Hashish (10kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ Indian Ocean/ DB190523

On 13 May, local authorities seized 111kg of heroin and 10kg of hashish onboard a fishing vessel in the Indian Ocean.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/05/18/202305181830/>

15 May - Tobacco/ Clove Cigarettes (4,270,000 Sticks)/ 3 Small Boats/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Tanjung Sepat, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB180523

On 15 May, local authorities seized 4,270,000 sticks of clove cigarettes onboard three small boats off Tanjung Sepat, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://theedgemalaysia.com/node/667402>

17 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (32,000,000 Sticks)/ Barge/ To Hong Kong/ Tuen Mun Cargo Handling Area, Hong Kong/ DB170523

On 17 May, local authorities seized 32,000,000 sticks of Cigarettes onboard a barge at Tuen Mun Cargo Handling Area, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.epochtimes.com/b5/23/5/16/n13998440.htm>

15 May - Wildlife/ Kangaroos (7 Animals)/ Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Jayapura, Papua, Indonesia/ DB160523

On 15 May, local authorities seized seven Kangaroos onboard a passenger vessel off Jayapura, Papua, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://voi.id/en/news/280058>

15 May - Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (400 Tons)/ 2 Cargo Vessels/ From China/ Off Xiluo Island, China/ DB160523

On 15 May, local authorities seized 400 tons of frozen goods onboard two cargo vessels off Xiluo Island, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://difang.gmw.cn/fj/2023-05/15/content_36561886.htm

15 May - Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (50 Tons)/ Cargo Vessel/ From China/ Off Xiluo Island, China/ DB160523

On 15 May, local authorities seized 50 tons of frozen goods onboard a cargo vessel off Xiluo Island, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://difang.gmw.cn/fj/2023-05/15/content_36561886.htm



15 May - Tobacco and Domestic Products/ Cigarettes (15 Boxes) and Liquor (95 Cartons)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Malaysia/ Samalaju, Bintulu, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB160523

On 15 May, local authorities seized 15 boxes of Cigarettes and 95 cartons of Liquor off Samalaju, Bintulu, Sarawak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0BuG1pa5ayogm65rciBGik8jFFYidYkAyNawp5QZaEfRc2oX3SnwxfmTpruNipRsMl>

14 May - Wildlife/ Crabs (43 Boxes)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Selangor, Malaysia/ DB160523

On 14 May, local authorities seized 43 boxes of Crabs onboard a small boat off Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?ref=saved&v=776362223936659>

14 May - Wildlife/ Cows (10 Cattle)/ Ro-Ro Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Bakauheni Port, Lampung, Indonesia/ DB160523

On 14 May, local authorities seized 10 Cows onboard a Ro-Ro vessel in Bakauheni Port, Lampung, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://demokrasinews.co.id/2023/05/14/akan-diselundupkan-sapi-dalam-truk-berpenutup-terpal-ini-ditahan-di-bakauheni/>

14 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (12,000,000 Sticks)/ Container Vessel/ To India/ Nhava Sheva International Container Terminal, India/ DB150523

On 14 May, local authorities seized 12,000,000 sticks of Cigarettes onboard a container vessel at Nhava Sheva International Container Terminal, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/mumbai/dri-seizes-foreign-origin-cigarettes-worth-rs-24-crore-in-mumbai-arrests-5-8608890/>

https://twitter.com/cbic_india/status/1657422685335621633

14 May - Drugs/ Meth (1.6 Tons)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Thailand/ Mai Khao Pier, Tha Sala District, Thailand/ DB150523

On 14 May, local authorities seized 1.6 tons of Meth off Mai Khao Pier, Tha Sala District, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2570285/nine-nabbed-loading-1-6-tonnes-of-meth-onto-boat>

14 May - Drugs/ Heroin (31kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Pakistan to India/ Gujarat, India/ DB150523

On 14 May, local authorities seized 31kg of Heroin off Gujarat, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/31kg-heroin-seizure-dead-dropping-the-new-modus-operandi-of-drug-mafia/articleshow/100219533.cms>

13 May - Drugs/ Meth (2,500kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ From Pakistan to India, Sri Lanka and Maldives/ Kochi, India/ DB150523

On 13 May, local authorities seized 2,500kg of Meth onboard a fishing vessel off Kochi, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://twitter.com/indiannavy/status/1657383756955811840>

<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/drugs-worth-rs-25000-crore-came-from-pakistan-cartel-officials-8609426/>

Outside of Reporting Period:

30 Apr - Drugs/ Cocaine (1.5kg)/ Ashore/ Riau Islands, Indonesia/ DB190523

On 30 Apr, local authorities seized 1.5kg of cocaine on a beach in the Riau Islands, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.thejakartapost.com/indonesia/2023/05/17/1-5-kg-of-cocaine-found-on-riau-islands-beach.html?utm_term=Autofeed&utm_medium=Social&utm_source=Facebook&fbclid=IwAR224ha49nF4pXyet1_qdd-FBSa7oIL-WNkg0jHUmkBsrnNYzcD0EHEwc#Echobox=1684396929

12 May - Domestic Products/ E-Cigarettes (45,686 Units)/ Container Vessel/ To India/ Nhava Sheva International Container Terminal, India/ DB170523

On 12 May, local authorities seized 45,686 units of E-Cigarettes onboard a container vessel at Nhava Sheva International Container Terminal, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://twitter.com/jnchcustoms/status/1656884663145873411>



11 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (1,158,600 Sticks)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Meranti, Riau, Indonesia/ DB170523

On 11 May, local authorities seized 1,158,600 sticks of Cigarettes off Meranti, Riau, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://riaupos.jawapos.com/kepulauan-meranti/14/05/2023/301302/rokok-ilegal-senilai-rp14-m-gagal-diselundupan-bea-cukai-pemiliknya-tak-ada.html>

06 May - Drugs/ Ecstasy (1,063.206kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Europe to Malaysia/ North Butterworth Container Terminal, Malaysia/ DB170523

On 6 May, local authorities seized 1,063.206kg of Ecstasy onboard a container vessel at North Butterworth Container Terminal, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2023/05/12/customs-seizes-ecstasy-pills-worth-over-rm78m-in-penang/68927>

12 May - Domestic Products/ Cosmetics (13 Boxes)/ Small Boat/ From Philippines to Indonesia/ Tahuna, Sangihe Island, Indonesia/ DB160523

On 12 May, local authorities seized 13 boxes of Cosmetics onboard a small boat off Tahuna, Sangihe Island, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/59093/TIM-SPECIAL-FORCE-QUICK-RESPONSE-PANGKALAN-TNI-AL-TAHUNA-TERTIBKAN-BARANG-ILEGAL/>

10 May - Drugs/ Mitragnine (20 Tons)/ Container Vessel/ From Indonesia to USA/ Kwai Chung Customhouse, Hong Kong/ DB160523

On 10 May, local authorities seized 20 tons of Mitragnine onboard a container vessel in Kwai Chung Customhouse, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_3750.html?p=1&y=&m=

01 May - Fuel/ Diesel (20,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ To Viet Nam/ Off Hon Chuoi Island, Viet Nam/ DB160523

On 1 May, local authorities seized 20,000 Litres of Diesel onboard a fishing vessel off Hon Chuoi Island, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/tich-thu-gan-20-ngan-lit-dau-khong-ro-nguon-goc-post461199.html>

09 May - Domestic Products/ Electronic products (300 Computers, 100 Air Conditioners, 50 Printers)/ Cargo Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Kien Giang, Viet Nam/ DB150523

On 9 May, local authorities seized 300 Computers, 100 Air Conditioners and 50 Printers onboard a cargo vessel off Kien Giang, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/tam-giu-tau-ca-vo-chu-voi-so-luong-hang-hoa-uoc-tinh-nhieu-ty-dong-post461127.html>

04 May - Fuel/ Diesel (1,350,000 Litres)/ Tanker/ To Philippines/ Sual, Pangasinan, Philippines/ DB150523

On 4 May, local authorities seized 1,350,000 litres of Diesel onboard a tanker off Sual, Pangasinan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/topstories/regions/869880/p54-million-worth-of-smuggled-diesel-seized-in-pangasinan/story/>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

17 May - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Tanjung Karang, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB190523

On 17 May, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested four Myanmar fishermen off Tanjung Karang, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

"https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid0V7DudVQXnHtDvyHw1chgDW9MpQaSgtrhNzJLd89KckNWwguQMDfV8QbCNRimU3aPl&show_text=true&width=500

16 May - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 6 Thai Fishermen/ Off Kuala Endau, Malaysia/ DB180523

On 16 May, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and six Thai fishermen off Kuala Endau, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2023/05/910508/malaysian-fishing-vessel-6-thai-nationals-detained-rompin>

15 May - Human Smuggling/ Unknown Vessel/ 10 Unknown Migrants/ To Malaysia/ Pengerang, Johor, Malaysia/ DB180523

On 15 May, local authorities arrested 10 migrants off Pengerang, Johor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.airtimes.my/2023/05/16/10-pati-semunyi-dalam-hutan-diberkas/>

16 May - Human Smuggling/ Small Boat/ 18 Myanmar, 10 Indonesian, 6 Bangladeshi/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Pelintung Beach, Indonesia/ DB170523

On 16 May, local authorities detained 18 Myanmar, 10 Indonesian and six Bangladeshi migrants at Pelintung Beach, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.antaranews.com/news/281922/navy-foils-attempt-to-smuggle-workers-foreigners-into-malaysia>

15 May - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Pulau Pasir Hitam, Perak, Malaysia/ DB170523

On 15 May, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested two Myanmar fishermen off Pulau Pasir Hitam, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kosmo.com.my/2023/05/16/dua-nelayan-warga-myanmar-ditahan-apmm/>

Outside of Reporting Period:

12 May - Illegal Documentation/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 2 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Jerejak Island, Penang, Malaysia/ DB150523

On 12 May, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested two Myanmar Fishermen off Jerejak Island, Penang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid035MyEy2St3ophA6cF9HkabHQeAeyzJcwfMud3tY6vVYmdVJR6QNCUuYLabKBh3Hmdl>

10 May - Illegal Documentation/ 1 Trawler/ 2 Thai Fishermen/ Off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia/ DB150523

On 10 May, local authorities detained one trawler and arrested two Thai fishermen off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kosmo.com.my/2023/05/11/bot-pukat-tunda-tak-diusahakan-sendiri-guna-nelayan-warga-asing-ditahan-apmm/>

10 May - Human Smuggling/ 1 Small Boat/ 35 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Klang, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB150523

On 10 May, local authorities detained one small boat and 35 Indonesian migrants off Klang, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.astroawani.com/berita-malaysia/geng-oum-gagal-seludup-pati-419342>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

NSTR



SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Outside of Reporting Period:

10 May - Others/ Undersea Cables/ Degraded Internet Connection/ Honiara, Solomon Islands/ DB150523

On 10 May, internet connection was disrupted after undersea cables off Honiara, Solomon Islands were damaged.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.solomonstarnews.com/vessel-anchor-cause-of-telecommunication-disruption-siscc/>



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

2022

IFC Spot Commentary 1/22 – Observations of Sea Theft Incidents Involving Tugs And Barges in Waters Off Tanjong 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 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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