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



For the period of 18 – 24 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)	1	0	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	25	4-9
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	1	13	10-13
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	24	14-19
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	1	8	20-23
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	2	24
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	1	0	25
Others	0	0	26

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

Information Update:

06 Nov - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Cargo Ship, Portugal-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Vung Tau Anchorage, Viet Nam/ DB231123
(Information Update on 091123)

It was updated that the incident took place on 6 Nov at 01:50 (UTC+7). It was also updated that there were 2-3 perpetrators, and six paint drums were stolen.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.recaap.org/reports>



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

23 Nov - Missing/ Other/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing/ SAR/ Wakatobi Waters, Indonesia/ DB241123

On 23 Nov, a fisherman on a fishing vessel went missing in Wakatobi waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://telisik.id/news/seorang-nelayan-hilang-di-perairan-karang-kapota-wakatobi>

22 Nov - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 13 Rescued/ SAR/ Car Nicobar, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, India/ DB241123

On 22 Nov, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure in Car Nicobar, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, India. SAR was conducted and there were 13 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://twitter.com/AN_Command/status/1727618599723122730

22 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Lingang Sangang Pool, China/ DB241123

On 22 Nov, a fishing vessel collided with another fishing vessel due to an unknown cause in Lingang Sangang Pool, China. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://news.enorth.com.cn/system/2023/11/22/054684546.shtml>

21 Nov - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Vessel/ 172 Rescued/ SAR/ Guimaras Strait, Philippines/ DB241123

On 21 Nov, a passenger vessel went adrift due to equipment failure in Guimaras Strait, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there 172 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.manilatimes.net/2023/11/23/regions/172-boat-passengers-rescued/1921110>

22 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ 17 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Balabac Palawan, Philippines/ DB231123

On 22 Nov, a cargo vessel went aground due to an unknown cause off Balabac Palawan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 17 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/11/22/23/vietnamese-cargo-ship-runs-aground-in-palawan>

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1073603913813552>

22 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Binh Thuan, Viet Nam/ DB231123

On 22 Nov, a fishing vessel sank as it collided with another ship off Binh Thuan, Viet Nam. SAR is still ongoing and there was one missing and two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vietnamnet.vn/tau-ca-chim-do-tau-hang-va-cham-tim-kiem-ngu-dan-mat-tich-o-bien-binh-thuan-2217963.html>

21 Nov - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 7 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Barangay McArthur in Tudela, Camotes, Philippines/ DB231123

On 21 Nov, a small boat went adrift due to equipment failure off Barangay McArthur in Tudela, Camotes, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were seven rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/11/21/23/passengers-rescued-from-distressed-motorbanca-in-](https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/11/21/23/passengers-rescued-from-distressed-motorbanca-in-cebu#:~:text=The%20Philippine%20Coast%20Guard%20stationed,encountered%20an%20%E2%80%9Cengine%20problem%E2%80%9D.)

[cebu#:~:text=The%20Philippine%20Coast%20Guard%20stationed,encountered%20an%20%E2%80%9Cengine%20problem%E2%80%9D.](https://news.abs-cbn.com/news/11/21/23/passengers-rescued-from-distressed-motorbanca-in-cebu#:~:text=The%20Philippine%20Coast%20Guard%20stationed,encountered%20an%20%E2%80%9Cengine%20problem%E2%80%9D.)

20 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 39 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Quy Nhon, Viet Nam/ DB231123

On 20 Nov, a fishing vessel sank due to equipment failure off Quy Nhon, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there were 39 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baomoi.com/ung-cuu-39-ngu-dan-quang-ngai-tren-tau-ca-gap-nan-tha-troi-tren-bien-c47607444.epi>

21 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Car Carrier/ 12 Rescued/ Inner Japan Sea, Japan/ DB221123

On 21 Nov, car carrier sank as it collided with an underwater rock at Inner Japan Sea, Japan. There were 12 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/43713/ro-ro-struck-rock-breached-abandoned-japan/>

21 Nov - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ Mundra Port, Gujarat, India/ DB221123

On 21 Nov, a cargo vessel caught fire due to an unknown cause in Mundra Port, Gujarat, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.indiatoday.in/india/story/mundra-port-boat-catch-fire-rice-adani-group-fire-fighters-gujarat-2465904-2023-11-21>

21 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Barge vs Unknown Vessel/ 1 Dead/ Lantau Island, Hong Kong/ DB221123

On 21 Nov, a barge collided with an unknown vessel due to an unknown cause in Lantau Island, Hong Kong. There was one dead.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestandard.com.hk/breaking-news/section/4/210601/Man-dies-after-two-boat-collision-in-Sunny-Bay>

20 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Dead, 3 Rescued/ Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, India/ DB221123

On 20 Nov, a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather in Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, India. There were two dead and three rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/andhra-pradesh/two-drowned-three-survived-in-fishing-boat-capsize-off-kakinada-coast/article67556997.ece>

19 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 4 Missing/ SAR/ Off Samudrakatuwa, Sri Lanka/ DB221123

On 21 Nov, a small boat capsized due to bad weather off Samudrakatuwa, Sri Lanka. SAR is still ongoing and there are four missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.hirunews.lk/354357/>

19 Nov - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Visakhapatnam Fishing Harbour, Andhra Pradesh, India/ DB221123

On 19 Nov, a fishing vessel caught fire due to an unknown cause in Visakhapatnam Fishing Harbour, Andhra Pradesh, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/visakhapatnam/massive-fire-breaks-out-at-visakhapatnam-fishing-harbour-over-25-boats-gutted/articleshow/105340552.cms>

18 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Trawler/ 25 Missing, 14 Rescued/ Off Dublar Char, Bangladesh/ DB221123

On 18 Nov, a trawler capsized due to bad weather off Dublar Char, Bangladesh. There were 25 missing and 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://unb.com.bd/category/Bangladesh/14-fishermen-missing-after-trawler-capsize-in-bay-of-bengal-rescued-by-dublar-char-fishers/125920>

18 Nov - Others/ Water Ingress/ Chemical Tanker/ 16 Rescued/ Off Badoc Island, Ilocos Norte, Philippines/ DB221123

On 18 Nov, a chemical tanker sustained damage to the propeller shaft, causing water to ingress off Badoc Island, Ilocos Norte, Philippines. There were 16 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1862357/16-foreign-crew-rescued-from-distressed-sierra-leone-chemical-tanker>

20 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ Binh Thuan Province, Viet Nam/ DB211123

On 20 Nov, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather in Binh Thuan Province, Viet Nam. There were 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Barzan-9708851.html](https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Barzan-9708851.html)
<https://vietnam.postsen.com/local/amp/575875>

20 Nov - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ SAR/ Port of Kumai, Indonesia/ DB211123

On 20 Nov, a cargo vessel caught fire due to an unknown cause in Port of Kumai, Indonesia. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.intimnews.com/kapal-pengangkut-pupuk-terbakar-di-pelabuhan-kumai/>

18 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Missing, 21 Rescued/ West of Shimokoshi Island, Kagoshima, East China Sea/ DB201123

On 18 Nov, a fishing vessel capsized due to an unknown cause west of Shimokoshi Island, Kagoshima, East China Sea. SAR is still ongoing and there were five missing and 21 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1782917587783427469&wfr=spider&for=pc>

Out of Reporting Period:

14 Nov - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Trawler/ 18 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh/ DB211123

On 14 Nov, a trawler went adrift due to engine failure in adverse weather off Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. SAR was conducted and there were 18 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/18-fishermen-rescued-coast-guard-deep-sea-coxs-bazar-741926>

17 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Dead, 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tien Giang, Viet Nam/ DB201123

On 17 Nov, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Tien Giang, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there was one dead and one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://tuoitre.vn/chim-tau-danh-ca-tren-bien-1-nguoi-chet-1-nguoi-duoc-cuu-song-20231119132151586.htm>

17 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing, 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Agno, Pangasinan, Philippines/ DB201123

On 17 Nov, small boat capsized due to bad weather off Agno, Pangasinan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one missing and one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.philstar.com/nation/2023/11/20/2312753/fisherman-missing-pangasinan>

16 Nov - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Small Boat/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Moalboal in Cebu, Philippines/ DB201123

On 16 Nov, a small boat capsized as it collided with an unknown object off Moalboal in Cebu, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 11 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.philstar.com/pilipino-star-ngayon/probinsiya/2023/11/19/2312610/11-koreano-nailigtas-sa-tumirik-na-bangka>

15 Nov - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ Wangan Fishing Harbor, Penghu, Taiwan/ DB201123

On 15 Nov, a fishing vessel caught fire due to equipment failure in Wangan Fishing Harbor, Penghu, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.taiwannews.com.tw/en/news/5040546>

<https://www.cna.com.tw/news/asoc/202311140336.aspx>

14 Nov - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Cargo Vessel/ Tam Nghia, Quang Nam, Viet Nam/ DB201123

On 14 Nov, a cargo vessel ran aground due to bad weather in Tam Nghia, Quang Nam, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/New-Energy-9306524.html>



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

Information Update:

29 Sep - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indian Fishing Vessel Detained and 1 Indian Fishing Vessel Released/ 32 Foreign Fishermen Released/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ British Indian Ocean Territories/ DB221123
(Information Update on DB211123)

The UK ILO was able to update that the fishermen were escorted from Diego Garcia on 13 Nov, with 21 fishermen onboard one fishing vessel and 11 fishermen on the BIOT Patrol Vessel. They were handed over to Indian CG on 20 Nov. One fishing vessel remains in Diego Garcia until fines for illegal fishing are paid. All fishing gear and the illegal catch have been confiscated.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
UK ILO

Incidents:

23 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Cambodian Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Kut Island, Trat, Gulf of Thailand, Thailand/ DB241123

On 23 Nov, local authorities detained one Cambodian fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas in Kut Island, Trat, Gulf of Thailand, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
RTN, THAI-MECC

21 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Pakistani Fishing Vessel Detained/ 13 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Arabian Sea, India/ DB241123

On 21 Nov, local authorities detained one Pakistani fishing vessel and arrested 13 foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel in the Arabian Sea, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://twitter.com/DefencePRO_Guj/status/1727221408101736558?s=20

21 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Sri Lankan Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Dhanushkodi, Tamil Nadu, India/ DB221123

On 21 Nov, local authorities detained one Sri Lankan fishing vessel and arrested five foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel in Dhanushkodi, Tamil Nadu, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/five-fishermen-from-sri-lanka-detained-by-indian-coast-guard-near-dhanushkodi/article67558169.ece>

21 Nov - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Misreporting Catches/ Off Chagwi Island, Jeju, ROK/ DB221123

On 21 Nov, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for misreporting catches off Chagwi Island, Jeju, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.jejumaeil.net/news/articleView.html?idxno=331681>

20 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Langkawi, Malaysia/ DB221123

On 20 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas off Langkawi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0Njm8h5Epkb6kMpSFUASTRoGwqgZQBbrfb9vV3Fjxr5YZmvWaZ8kyEiCFewGLNciNI>

20 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 9 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-Permitted Species/ Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB221123

On 20 Nov, local authorities detained three Chinese fishing vessels and arrested nine local fishermen for fishing non-permitted species in Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2023/11/21/202311211430/>

20 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Malaysian Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Lipe Island, Andaman Sea, Thailand/ DB211123

On 20 Nov, local authorities detained one Malaysian fishing vessel and arrested four local fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas in Lipe Island, Andaman Sea, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/ojALsqXCTM99z1Ks/?mibextid=DNZUvx>

18 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local and 1 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Kuala Terung, Perak, Malaysia/ DB201123

On 18 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested one local and one foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas and invalid license of fishermen off Kuala Terung, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0jUP7q9TiSQy12PiYZAgpPyTNB1LMkxzMuaYkFPnCv7Whpwm6HCzhBrDs1cfhEiQl>

Out of Reporting Period:

29 Sep - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Indian Fishing Vessel Detained and 1 Indian Fishing Vessel Released/ 35 Foreign Fishermen Released/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ British Indian Ocean Territories/ DB211123

On 29 Sep, local authorities detained one Indian fishing vessel, released one Indian fishing vessel and released 35 foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas in British Indian Ocean Territories.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://english.jagran.com/india/35-tamil-nadu-fishermen-arrested-near-british-indian-ocean-territory-handed-over-to-indian-coast-guard-10115133>

17 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Bagan Datuk, Perak, Malaysia/ DB201123

On 17 Nov, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested ten foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishermen off Bagan Datuk, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://berita.rtm.gov.my/semasa/senarai-berita-semasa/senarai-artikel/maritim-tahan-10-nelayan-warga-myanmar-di-perairan-perak>

16 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Southwest of Penang, Malaysia/ DB201123

On 16 Nov, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested five foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel southwest of Penang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://berita.rtm.gov.my/semasa/senarai-berita-semasa/senarai-artikel/apmm-pulau-pinang-tahan-pekerja-asing-kendali-bot-nelayan-tempatan>

15 Nov - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Released/ 3 Unknown Fishermen Released/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas and Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Oryukdo Island, ROK/ DB201123

On 15 Nov, local authorities released one local fishing vessel and three unknown fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas and fishing with illegal gear off Oryukdo Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.busan.com/view/busan/view.php?code=2023111611164217297>

14 Nov - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Foreign Fishing Vessels Detained/ 9 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and License of Fishermen/ Off Tanjong Kidurong in Bintulu, Malaysia/ DB201123

On 14 Nov, local authorities detained three foreign fishing vessels and arrested nine foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel and fishermen off Tanjong Kidurong in Bintulu, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.theborneopost.com/2023/11/17/mmea-detains-indonesian-crew-fishing-boats-off-bintulu/>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

22 Nov - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (140 Cans)/ Small Boat/ To Brunei/ Off Brunei Bay, Brunei/ DB241123

On 22 Nov, local authorities seized 140 cans of alcohol onboard a small boat off Brunei Bay, Brunei.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.pelitabrunei.gov.bn/Lists/Berita%202018/NewDisplayForm.aspx?ID=50259>

22 Nov - Tobacco/ Tendu Leaves (477kg)/ Adrift/ To Sri Lanka/ Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB241123

On 22 Nov, local authorities seized 477kg of tendu leaves in Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2023/11/23/202311231145/>

22 Nov - Chemical Substances/ Urea Fertilizer (100 Tons)/ Cargo Ship/ To Vietnam/ Off Tien Giang, Viet Nam/ DB241123

On 22 Nov, local authorities seized 100 tons of urea fertilizer onboard a cargo ship off Tien Giang, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://antv.gov.vn/kinh-te-5/bat-giu-01-tau-van-chuyen-gan-100-tan-phan-ure-khong-ro-nguon-goc-B9A2592F0.html>

21 Nov - Domestic Products/ Pork (5 Tons)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling (Palu to Balikpapan)/ Mamuju Port, Indonesia/ DB241123

On 21 Nov, local authorities seized five tons of pork onboard an unknown vessel in Mamuju Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://radarsulbar.fajar.co.id/2023/11/23/karantina-mamuju-gagalkan-penyelundupan-daging-babi-sebanyak-5-ton-ke-balikpapan/>

20 Nov - Domestic Products/ Assorted Goods/ Container Vessel/ To Myanmar/ Hteedan Checkpoint, Yangon, Myanmar/ DB241123

On 20 Nov, local authorities seized assorted goods onboard a container vessel in Hteedan Checkpoint, Yangon, Myanmar.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.gnlm.com.mm/illegal-timbers-foodstuffs-medications-consumer-goods-industrial-materials-and-vehicles-confiscated/>

21 Nov - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (864,000 Sticks)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Merak Port, Banten, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 21 Nov, local authorities seized 864,000 sticks of cigarettes onboard an unknown vessel at Merak Port, Banten, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://pandeglang.inews.id/read/373571/lanal>

20 Nov - Drugs/ Cannabis (101kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Sri Lanka/ Sampalodai, Jaffna, Sri Lanka/ DB221123

On 20 Nov, local authorities seized 101kg of cannabis onboard an unknown vessel in Sampalodai, Jaffna, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2023/11/21/202311210700/>

Out of Reporting Period:

08 Nov - Domestic Products/ Pine Nuts (300 Tons), Clothing (100 Tons)/ Cargo Vessel/ To China/ Off Shanghai, China/ DB241123

On 8 Nov, local authorities seized 300 tons of pine nuts and 100 tons of clothing onboard a cargo vessel off Shanghai, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1782083492645598613&wfr=spider&for=pc>

07 Nov - Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (280 Tons) / Bulk Carrier/ To China/ Baoshan Anchorage, China/ DB241123

On 7 Nov, local authorities seized 280 tons of frozen goods onboard a bulk carrier in Baoshan Anchorage, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1782083492645598613&wfr=spider&for=pc>

04 Nov - Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (13 Tons)/ Fishing Vessel/ To China/ Jianzhou Island, China/ DB241123

On 4 Nov, local authorities seized 13 tons of frozen goods onboard a fishing vessel in Jianzhou Island, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1782698039407044626&wfr=spider&for=pc>

27 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (0.5kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Sei Bolong Pier, North Nunukan, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 27 Oct, local authorities seized 0.5kg of meth onboard an unknown vessel at Sei Bolong Pier, North Nunukan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/November2023/9LVA3dzQkmtco8dg72vi.pdf>

23 Oct - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (3,500 Litres)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Southeast Maluku, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 23 Oct, local authorities seized 3,500 litres of diesel oil onboard an unknown vessel in Southeast Maluku, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/November2023/9LVA3dzQkmtco8dg72vi.pdf>

https://www.rri.co.id/maluku/daerah/414168/lanal-tual-gagalkan-perdagangan-bbm-bersubsidi-dilaut?utm_source=news_video_widget&utm_medium=internal_link&utm_campaign=general_campaign

16 Oct - Drugs/ Ecstasy (3.38kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Bengkalis Regency, Riau, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 16 Oct, local authorities seized 3.38kg of ecstasy onboard an unknown vessel in Bengkalis Regency, Riau, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/November2023/9LVA3dzQkmtco8dg72vi.pdf>

16 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (2.2kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Karimun Regency, Riau Islands, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 16 Oct, local authorities seized 2.2kg of meth onboard an unknown vessel in Karimun Regency, Riau Islands, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/November2023/9LVA3dzQkmtco8dg72vi.pdf>

06 Oct - Others/ Cash (US\$ 41,700)/ Passenger Vessel/ To Singapore/ Singapore Cruise Centre, Singapore/ DB231123

On 6 Oct, local authorities seized US\$ 41,700 of cash onboard a passenger vessel in Singapore Cruise Centre, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/Immigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid02u76sxyz3k89QhGJ8476bEHo74o3qin5L3eN5SC5ADQC3MbfYv8u1dHUMKJAWdVkrI>

05 Oct - Others/ Cash (US\$ 41,700)/ Passenger Vessel/ To Singapore/ Singapore Cruise Centre, Singapore/ DB231123

On 5 Oct, local authorities seized US\$ 41,700 of cash onboard a passenger vessel in Singapore Cruise Centre, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/Immigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid02u76sxyz3k89QhGJ8476bEHo74o3qin5L3eN5SC5ADQC3MbfYv8u1dHUMKJAWdVkrI>

01 Jul - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (83,999 Cartons)/ Container Vessel/ From UAE Through Singapore To UK/ Singapore/ DB231123

On 1 Jul, local authorities seized 83,999 cartons of cigarettes onboard a cargo vessel in Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/SingaporeCustoms/posts/pfbid0waAiufayLiEcXo7y1j7ZHJYN4HWaeS97NpahgYn3itG2PR8xHU96EsQk6bTkebHTI>
<https://www.customs.gov.sg/files/2023-9-11-media-release.pdf>

17 Nov - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (369,600 Sticks)/ Container Vessel/ From China to Hong Kong/ Nansha District, Guangdong Province, China/ DB211123

On 17 Nov, local authorities seized 369,600 sticks of cigarettes onboard a container vessel in Nansha District, Guangdong Province, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://container-news.com/duty-unpaid-cigarettes-found-in-container-in-nansha/>

15 Nov - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (19,500 Litres)/ Small Boat/ To India/ Sewri Jetty, India/ DB211123

On 15 Nov, local authorities seized 19,500 litres of illegal diesel oil onboard a small boat in Sewri Jetty, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.freepressjournal.in/mumbai/mumbai-news-yellow-gate-police-seize-smuggled-diesel-worth-18-lakh-in-boat-6-held>

12 Nov - Weapons/ Guns (3 Rifles) and Ammunition (58 Rounds)/ Passenger Ferry/ Domestic Smuggling/ Yos Sudarso Port, Ambon, Indonesia/ DB211123

On 12 Nov, local authorities detained a suspect and seized three rifles with 58 rounds (5.56 cal) of ammunition onboard a passenger ferry in Yos Sudarso Port, Ambon, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://peloporwiratama.co.id/2023/11/20/tni-al-berhasil-gagalkan-penyelundupan-senjata-dan-amunisi-ilegal-menuju-nabire-di-pelabuhan-ambon/>,

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/65370/tni-al-berhasil-gagalkan-penyelundupan-senjata-dan-amunisi-ilegal-menuju-nabire-di-pelabuhan-ambon/>

12 Nov - Drugs/ Cocaine (23kg)/ Cargo Vessel/ To Australia/ Port Pirie, South Australia, Australia/ DB211123

On 12 Nov, local authorities seized 23kg of cocaine onboard a cargo vessel in Port Pirie, South Australia, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://amp.9news.com.au/article/861f209d-a27d-4e15-959a-050259e51e72>

09 Nov - Domestic Products/ Electronic Goods/ Container Vessel/ From Hong Kong to Viet Nam/ Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong/ DB211123

On 9 Nov, local authorities seized smuggled electronic goods worth US\$1,026,400 onboard a container vessel in Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/sc/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_3974.html?p=1&y=&m=

15 Nov - Fuel/ Petroleum/ Small Boat/ To Philippines/ Bongao Island, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB201123

On 15 Nov, local authorities seized petroleum onboard a small boat in Bongao Island, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=pfbid0xAZtkZmaRBXCGHqQh92sbtDsXmqccastTWXuvXpGXjtrEGkwjJuyRekZ2pa1KCXFl&id=100087248021386

02 Nov - Wildlife/ Lobster (95 Boxes) and Arapaima Fry (1000 Pieces)/ Fishing Vessel/ North of Wailingding Island, China/ DB201123

On 2 Nov, local authorities seized 95 boxes of lobster and 1000 pieces of arapaima fry onboard a fishing vessel north of Wailingding Island, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1782634876643813025&wfr=spider&for=pc>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Information Update:

16 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 256 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh to Indonesia/ Off Bireueun, Aceh, Indonesia/ DB201123
(Information Update on DB171123)

It was updated that the vessel arrived in Aceh province's Bireuen district on 19 Nov, with 256 people onboard (including 110 women and 60 children).

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/asia/rohingya-refugees-indonesia-aceh-united-nations-3931996>

<https://www.voanews.com/a/official-rejected-rohingya-boat-sighted-off-indonesia-coast/7360555.html>

IFC Comments:

The Myanmar ILO highlighted that The Republic of the Union of Myanmar reaffirmed the term "Bengali", and the term "Rohingya Migrants" refers to "Illegal Migrants". And Myanmar authorities had announced that these were illegal migrants who are called Bengalis, not Burmese migrants.

Incidents:

22 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 12 Unknown Migrants/ To Australia/ Kalumburu, Australia/ DB241123

On 22 Nov, local authorities arrested 12 unknown migrants onboard a small boat in Kalumburu, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2023/nov/23/wa-border-force-custody-12-asylum-seekers-nauru>

21 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 219 Rohingya Migrants/ To Indonesia/ Sabang City, Aceh, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 21 Nov, local authorities arrested 219 rohingya migrants onboard an unknown vessel in Sabang City, Aceh, Indonesia.

IFC Comments:

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News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/more-rohingya-refugees-land-in-indonesia-pushing-weekly-total-past-1000/>
https://voi.id/en/news/331969#google_vignette

20 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 4 Pakistani and 4 Unknown Migrants/ To Hong Kong/ Shek O Beach, Hong Kong/ DB211123

On 20 Nov, local authorities arrested four Pakistani and four unknown migrants were being hunted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3242167/hong-kong-police-arrest-4-pakistani-nationals-over-entering-city-unlawfully-hunt-4-other-suspected>

20 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 2 Indonesian Migrants/ To Singapore/ Off Tanah Merah Coast Road, Singapore/ DB211123

On 20 Nov, local authorities arrested two Indonesian migrants onboard a small boat off Tanah Merah Coast Road, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/singapore/singapore-police-force-coast-guard-arrest-indonesian-illegal-entering-3934166>

19 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 241 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh to Indonesia/ Pidie Regency, Aceh, Indonesia/ DB201123

On 19 Nov, local authorities arrested 241 rohingya migrants onboard a fishing vessel in Pidie Regency, Aceh, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.benarnews.org/english/news/indonesian/rohingya-boats-aceh-indonesia-11192023111027.html>

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/asia/rohingya-refugees-indonesia-aceh-united-nations-3931996>

IFC Comment:

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19 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel and Small Boat/ 36 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh to Indonesia/ East Aceh, Indonesia/ DB201123

On 19 Nov, local authorities arrested 36 rohingya migrants onboard a fishing vessel and a small boat in East Aceh, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/asia/rohingya-refugees-indonesia-aceh-united-nations-3931996>

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

18 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 4 Unknown Migrants/ To Hong Kong/ Peaked Hill, Hong Kong/ DB201123

On 18 Nov, local authorities arrested four unknown migrants onboard an unknown vessel in Peaked Hill, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.scmp.com/news/hong-kong/law-and-crime/article/3242024/hong-kong-marine-police-rescue-4-suspected-illegal-immigrants-spotted-tiny-island>

Out of Reporting Period:

15 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 200 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh to Indonesia/ Pidie Regency, Aceh, Indonesia/ DB201123

On 15 Nov, local authorities arrested 200 rohingya migrants onboard a fishing vessel and a small boat in Pidie Regency, Aceh, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/around-200-more-rohingya-arrive-indonesias-aceh-2023-11-15/>

<https://www.straitstimes.com/asia/third-batch-of-around-200-rohingya-arrive-in-indonesias-aceh>

IFC Comment:

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SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incidents:

22 Nov - MARPOL/ Liquid (Oil Leak)/ Cargo Vessel/ Local Contamination/ Off Balabac Palawan, Philippines/ DB231123

On 22 Nov, there was an oil leak due to a cargo vessel off Balabac Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1073603913813552>

Out of Reporting Period:

28 Oct - MIE/ Sand Mining/ Dredger/ Sea Sand Mining/ Jakarta Bay, Indonesia/ DB231123

On 28 Oct, a dredger was dredging sand without a permit in Jakarta Bay, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/November2023/9LVA3dzQkmtco8dg72vi.pdf>



SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Information Update:

10 Nov - Others/ Port Terminal Infrastructure/ Unknown/ DP World Australia/ Suspension of Terminal Operations/ Sydney, New South Wales, Australia/ DB201123 (Information Update on DB141123)

It was updated that Port operator DP World Australia had failed to fix a critical IT vulnerability when hit by a recent cyber attack, according to multiple cybersecurity analysts.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2023-11-17/dp-world-vulnerable-to-citrixbleed-exploit/103109242>



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 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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