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# MARSEC Weekly Report 26 Aug -31 Aug 23

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



For the period of 26 Aug - 31 Aug 23, the number of incidents reported by the IFC within the AOI are as follows:

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Category	Updates	Incidents	Page Reference
Theft, Robbery, and Piracy at Sea (TRAPS)	0	1	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	33	4-11
Illegal, Unregulated, and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	13	12-14
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	28	15-21
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	3	22
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	0	23
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	24
Others	0	0	25

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

#### Incident:

29 Aug - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, United States-Flagged/ No Injury/ Berthed/ Berth 112, Belawan Port, Indonesia/ DB310823

Duty crew onboard a berthed bulk carrier noticed three robbers armed with knives at the forecastle. The alarm was received, and the crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped with the ship's stores. The incident was reported to the local authorities through the local agent.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS)

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

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



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

#### Incidents:

30 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Wakatobi Regency, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB310823

On 30 Aug, a fishing vessel sank due to an unknown cause in Wakatobi Regency, Southeast Sulawesi, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://voi.id/en/news/305975

29 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Human Error/ Small Boat/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Lahad Datu, Sabah, Celebes Sea/ DB310823

On 29 Aug, a small boat sank due to human error off Lahad Datu, Sabah, Celebes Sea. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://sabahmedia.com/2023/08/30/maritim-malaysia-berjaya-selamatkan-empat-mangsa-bot-karam/?fbclid=IwAR1FZYAPJUCJvk3ny-nyN1NYNmU4LWL0EVM\_maZJLDA0CQqJtEk0aDpmSc8

29 Aug - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Soc Trang, Viet Nam/ DB310823

On 29 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to bad weather off Soc Trang, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://baotintuc.vn/bien-dao-viet-nam/soc-trang-cuu-ho-thanh-cong-tau-ca-gap-nan-tren-bien-20230830112833003.htm

27 Aug - Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ Penghu County, Taiwan/ DB310823

On 27 Aug, a small boat went adrift due to an unknown cause in Penghu County, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.taiwannews.com.tw/en/news/4984981

26 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh/ DB310823

On 26 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure in the Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh. SAR was conducted and there were 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://unb.com.bd/category/Bangladesh/14-fishermen-rescued-four-days-after-being-stranded-on-sea/121202

30 Aug - Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Gulf of Mannar, India/ DB300823

On 30 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to an unknown cause in Gulf of Mannar, India. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://twitter.com/IndiaCoastGuard/status/1696555699818360907

29 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ SAR/ Apra Harbor, Guam/ DB300823

On 29 Aug, a small boat capsized due to an unknown cause in Apra Harbor, Guam. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.kuam.com/story/49555172/owner-of-overturned-skiff-outside-apra-harbor-sought

28 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Vessel/ 24 Rescued/ SAR/ Luuk Tulay, Bongao, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB300823

On 28 Aug, a passenger vessel went adrift due to equipment failure in Luuk Tulay, Bongao, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 24 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story\_fbid=pfbid02fDxTkywMjG2YK6TGPNk5d38 NdRz9MXvbLykPUx8tpKBCR5b7ybafo1s3qciDtZehl&id=100083159291177

28 Aug - Cargo Mishap/Bad Weather/Cargo Vessel/Off Olhuvelifushi, Maldives/DB300823

On 28 Aug, a cargo vessel undergone a cargo mishap due to bad weather off Olhuvelifushi, Maldives.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://mndf.gov.mv/mndf/en/news-article-dhiv.php?article=4648

27 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Dead, 2 Rescued/ Alvegadde, Karnataka, India/ DB300823

On 27 Aug, a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather in Alvegadde, Karnataka, India. There were two dead and two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://sahilonline.org/two-drowned-and-missing-in-shiroor-arabian-sea-near-bhatkal-during-fishing

27 Aug - Missing/Cause Unknown/Fishing Vessel/ 9 Rescued/SAR/Selolong, Bengkulu, Indonesia/DB300823

On 27 Aug, a fishing vessel went missing due to an unknown cause in Selolong, Bengkulu, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were nine resuced.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/62462/TNI-AL-LANAL-BENGKULU-BANTU-PENCARIAN-9-ABK-NELAYAN-YANG-HILANG-HANYUT-HINGGA-DITEMUKAN-DI-PERAIRAN-SELOLONG/

28 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Passenger Vessel/ 9 Rescued/ SAR/ Pantai Teluk Batik, Perak, Malaysia/ DB290823

On 28 Aug, a passenger vessel capsized due to an unknown cause in Pantai Teluk Batik, Perak, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were nine rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.thesundaily.my/local/two-rescued-seven-others-swim-ashore-after-boat-capsizes-in-pantai-teluk-batik-0G11420961

28 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ San Agustin, Romblon, Philippines/ DB290823

On 28 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure in San Agustin, Romblon, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1823098/pcg-rescues-two-romblon-fishermen-after-boat-engine-fails

27 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 13 Rescued/ SAR/ Cape Santiago, Calatagan, Batangas, Philippines/ DB290823

On 27 Aug, a fishing vessel sank due to an unknown cause in Cape Santiago, Calatagan, Batangas, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 13 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1823100/pcg-rescues-13-crew-in-sunken-fishing-vessel-in-batangas

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27 Aug - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Tanker/ 5 Foreigners/ Off Tanjong Lobang, Miri, Malaysia/ DB290823

On 27 Aug, a tanker with five foreigners onboard was detained off Tanjong Lobang, Miri, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2023/08/27/apmm-tahan-lima-kru-asing-dan-kapal-tangki

27 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 13 Recued/ SAR/ Spratly Islands, South China Sea/ DB290823

On 27 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure in Spratly Islands, South China Sea. SAR was conducted and there were 13 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://baotintuc.vn/bien-dao-viet-nam/tau-hai-quan-lai-keo-tau-ca-hong-may-cung-13-ngu-dan-vao-noi-an-toan-20230828095034580.htm

26 Aug - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Passenger Vessel/ Pulau Dayang Bunting, Kedah, Malaysia/ DB290823

On 26 Aug, a passenger vessel was detained due to unauthorised operation in Pulau Dayang Bunting, Kedah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.freemalaysiatoday.com/category/nation/2023/08/27/mmea-detains-sunset-cruise-ship-off-langkawi-for-violation-of-laws/

26 Aug - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ Sunda Kelapa Harbor, Jakarta, Indonesia/ DB280823

On 26 Aug, a cargo vessel caught fire in Sunda Kelapa Harbor, Jakarta, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/42817/general-cargo-ship-major-fire-jakarta-video/

26 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Toronipa Waters, Indonesia/ DB280823

On 26 Aug, two were rescued and one is missing after a small boat sank in Toronipa Waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.detik.com/sulsel/berita/d-6898065/kapal-tenggelam-di-perairan-labengki-sultra-2-penumpang-selamat-1-hilang

26 Aug - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Taitung County, Taiwan/ DB280823

On 26 Aug, a fishing vessel went aground in Taitung County, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://focustaiwan.tw/photos/20230827ENP0001m

26 Aug - Others/ Collision-Grounding/ Cargo Vessel/ Cat Ba Island, Viet Nam/ DB280823

On 26 Aug, a cargo vessel collided with a power transmission line off Cat Ba Island, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://vietnam.postsen.com/business/amp/457284

Out of Reporting Period:

25 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Cargo Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ East Kotawaringin, Central Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB310823

On 25 Aug, a cargo vessel sank due to bad weather in East Kotawaringin, Central Kalimantan, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://klik7tv.co.id/klm-berkat-sentosa-jaya-tenggelam-di-perairan-sampit-abk-dievakuasi-ke-pos-tni-al-samuda/

24 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Fishing Vessel vs Unknown Vessel/ 1 Missing, 7 Rescued/ SAR/ Dev Bhoomi Dwarka District, Gujarat, India/ DB310823

On 24 Aug, a fishing vessel collided with an unknown vessel causing it to sink at Dev Bhoomi Dwarka District, Gujarat, India. SAR was conducted and there was one missing and seven rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.hindustantimes.com/cities/others/fishing-trawler-collision-off-gujarat-coast-leaves-one-fisherman-missing-seven-rescued-by-another-vessel-101692868724005.html

23 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cargo Mishap/ Dredger/ 18 Rescued/ SAR/ Kelabat Bay, West Bangka Regency, Indonesia/ DB310823

On 23 Aug, a dredger capsized due to cargo mishap in Kelabat Bay, West Bangka Regency, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were 18 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/62319/TNI-AL-BERHASIL-SELAMATKAN-ABK-KAPAL-YANG-TENGGELAM-DI-BANGKA-BELITUNG/

https://lintasbabel.inews.id/read/336449/kip-11-milik-pt-timah-tenggelam-di-perairan-bangka

25 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 5 Rescued/ Simbo, Solomon Islands/ DB300823

On 23 Aug, a small boat sank due to bad weather in Simbo, Solomon Islands. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.solomonstarnews.com/5-rescued-after-boat-sinking-incident-near-simbo/

25 Aug - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Malaoge, Lasalimu Selatan District, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 25 Aug, a small boat went adrift due to bad weather in Malaoge, Lasalimu Selatan District, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://panduanrakyat.com/dihantam-gelombang-perahu-tujuan-butur-wanci-mati-mesin-tiga-orang-hilang-di-perairan-malaoge-buton

24 Aug - Others/ Mooring-Anchoring/ Bulk Carrier vs Bulk Carrier/ Chittagong Outer Anchorage, Bangladesh/ DB300823

On 24 Aug, a bulk carrier got entangled with another bulk carrier in Chittagong Outer Anchorage, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Chitral-9272876.html

22 Aug - Missing/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing, 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Ramos Island, Malaita Province, Solomon Islands/ DB300823

On 22 Aug, a small boat went missing due to bad weather in Ramos Island, Malaita Province, Solomon Islands. SAR was conducted and there was one missing and one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.solomontimes.com/news/police-search-for-missing-person-after-fishing-accident/12769

23 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off La Gi, Binh Thuan, Viet Nam/ DB290823

On 23 Aug, a fishing vessel sank due to an equipment failure off La Gi, Binh Thuan, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

http://vmrcc.gov.vn/tin-tuc/chim-tau-ca-4-lao-dong-duoc-cuu-kip-thoi-1354.html

25 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Fire-Explosion/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Barangay 10, Balayan, Batangas, Philippines/ DB280823

On 25 Aug, one was rescued after a fishing vessel partially sank in Barangay 10, Balayan, Batangas, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://twitter.com/ABSCBNNews/status/1694966097219625358

25 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Tug vs Passenger Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ Fuao Port, Lienchiang County, Taiwan/ DB280823

On 25 Aug, five were rescued after a tug collided with a passenger vessel in Fuao Port, Lienchiang County, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2023/42805/ferry-sunk-assisting-tug-taiwan-video/

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23 Aug - Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Bulk Carrier/ Indian Ocean/ DB280823

On 23 Aug, a bulk carrier went adrift in the Indian Ocean.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Sea-Qingdao-9575450.html https://starboard.nz/

23 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Fire-Explosion/ Small Boat/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Margosatubig Port, Philippines/ DB280823

On 23 Aug, eight were rescued after a small boat sank off Margosatubig Port, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/CGSZamboangadelsur/posts/pfbid0DxMbNzTRQNSb5f3L9FTKfbEsGy4pHuRkM8vdNoBCwdvWRRiSZgMnrG54tNeF6ACXl



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

#### Incidents:

26 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas and Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Billean Island, Beluran, Sulu Sea/ DB310823

On 26 Aug, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested six local fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas and fishing with illegal gear in Billean Island, Beluran, Sulu Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2023/08/27/enam-lelaki-tangkap-ikan-guna-panah-ditahan

29 Aug - Local/Illegal Fishing/ 2 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 49 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Leman Island, Karimata District, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 29 Aug, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested 49 local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear in Leman Island, Karimata District, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://voi.id/en/news/305765

27 Aug - Poaching/Illegal Fishing/1 Foreign Fishing Vessel Detained/3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel & Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Sebatik, Nunukan, Indonesia/DB300823

On 27 Aug, local authorities detained one foreign fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel and fishing with illegal gear in Sebatik, Nunukan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://voi.id/en/news/305054

Out of Reporting Period:

24 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Polillo, Quezon, Philippines/ DB310823

On 24 Aug, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested two local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear in Polillo, Quezon, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://newsinfo.inguirer.net/1821139/2-fishers-hurt-in-dynamite-blast-in-guezon

30 Jul - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-Permitted Species/ Wellamankaraya Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka/ DB300823

On 30 Jul, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested six local fishermen for fishing non-permitted species in Wellamankaraya Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://coastguard.gov.lk/news/2023/08/03/202308031436/

16 Jul - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-Permitted Species/ Dikovita Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka/ DB300823

On 16 Jul, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested six local fishermen for fishing non-permitted species in Dikovita Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://coastguard.gov.lk/news/2023/07/25/202307251622/

06 Jun - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 7 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-Permitted Species/ Galle Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka/ DB300823

On 6 Jun, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested seven local fishermen for fishing non-permitted species in Galle Fishery Harbour, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://coastguard.gov.lk/news/2023/06/07/202306071916/#prettyPhoto

23 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 7 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Limay, Bataan, Philippines/ DB290823

On 25 Aug, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested seven local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear in Limay, Bataan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.manilatimes.net/2023/08/26/regions/police-arrest-seven-persons-for-illegal-fishing-in-bataan/1907014/amp

22 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Cuyo, Palawan, Philippines/ DB290823

On 22 Aug, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear in Cuyo, Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://palawan-news.com/four-arrested-for-illegal-fishing-with-prohibited-compressor-in-cuyo-waters/

25 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 5 Local Small Boats Detained/ 15 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Lankapatuna, Trincomalee, Kuchchaveli and Jaffna, Sri Lanka/ DB280823

On 25 Aug, local authorities detained five local small boats and arrested 15 local fishermen in Lankapatuna, Trincomalee, Kuchchaveli and Jaffna, Sri Lanka for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/08/27/202308272130/

25 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ Fishing with Illegal Gear and License of Fishing Vessel/ Cai Chien Commune, Hai Ha District, Viet Nam/ DB280823

On 25 Aug, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels in Cai Chien Commune, Hai Ha District, Viet Nam for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://vietnam.postsen.com/local/457133/Quang-Ninh-opens-peak-handling-of-IUU-violations.html

25 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Vietnamese Trawler Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Songkla Province, Thailand/ DB280823

On 25 Aug, local authorities detained one vietnamese trawler and arrested five foreign fishermen off Songkla Province, Thailand for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: Thai-MECC

24 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Indonesian Fishing Vessels Detained/ 29 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Phuket, Thailand/ DB280823

On 24 Aug, local authorities detained two Indonesian fishing vessels and arrested 29 foreign fishermen off Phuket, Thailand for illegal fishing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Thai-MECC

#### **SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)**

#### Incidents:

30 Aug - Fuel/ Petrol (1,600 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ From Malaysia/ Off Kudat, Sabah, South China Sea/ DB310823

On 30 Aug, local authorities seized 1,600 litres of petrol onboard a fishing vessel off Kudat, Sabah, South China Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02eVhBV28n8UGxpdCNNWpYb5zj5ocBHxrKQxwTVCD39tXt2X91uhH6GE569VP7RiSkl

29 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (44kg)/ Adrift/ From South Asia/ Shrivardhan, Maharashtra, India/ DB310823

On 29 Aug, local authorities seized 44kg of cannabis in Shrivardhan Beach, Maharashtra, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.theweek.in/wire-updates/national/2023/08/29/bom24-mh-charas-packets-sea.html

#### IFC Comments:

IFC has apportioned the weight of contraband discovered correctly across several interrelated CS incidents reported week commencing 28 Aug. Therefore, the weight of contraband reported here differs from the open news source.

29 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (52kg)/ Adrift/ From South Asia/ Dighi Sagari, Maharashtra, India/ DB310823

On 29 Aug, local authorities seized 52kg of cannabis in Dighi Sagari, Maharashtra, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.theweek.in/wire-updates/national/2023/08/29/bom24-mh-charas-packets-sea.html

#### IFC Comments:

IFC has apportioned the weight of contraband discovered correctly across several interrelated CS incidents reported week commencing 28 Aug. Therefore, the weight of contraband reported here differs from the open news source. 29 Aug - Tobacco/ Kendu Leaves (440kg)/ Small Boat/ To Sri Lanka/ Pitipana Lagoon, Negombo, Sri Lanka/ DB310823

On 29 Aug, local authorities seized 440kg of kendu leaves onboard a small boat in Pitipana Lagoon, Negombo, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/08/30/202308301030

28 Aug - Wildlife/ Cendet Birds (96) and Kepodang Birds (24)/ Passenger Ferry/ Domestic Smuggling/ Poto Tano Ferry Port, Sumbawa, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 28 Aug, local authorities seized 96 Cendet birds and 24 Kepodang birds onboard a passenger ferry in Poto Tano Ferry Port, Sumbawa, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://regional.kompas.com/read/2023/08/29/104217278/karantina-sumbawa-gagalkan-penyelundupan-96-burung-bersuara-merdu

27 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (10kg)/ Adrift/ From South Asia/ Shrivardhan Beach, Maharashtra, India/ DB300823

On 27 Aug, local authorities seized 10kg of cannabis in Shrivardhan Beach, Maharashtra, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://theprint.in/india/maharashtra-police-seize-10-3-kg-of-charas-washed-up-on-beach-in-raigad-district/1735416/

28 Aug - Drugs/Cannabis (77kg)/Ashore/Point Calimere, Tamil Nadu, India/DB290823

On 28 Aug, local authorities seized 77kg of cannabis in Point Calimere, Tamil Nadu, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://twitter.com/commrprevcustry/status/1696065937315914183

28 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (240kg)/ Container Ship/ From Mexico Through Hong Kong to Australia/ Kwai Chung Customhouse, Hong Kong/ DB290823

On 28 Aug, local authorities seized 240kg of meth onboard a container ship in Kwai Chung Customhouse, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.thestar.com.my/aseanplus/aseanplus-news/2023/08/28/crystal-meth-worth-hk170-million-hidden-in-leather-rolls-seized-in-hong-kong-as-part-of-international-anti-drug-trafficking-op

26 Aug - Tobacco/ Kendu Leaves (792kg)/ Adrift/ To Sri Lanka/ Thillayadi, Sri Lanka/ DB280823

On 26 Aug, local authorities seized 792kg of kendu leaves in Thillayadi, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/08/26/202308261230/

Out of Reporting Period:

24 Aug - Domestic Products/ Used Clothing (375kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/Bambangan, Sebatik, Nunukan, Indonesia/DB310823

On 24 Aug, local authorities seized 375kg of used clothing onboard a small boat in Bambangan, Sebatik, Nunukan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/62340/SATGASMAR-PAM-AMBALAT-XXIX-GAGALKAN-PENYELUNDUPAN-BARANG-ILEGAL-DI-PERBATASAN-SEBATIK/

19 Aug - Domestic Products/ Used Clothing (277 Bags) and Cosmetics (9 Cartons)/ Cargo Vessel/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Dumai, Riau, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 19 Aug, local authorities seized 277 bags of used clothing and nine cartons of cosmetics onboard a cargo vessel in Dumai, Riau, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.tvonenews.com/daerah/sumatera/147077-bea-cukai-dumai-tangkap-277-ball-kain-bekas-asal-malaysia

08 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (15kg) and Ecstasy (10,000 Pills)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Tanjung Balai, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 8 Aug, local authorities seized 15kg of meth and 10,000 pills of ecstasy onboard a small boat in Tanjung Balai, North Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/August2023/yl88QYKv7IKpzEP3hFhA.pdf

03 Aug - Wildlife/ Blackhead Parrot (1)/ Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ West Papua, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 3 Aug, local authorities seized one blackhead parrot onboard a passenger vessel in West Papua, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-reports/August2023/yl88QYKv7IKpzEP3hFhA.pdf

02 Aug - Domestic Products/ Cosmetics (50 Cartons)/ Passenger Vessel/ From Philippines to Indonesia/ Munte, North Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB300823

On 2 Aug, local authorities seized 50 cartons of cosmetics onboard a passenger vessel in Munte, North Sulawesi, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://imic.bakamla.go.id/storage/publication-activity-

reports/August2023/yl88QYKv7IKpzEP3hFhA.pdf

https://tni.mil.id/view-229197-kosmetik-ilegal-berhasil-digagalkan-tni-al-masuk-ke-sulawesi-utara-diduga-melibatkan-oknum-aparat.html

22 Jun - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (48 Bottles)/ Container Vessel/ To Singapore/ Tuas Port, Singapore/ DB300823

On 22 Jun, local authorities seized 48 bottles of alcohol onboard a container vessel in Tuas Port, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/Immigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid0kNRrS6XaPwmDXCn7A4wn6CJ15dJM4o4zUtZ87VwCrVca1ADKJotN8TVCs3oq42AFl

20 Jun - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (144 Bottles)/ Container Vessel/ To Singapore/ Tuas Port, Singapore/ DB300823

On 20 Jun, local authorities seized 144 bottles of alcohol onboard a container vessel in Tuas Port, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/Immigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid0kNRrS6XaPwmDXCn7A4wn6CJ15dJM4o4zUtZ87VwCrVca1ADKJotN8TVCs3og42AFl

06 Jun - Domestic Products/ Cosmetics (516 Bottles)/ Container Vessel/ To Singapore/ Tuas Port, Singapore/ DB300823

On 6 Jun, local authorities seized 516 bottles of cosmetics onboard a container vessel in Tuas Port, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/Immigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid0kNRrS6XaPwmDXCn7A4wn6CJ15dJM4o4zUtZ87VwCrVca1ADKJotN8TVCs3og42AFl

05 Jun - Domestic Products/ Sex Toys (3 Pallets) and Car Coolants (960 Bottles)/ Container Vessel/ To Singapore/ Tuas Port, Singapore/ DB300823

On 5 Jun, local authorities seized three pallets of sex toys and 960 car coolants onboard a container vessel in Tuas Port, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/Immigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid0kNRrS6XaPwmDXCn7A4wn6CJ15dJM4o4zUtZ87VwCrVca1ADKJotN8TVCs3og42AFl

23 Aug - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (2,798 Master Cases)/ Cargo Vessel/ From Indonesia to Philippines/ Baturapac Island, Tandubas, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB290823

On 23 Aug, local authorities seized 2,798 master cases of cigarettes onboard a cargo vessel in Baturapac Island, Tandubas, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1971027/zamboanga/local-news/navy-seizes-p106-m-smuggled-cigarettes-in-tawi-tawi

21 Aug - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (384,000 Sticks)/ Speed Boat/ To Sabah/ Cowie Bay, Sabah, Celebes Sea/ DB290823

On 21 Aug, local authorities seized 384,000 sticks of cigarettes onboard a speed boat in Cowie Bay, Sabah, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.thesundaily.my/local/sabah-customs-foil-attempt-to-smuggle-in-cigarettes-worth-over-rm63m-EF11411511

16 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (150kg)/ Small Boat/ To Malaysia/ Kampung Bahagia Fishing Jetty, Perlis, Malaysia/ DB290823

On 16 Aug, local authorities seized 150kg of cannabis onboard a small boat in Kampung Bahagia Fishing Jetty, Perlis, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.thesundaily.my/local/perlis-customs-thwart-attempt-to-smuggle-in-150-kg-ganja-by-sea-BG11421101

05 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (11kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Nongsa, Batam City, Indonesia/ DB290823

On 5 Aug, local authorities seized 11kg of meth onboard a small boat in Nongsa, Batam City, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source: https://voi.id/en/news/302289 03 Jul - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (360 Bottles)/ Container Vessel/ To Singapore/ Tuas Port, Singapore/ DB290823

On 3 Jul, local authorities seized 360 bottles of alcohol onboard a container vessel in Tuas Port, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/lmmigration.Checkpoints.Authority/posts/pfbid02yJGHs9zuJz1 Y8bTeakrnyGrpCZ7BYSr15VYV3FUXFbSdtBasfYQmEqoXJmpHEQgjl

24 Aug - Domestic Products/ Frozen Products(40 Tons)/ Cargo Ship and Small Boat/Domestic Smuggling/Off Matsu, China/ DB280823

On 24 Aug, local authorities seized 40 tons of frozen products onboard a cargo ship and a small boat off Matsu, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.sohu.com/a/714477600\_123753#google\_vignette

23 Aug - Drugs/Heroin (1kg)/Adrift/Off Siyari Creek, India/DB280823

On 23 Aug, local authorities seized 1kg of heroin off Siyari Creek, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/1-kg-heroin-packet-recovered-from-jakhau-coast/articleshow/103001607.cms?from=mdr

16 Aug - Fuel/ Diesel (80,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ To Viet Nam/ Hanh Cape, Phu Quoc City, Viet Nam/ DB280823

On 24 Aug, local authorities seized 80,000kg of diesel onboard a fishing vessel in Hanh Cape, Phu Quoc City, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://vietnam.postsen.com/local/amp/446941

15 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (8kg)/ Small Boat/ From India to Sri Lanka/ Serakkuliyamunei Lagoon, Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB280823

On 25 Aug, local authorities seized 8kg of cannabis onboard a small boat in Serakkuliyamunei lagoon, Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2023/08/16/202308161000/

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14 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (250kg)/ Adrift/ From Pakistan/ Ratnagiri District, India/ DB280823

On 14 Aug, local authorities seized 250kg of cannabis in Ratnagiri district, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.deccanherald.com/india/maharashtra/customs-dept-seizes-over-250-kg-of-hashish-washed-up-on-maharashtras-ratnagiri-beaches-in-6-days-2654809

#### SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

#### Incidents:

26 Aug - Irregular Human Migration/ Passenger Vessel/ 7 Filipinos Migrants/ From Philippines to Sabah/ Kampong Bakau, Sandakan, Sabah/ DB280823

On 26 Aug, local authorities detained seven filipino migrants in Kampong Bakau, Sandakan, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.nst.com.my/news/crime-courts/2023/08/947605/7-undocumented-filipinos-arrested-sandakan

Out of Reporting Period:

01 Aug - Irregular Human Migration/Fishing Vessel/ 3 Sri Lankan Migrants/From Sri Lanka to India/ Tamil Nadu, India/ DB290823

On 26 Aug, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested three Sri Lankan migrants for irregular human migration in Tamil Nadu, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

http://www.colombopage.com/archive\_23B/Aug26\_1693029218CH.php

24 Aug - Human Exploitation/Bulk Carrier/ 9 Crew/From Japan to Australia/Port of Hay Point, Queensland, Australia/DB280823

On 24 Aug, nine crew members were being exploited in the Port of Hay Point, Queensland, Australia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://safety4sea.com/amsa-bans-vessel-due-to-seafarer-mistreatment/

## 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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