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# MARSEC Weekly Report 15 - 21 Jul 23

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# OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (A0I)



For the period of 15 – 21 Jul 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	4	2-3
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	4
Maritime Incidents (MI)	1	33	5-12
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	10	13-15
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	16	16-19
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	4	20
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	0	21
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	22
Others	0	0	23

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

Incidents:

20 Jul - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Tanker/ Batu Ampar, Indonesia/ DB210723

The KSOP received a report from the ship shipping agent of PT. Balancia shipping Agency a.n Mrs. Lila regarding the attempted robbery on a tanker in the waters of Batu Ampar on 20 Jul at around 02:25 (UTC+7) in the morning.

Reporting chronology from the Agent as follows:

- 1. There has been an attempt on robbery on 20 Jul on a tanker anchored in Batu Ampar Waters (01° 10.54 N 103° 56.60 E) with agent PT. Balancia. There were indications of a robbery on his ship, boarded by 3-4 people.
- 2. After investigation, no items were reported stolen. According to the crew, they assessed that the perpetrators entered the engine room via ventilation pipes and doors which were unlocked.

News Link(s)/Info Source: ID ILO

16 Jul - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Panama-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB170723

- 1. POCC reported that a bulk carrier reported sighting of five perpetrators having boarded the vessel when transiting along Phillip Channel (1°08'48.0"N 103°27'36.0"E) on 16 Jul at 02:35 (UTC +8).
- 2. Ship master reported five perpetrators in the engine room. All crew accounted for, no injuries reported, that all crew are safe and accounted for. Nothing was reported stolen yet. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
Port Operation Control Centre - Maritime Port Authority

- 15 Jul Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Cyprus-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB170723
- 1. POCC reported that a bulk carrier reported sighting of five perpetrators boarded the vessel when transiting along Eastbound Lane of TSS (1°16'32.0"N 104°14'46.0"E) on 15 Jul at 02:10 (UTC+8).
- 2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for. No items were reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, China.

News Link(s)/Info Source: Port Operation Control Centre - Maritime Port Authority

15 Jul - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Marshal Islands-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillips Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB170723

- 1. POCC reported that a bulk carrier reported sighting of four perpetrators having boarded the vessel when transiting along Phillip Channel (1°02'52.8"N 103°40'16.8"E) on 15 Jul at 21:17 (UTC+8).
- 2. Ship master reported four perpetrators in the engine room and fled upon being sighted. All crew accounted for, no injuries reported. Nothing was reported stolen yet. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source: Port Operation Control Centre - Maritime Port Authority



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



# **SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)**

# Information Updates:

11 Jul - Missing/Equipment Failure/Fishing Vessel/ 9 Rescued/SAR/Off Mercedes, Camarines Norte, Philippines/DB180723 (Information Update on DB170723)

The title was updated from missing to rescued.

Incidents:

20 Jul - Adrift/ No Fuel/ Passenger Ferry/ 9 Rescued/ SAR/ Ihavandhippolhu Atoll, Maldives/ DB210723

On 20 Jul, a passenger vessel went adrift due to having no fuel in Ihavandhippolhu Atoll, Maldives. SAR was conducted and nine was rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source: https://halinews.com/16276

20 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 1 Missing, 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tingil Island, Pandeglang, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 20 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Tingil Island, Pandeglang, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was one dead, one missing and 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.tvonenews.com/daerah/banten/138882-kapal-nelayan-terbalik-di-pandeglang-1-abk-dilaporkan-hilang https://www.medcom.id/nasional/daerah/zNPYnDVb-kapal-nelayan-km-putri-cikal-03-tenggelam-di-perairan-pulau-tinjil

20 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Ship/ 9 Missing/ SAR/ Off Pulau Burung, Sebuyau, Malaysia/ DB210723

On 20 Jul, a cargo ship sank due to unknown cause off Pulau Burung, Sebuyau, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and nine remain missing.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2023/07/933082/cargo-ship-sinks-9-crew-members-missing

20 Jul - Others/ Water Ingress/ Container Vessel/ 19 Rescued/ SAR/ Kaohsiung, Taiwan/ DB210723

On 20 Jul, a container vessel had a water ingress in Kaohsiung, Taiwan. SAR was conducted and 19 was rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.taiwannews.com.tw/en/news/4949674

19 Jul - Missing/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Missing/ SAR/ Off Bintan Island, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 19 Jul, a fishing vessel went missing due to an unknown cause off Bintan Island, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were two missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://posmetro.co/2023/07/20/dua-nelayan-bintan-hilang-kontak-di-perairan-desa-malang/

19 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Hon Son Island, Kien Giang, Viet Nam/ DB210723

On 19 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due bad weather off Hon Son Island, Kien Giang, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and three were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.sggp.org.vn/chim-tau-3-thuyen-vien-troi-dat-tu-kien-giang-sang-ca-mau-post698262.html

https://baokiengiang.vn/trong-tinh/chim-tau-o-kien-hai-3-nguoi-mat-tich-15801.html

18 Jul - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Landing Craft/ SAR/ Bali Strait, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 18 Jul, a passenger ship sank due to an unknown cause in Bali Strait, Indonesia. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Kmp-Trisna-Dwitya-7397294.html

18 Jul - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Chemical Tanker/ Coral Sea/ DB210723

On 18 Jul, a chemical tanker went adrift due to an equipment failure in Coral Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Nord-Vision-9899985.html

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18 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ Myeik, Myanmar/ DB210723

On 18 Jul, a small boat sank due to bad weather in Myeik, Myanmar.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

http://www.daweiwatch.com/2023/07/19/news/62050/

17 Jul - Aviation Incident/ Human Error/ Helicopter and Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Micronesia/ DB210723

On 17 Jul, a fishing vessel and fishing vessel sank due to human error in Micronesia. SAR was conducted and three were rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.chinatimes.com/realtimenews/20230720003663-260402?chdtv

19 Jul - Others/ Other/ Fishing Vessel/ Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong/ DB200723

On 19 Jul, a fishing vessel acted as a gambling den in Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.hk01.com/%E7%AA%81%E7%99%BC/921211/%E9%A6%99%E6%B8%AF%E4%BB%94%E6%BC%81%E8%88%B9%E8%AE%8A%E8%B3%AD%E8%88%B9-%E8%AD%A6%E6%AA%A2%E8%B3%AD%E5%85%B7%E6%8B%9818%E7%94%B7

19 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 2 Fishing Vessel/ 4 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Piasau Utara, Miri, Malaysia/ DB200723

On 19 Jul, two fishing vessels sank due to bad weather off Piasau Utara, Miri, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were four missing and two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2023/07/20/dua-selamat-empat-masih-hilang-dalam-insiden-bot-karam-di-perairan-miri

19 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead/ Cat Lo Port, Vung Tau City, Viet Nam/ DB200723

On 19 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather in Cat Lo Port, Vung Tau City, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there was one dead.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://baotintuc.vn/xa-hoi/chim-tau-ca-mot-thuyen-vien-tu-vong-trong-ham-may-20230719213247337.htm

19 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nghe An, Viet Nam/ DB200723

On 19 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Nghe An, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://vtv.vn/xa-hoi/kip-thoi-cuu-song-4-ngu-dan-bi-chim-tau-tren-bien-20230719170714649.htm

18 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 12 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Cirebon, Indonesia/ DB200723

On 19 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress off Cirebon, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was one missing and 12 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.patrolicyber.com/abk-kapal-nelayan-bunga-jaya-yang-terbalik-di-perairan-cirebon-tim-sar-gabungan-evakuasi/

17 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Bangka Strait, Indonesia/ DB200723

On 17 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress in Bangka Strait, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was eight rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://bangka.tribunnews.com/2023/07/19/breaking-news-terombang-ambing-di-laut-12-jam-8-abk-klm-berkah-pandawa-setia-diselamatkan-nelayan

16 Jul - Adrift/Equipment Failure/Cargo Ship/Bay of Bengal/DB190723

On 16 Jul, a cargo ship went adrift due to equipment failure in the Bay of Bengal.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Grace-9325116.html

16 Jul - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Batu Puteh, Singapore Strait/ DB190723

On 16 Jul, a fishing vessel went adrift due to an equipment failure off Pulau Batu Puteh, Singapore Strait. SAR was conducted and two were rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://batamtoday.com/home/read/192554/diduga-masuk-perairan-malaysia-dua-nelayan-bintan-dikabarkan-hilang-saat-melaut

17 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Container Ship vs Ore Carrier/ SAR/ Off Ningbo, China/ DB180723

On 17 Jul, a container ship collided with an ore carrier off Ningbo, China. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://vov.vn/xa-hoi/hai-tau-ca-chim-11-thuyen-vien-duoc-cuu-vot-kip-thoi-post1033312.vov

17 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather (TS Talim)/ Fishing Vessel/ 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Con Dao, Viet Nam/ DB180723

On 17 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Con Dao, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and six were rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://vov.vn/xa-hoi/hai-tau-ca-chim-11-thuyen-vien-duoc-cuu-vot-kip-thoi-post1033312.vov

17 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather (TS Talim)/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Con Dao, Viet Nam/ DB180723

On 17 Jul, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Con Dao, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and five were rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://vov.vn/xa-hoi/hai-tau-ca-chim-11-thuyen-vien-duoc-cuu-vot-kip-thoi-post1033312.vov

15 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 3 Rescued/ Off Ninh Thuan, Viet Nam/ DB180723

On 15 Jul, fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Ninh Thuan, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted with one dead and three rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://thanhnien.vn/song-bien-danh-chim-tau-ca-mot-ngu-dan-tu-vong-o-ninh-thuan-185230716143400015.htm#

16 Jul - Missing/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 11 Missing/ SAR/ Off Konogogo, Papua New Guinea/ DB170723

On 16 Jul, a small boat went missing due to an unknown cause off Konogogo, Papua New Guinea. SAR was conducted and 11 still remain missing.

News Link(s)/Info Source:
Australian Maritime Safety Authority

16 Jul - Collision-Grounding/ Equipment Failure/ General Cargo Ship (with Ro-Ro)/ 129 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nasunugan Island, Romblon, Philippines/ DB170723

On 16 Jul, a general cargo ship (with ro-ro) went aground due to equipment failure off Nasunugan Island, Romblon, Philippines. SAR was conducted and 129 was rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/coastguardph/posts/pfbid0Ht9SimDAAZShJdTsS3z2griySqWEW48Dao7b5GqEwcq2b4RWBdBnAvTWdC6nw3Ksl

15 Jul - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Vessel/ 342 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Baluk Baluk Island, Hadji Muhtamad, Basilan, Philippines/ DB170723

On 15 Jul, a passenger vessel went adrift due to equipment failure Off Baluk Baluk Island, Hadji Muhtamad, Basilan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and 342 was rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/coastguardph/posts/pfbid02aUHYKotMqCsNfEf839uv9R999JVkuWidM28ZPqtU1T8TtRHF5HrXpamRUQfQ58qMl

15 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 1 Dead, 1 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Semporna, Celebes Sea, Malaysia/ DB170723

On 15 Jul, a small boat sank due to bad weather off Semporna, Celebes Sea, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there is one dead, one missing and two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2023/07/931305/authorities-search-missing-7-year-old-boy-semporna-waters

15 Jul - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 2 Missing/ SAR/ Off Kairiru Island, Papua New Guinea/ DB170723

On 15 Jul, a small boat sank due to an unknown cause off Kairiru Island, Papua New Guinea. SAR was conducted and two still remain missing.

News Link(s)/Info Source: Australian Maritime Safety Authority

# Out of Reporting Period:

14 Jul - Fire-Explosion/ Other/ Fishing Vessel/ Xuan Hoi Commune, Viet Nam/ DB180723

On 14 Jul, a fishing vessel caught fire in Xuan Hoi Commune, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/nang-nong-tau-ca-ngu-dan-boc-chay-thiet-hai-khoang-100-trieu-dong-post463559.html

14 Jul - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ 2 Tankers/ Patang City, Western Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB170723

On 14 Jul, two tankers went aground due to bad weather in Patang City, Western Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/42417/two-tankers-aground-western-sumatra/

13 Jul - Collision-Grounding/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Vessel/ 151 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pasir Padi, Bangka Belitung, Indonesia/ DB170723

On 16 Jul, a passenger vessel went aground due to equipment failure off Pasir Padi, Bangka Belitung, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and 151 was rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Sakura-Express-9079767.html, https://malangterkini.pikiran-rakyat.com/nasional/pr-1256879069/tim-sar-gabungan-evakuasi-151-penumpang-km-sakura-express-yang-kandas-di-perairan-pangkalpinang

13 Jul - Collision-Grounding/ Equipment Failure/ Cargo Vessel vs Bulk Carrier/ Cai Mep Port, Ba Ria-Vung Tau Province, Viet Nam/ DB170723

On 16 Jul, a cargo vessel collided with a bulk carrier due to equipment failure in Cai Mep Port, Ba Ria-Vung Tau Province, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/42421/wan-hai-new-11000-teu-container-ship-destroyed-flo/

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Wan-Hai-A02-9935090.html https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Vassos2-9852810.html

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12 Jul - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Tanker/ 12 Rescued/ SAR/ Muara Barito, South Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB170723

On 12 Jul, a tanker caught fire due to an unknown cause in Muara Barito, South Kalimantan, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and 12 was rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Ratu-Yamani-9731121.html

11 Jul - Missing/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 9 Missing/ SAR/ Off Mercedes, Camarines Norte, Philippines/ DB170723

On 11 Jul, a fishing vessel went missing due to an equipment failure off Mercedes, Camarines Norte, Philippines. SAR was conducted and nine still remain missing.

News Link(s)/Info Source: https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1205725

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

### Incidents:

16 Jul - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 4 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 16 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen, Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Jaffina, Sri Lanka/ DB200723

On 16 Jul, local authorities detained four local fishing vessels and arrested 16 local fishermen for invalid license and fishing with illegal gear off Jaffina, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/07/18/202307181500/

16 Jul - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ One Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ Nine Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Northwestern Australia/ DB200723

On 16 Jul, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released nine foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel in Northwestern Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australian Maritime Border Command

16 Jul - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ One Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ Eight Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Northwestern Australia/ DB200723

On 16 Jul, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released eight foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel in Northwestern Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australian Maritime Border Command

17 Jul - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Trawler Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Tanjung Dendang, Langkawi, Malaysia/ DB190723

On 17 Jul, local authorities detained one local trawler and arrested six local fishermen for fishing in prohibited area off Tanjung Dendang, Langkawi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2 Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid02phhPsH6HxuxhZz6ukhzQ7gULr9B8TJ99ZZuZ75Qh m5mhdhmc1xmAPorbvQSJZd21l&show\_text=true&width=500 15 Jul - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Pulau Terong, Perak, Malaysia/ DB170723

On 15 Jul, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested three foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel off Pulau Terong, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2 Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid0b4uY9H35Z8ofCTR5epi8UZH7WJHqDwrAXWf2KPjXyYnoAekJ6BwHvtgRtaG9hqZnl&show\_text=true&width=500

Out of Reporting Period:

10 Jun - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ Unknown Fishing Vessels Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Biduk Biduk, Berau Regency, East Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 10 Jun, local authorities detained unknown local fishing vessels and arrested three local fishermen for fishing with illegal in Biduk Biduk, Berau Regency, East Kalimantan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source: https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/July2023/iRJNKsxpjtzB59NG82Pf.pdf

22 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Small Boats Detained/ 11 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Kelapa Island, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 22 May, local authorities detained three small boats and arrested 11 local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear in Kelapa Island, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/July2023/iRJNKsxpitzB59NG82Pf.pdf

05 Jul - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ One Indonesian Fishing Vessel Released/ 6 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Northwestern Australia/ DB200723

On 5 Jul, local authorities released one Indonesian fishing vessel and released six foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel in Northwestern Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
Australian Maritime Border Command

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14 Jul - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Thanh Hoa Province, Viet Nam/ DB180723

On 14 Jul, local authorities detained two local fishing vessel and arrested six local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Thanh Hoa Province, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/bat-giu-2-tau-ca-ngoai-tinh-su-dung-luoi-da-cao-gan-kich-dien-khai-thac-hai-san-post463591.html

12 Jul - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 21 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Tok Bali Beach, Kelantan, Malaysia/ DB170723

On 12 Jul, local authorities detained one Vietnamese fishing vessel and arrested 21 foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel off Tok Bali Beach, Kelantan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.nst.com.my/news/crime-courts/2023/07/931277/twenty-one-vietnamese-fishermen-caught-encroaching-kelantan-waters

# SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

### Incidents:

19 Jul - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (147 Master Cases)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Cawit Waters, Zamboanga, Philippines/ DB210723

On 19 Jul, local authorities seized 147 master cases of cigarettes onboard a small boat in Cawit Waters, Zamboanga, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1967312/zamboanga/local-news/cops-arrest-5-seize-p51-m-smuggled-cigarettes

15 Jul - Domestic Products/ Counterfeit Products (1,269 Boxes)/ Ashore/ To Philippines/ Subic Port, Philippines/ DB210723

On 15 Jul, local authorities seized 1,269 boxes of counterfeit products going to Subic Port, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/BureauOfCustomsPH/posts/pfbid0c1qksPsDivtS1TtnktcbH3czdt2TYBA1yzQwA8ZUmkeFnQx87qs7V67x6BYUott8l

18 Jul - Tobacco/Kendu Leaves (557kg)/ 2 Small Boats/Off Negombo, Sri Lanka/DB200723

On 18 Jul, local authorities seized 557kg of Kendu leaves onboard two small boats off Negombo, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=92059

18 Jul - Fuel/ Diesel Oil/ 2 Tankers/ From Malaysia/ Off Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia/ DB200723

On 18 Jul, local authorities seized diesel oil from two tankers off Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.hmetro.com.my/mutakhir/2023/07/989335/dua-kapal-disyaki-pindah-diesel-tanpa-kebenaran-ditahan#google\_vignette

16 Jul - Domestic Products/Frozen Goods (10 Tons)/Cargo Ship/To China/Shacheng Port, Fuding, China/DB200723

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On 16 Jul, local authorities seized ten tons of frozen goods onboard a cargo ship in Shacheng Port, Fuding, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.fj.chinanews.com.cn/news/2023/2023-07-20/528784.html

15 Jul - Domestic Products/Frozen Goods (40 Tons)/Small Boat/To China/Off Wuyu Island, Fujian, China/DB200723

On 15 Jul, local authorities seized 40 tons of frozen goods onboard a small boat off Wuyu Island, Fujian, China.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

http://www.fj.chinanews.com.cn/news/2023/2023-07-20/528784.html

18 Jul - Weapons/ Explosives (34kg)/ Ly Son Island, Viet Nam/ DB190723

On 18 Jul, local authorities seized 34kg of explosives in Ly Son Island, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/portal/thuc-thi-phap-luat/tram-2-canh-sat-bien-phoi-hop-bat-giu-doi-tuong-mua-ban-trai-phep-thuoc-no

16 Jul - Domestic Products/ Used Clothes (64 Sacks)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Tarakan Waters, Indonesia/ DB180723

On 16 Jul, local authorities seized 64 sacks of used clothes onboard a small boat going from Malaysia to Tarakan waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

http://bisnismetro.id/tni-al-berhasil-gagalkan-penyelundupan-pakaian-bekas-ilegal-dari-malaysia/

15 Jul - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (250,000 Litres)/ Tanker/ Off Nam Can, Ca Mau, Viet Nam/ DB170723

On 15 Jul, local authorities seized 250,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a tanker off Nam Can, Ca Mau. Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/portal/thuc-thi-phap-luat/bo-tu-lenh-vung-canh-sat-bien-4-bat-giu-tau-van-chuyen-khoang-250-000-lit-dau-d-o-trai-phep

Out of Reporting Period:

05 Jun - Domestic Products/ Used Clothing/ Speed Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Sei Pancang Village, Nunukan Regency, North Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 5 Jun, local authorities seized used clothing onboard a speed boat going from Malaysia to Sei Pancang Village, Nunukan Regency, North Kalimantan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/July2023/iRJNKsxpitzB59NG82Pf.pdf

05 Jun - Drugs/Meth (2kg)/Ro-Ro Passenger Ship/Domestic Smuggling/Nusantara Port, Parepare City, South Sulawesi, Indonesia/DB210723

On 5 Jun, local authorities seized 2kg of meth onboard a ro-ro passenger ship in Nusantara Port, Parepare City, South Sulawesi, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/July2023/iRJNKsxpjtzB59NG82Pf.pdf

05 Jun - Fuel/ Petrol (2,400 Litres)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Indonesia to Timor Leste/ East Tasifeto District, Belu Regency, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 5 Jun, local authorities seized 2,400 litres onboard an unknown vessel going from East Tasifeto District, Belu Regency, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia to Timor Leste.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/July2023/iRJNKsxpitzB59NG82Pf.pdf

01 Jun - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (6,828 Bottles)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Berakit, Bintan, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 1 Jun, local authorities seized 6,268 bottles of alcohol onboard an unknown vessel going to Berakit, Bintan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activityreports/July2023/iRJNKsxpjtzB59NG82Pf.pdf

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05 Jul - Drugs/ Meth (112kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From China to Australia/ Port of Melbourne, Australia/ DB200723

On 18 Jul, local authorities seized 112kg of meth onboard an unknown vessel going from China to Port of Melbourne, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.afp.gov.au/news-media/media-releases/afp-arrest-nsw-man-following-112kg-methamphetamine-seizure

13 Jul - Natural Resources/ Cockle (1,375kg)/ Two Small Boats/ Off Koh Yao, Phang-nga, Thailand/ DB180723

On 13 Jul, local authorities seized 1,375kg of cockles onboard two small boats off Koh Yao, Phang-nga, Thailand.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/THAIMECC/posts/pfbid025ozsDmRfGyPJhLbMW3nN9Vib8XuX188Zrbngt49E5w5MiLRsU7a398LEMT5BhxJNl

07 Jul - Domestic Products/ Mushrooms (840kg)/ Small Boat/ Off Kinmen, Taiwan Strait/ DB170723

On 7 Jul, local authorities seized 840kg of mushroom onboard a small boat off Kinmen, Taiwan Strait.

News Link(s)/Info Source: https://n.yam.com/Article/20230716851171

# SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

### Incidents:

19 Jul - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 8 Indonesian Migrants/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Dumai Waters, Indonesia/ DB200723

On 19 Jul, local authorities detained a small boat and arrested eight Indonesian migrants for irregular human documentation in Dumai Waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.bakamla.go.id/publication/detail\_news/bakamla-ri-amankan-8-pmi-non-prosedural-di-medang-kampai-kota-dumai

17 Jul - Illegal Documentation/ Small Boat/ 2 Vietnamese Migrants/ Off Pulau Tengah, Malaysia/ DB190723

On 17 Jul, local authorities detained a small boat and arrested two Vietnamese migrants for illegal documentation off Pulau Tengah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2 Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid0fwYTiFa1rYgBZq8vmb8Hq7NY8CpMifij89zk6bjnpdQ9R xJfQqf21vEsqJ1vWnDml&show\_text=true&width=500

16 Jul - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 10 Indonesian Migrants/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Merlimau, Malacca, Malaysia/ DB190723

On 16 Jul, local authorities detained a small boat and arrested ten Indonesian migrants for irregular human migration off Merlimau, Malacca, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://malaysiagazette.com/2023/07/17/10-pati-indonesia-ditahan-di-pesisiran-pantai-merlimau/

Out of Reporting Period:

10 Jun - Irregular Human Migration/ Passenger Vessel/ 27 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia/ Lewoleba Sea Port, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia/ DB210723

On 10 Jun, local authorities detained a passenger vessel and arrested 27 Indonesian migrants in Lewoleba Sea Port, East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/July2023/iRJNKsxpjtzB59NG82Pf.pdf

# SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)



# SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)



# SECTION I: OTHERS



## 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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