

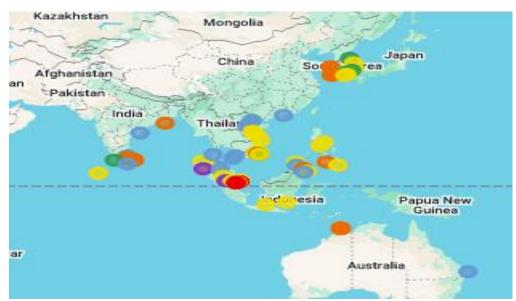
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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (A0I)



For the period of 29 Nov – 06 Dec 24, 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
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	14	4-8
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	13	9-13
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	14	14-17
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	2	18
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	2	19
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	1	20
Others	0	0	21

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

Information Update:

Incident:

1. Theft, Robbery, and Piracy at Sea

07 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Liberia-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB091224

POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving a Liberia-flagged bulk carrier as the vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°03'39.6"N 103°39'51.0"E) on 7 Dec 2024, at 2350H (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted eight perpetrators (reportedly unarmed) in the steering room.

Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and some engine spares were stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

Maritime Port Authority (MPA) - Port Operations Control Centre (POCC)

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

07 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Marshall Islands-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB091224

POCC reported an unauthorised boarding on a Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier as the vessel was transiting in Phillip Channel (1° 04.08N 103° 40.40E) on 7 Dec 24 at 0346 (UTC + 8). Crew reportedly sighted 6 perpetrators with knives in the steering gear room, alarm was raised and ship search was conducted with no perpetrators found.

Ship master reported all crew are safe and accounted for, and no items were stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Maritime Port Authority (MPA) - Port Operations Control Centre (POCC)

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

11 Dec- Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Tanker, Singapore-Flagged/ Minor injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait

POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving a Singapore-flagged tanker as the vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°04'43.5"N 103°41'43.9"E) on 11 Dec 2024, at 0210H (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted two armed perpetrators with knives at stern poop deck and escaped when the alarm was raised.

Ship master reported that one crew was injured, and nothing was reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, Singapore.

CSO updated that the injured crew has been conveyed to a hospital in Singapore, and his condition is assessed to be stable.

11 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Tug & Barge, Singapore-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ South China Sea/ DB131224

POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Singapore-flagged tug & barge, as vessel transited along the South China Sea (1°25'43.8"N 104°32'43.2"E) on 11 Dec 2024, at 1007H (UTC +8). Ship master reported unknown number of perpetrators boarded the barge.

Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and some scrap metal was stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: Maritime Port Authority (MPA) - Port Operations Control Centre (POCC)

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

07 Dec - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Container Vessel/ Off Tanjung Karang, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB091224

On 7 Dec, a container vessel was detained due to unauthorised operation off Tanjung Karang, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02Wfy8tfPfA6dYPc8QfVQwFbxrNTvnnq4zFEh3xMHDPVPjSBRW99VRfssFkKvRDgs3l

09 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Fishing Vessel vs Cargo Ship/ 2 Missing, 6 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Gampo Port, Gyeongju, ROK/ DB101224

On 9 Dec, a fishing vessel capsized as it collided with a cargo ship off Gampo Port, Gyeongju, ROK. SAR was conducted and there are two missing and six rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=129047

09 Dec - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Con Co Island, Vietnam/ DB101224

On 9 Dec, a fishing vessel went adrift as it experienced equipment failure off Con Co Island, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/kip-thoi-ho-tro-tau-ca-hong-may-tren-bien-dua-8-thuyen-vien-vao-bo-an-toan-post484380.html

08 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Off Binh Thuan, Vietnam/ DB101224

On 8 Dec, a fishing vessel sank as it experienced water ingress off Binh Thuan, Vietnam. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://baobinhthuan.com.vn/lien-tiep-2-vu-chim-tau-tren-vung-bien-binh-thuan-126377.html

07 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Passenger Vessel/ 4 Rescued, 2 Dead/ SAR/ Off Quang Ninh, Vietnam/ DB101224

On 7 Dec, a passenger vessel sank due to bad weather off Quang Ninh, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued and two dead.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://vietnamnet.vn/tim-thay-thi-the-cuoi-cung-trong-vu-dam-tau-khach-tren-vinh-bai-tu-long-2350294.html

09 Dec - Missing/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing/ SAR/ Off Davao Oriental, Philippines/ DB111224

On 9 Dec, a small boat went missing due to an unknown cause off Davao Oriental, Philippines. SAR is still ongoing and there is one missing.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/18aAZ37PYP/

08 Dec - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Quang Tri, Vietnam/ DB111224

On 8 Dec, a fishing vessel went adrift due to bad weather off Quang Tri, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/cuu-ho-cuu-nan/12527/82

08 Dec - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Romblon, Philippines/ DB111224

On 8 Dec, a small boat went adrift due to equipment failure off Romblon, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1BV4yYKx1u/

11 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Human Error/ Fishing Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Daegyeongdo, ROK/ DB121224

On 11 Dec, a fishing vessel collided with another fishing vessel due to human error off Daegyeongdo, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.segye.com/newsView/20241211507584?OutUrl=naver

12 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Quang Binh, Vietnam/ DB131224

On 12 Dec, a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather off Quang Binh, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there was 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/quang-binh-cuu-nan-kip-thoi-14-ngu-dan-bi-chim-tau-tren-bien-post484526.html

12 Dec - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Dan Nang, Vietnam/ DB131224

On 12 Dec, a fishing vessel was adrift due to equipment failure Dan Nang, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there was two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/cuu-ho-thanh-cong-tau-ca-cung-2-ngu-dan-gap-nan-tren-bien-post484529.html

10 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Cargo Ship/ 21 Rescued/ SAR/ Java Sea, Indonesia/ DB131224

On 10 Dec, a cargo ship sunk due to bad weather in Java Sea, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was 21 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://hubla.dephub.go.id/Indonesianmaritimesafetyinformation/page/news/read/24366/km-bahtera-mega-tenggelam-di-perairan-masalembu-seluruh-kru-selamat-km-bahtera-mega-sinks-in-masalembu-waters-all-crew-members-safe

09 Dec - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ Java Sea, Indonesia/ DB131224

On 9 Dec, a cargo vessel caught fire due to unknown causes in Java Sea, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://hubla.dephub.go.id/Indonesianmaritimesafetyinformation/page/news/read/24365/km-damai-sejahtera-88-alami-kebakaran-kondisi-kru-dan-kapal-aman-mv-damai-sejahtera-88-catches-fire-crew-and-vessel-safe

Out of Reporting Period:

05 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 13 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Phu Quy Island, Vietnam/ DB101224

On 5 Dec, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress off Phu Quy Island, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were 13 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://baobinhthuan.com.vn/lien-tiep-2-vu-chim-tau-tren-vung-bien-binh-thuan-126377.html

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

Incidents:

08 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Fisherman Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Zamboanga Del Sur, Philippines/ DB091224

On 8 Dec, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested one fisherman for invalid license of fishermen off Zamboanga Del Sur, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15Zg9VKxJu/

09 Dec - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Not Reporting Catches/ Off Hongdo, ROK/ DB101224

On 9 Dec, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for not reporting catches off Hongdo, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.newscj.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=3209231

08 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Indian Trawlers Detained/ 8 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Delft Island, Sri Lanka/ DB101224

On 8 Dec, local authorities detained two Indian trawlers and arrested eight foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel off Delft Island, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/12/08/202412081645/

11 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Chinese Fishing Vessels Detained/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Eocheong Island, ROK/ DB121224

On 11 Dec, local authorities detained two Chinese fishing vessels for invalid license of fishing vessel off Eocheong Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20241211132700055?input=1195m

09 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Ilangathurei, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka/ DB121224

On 9 Dec, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Ilangathurei, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/12/10/202412101500/

07 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-permitted Species/ Off Ilangathurei, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka/ DB121224

On 7 Dec, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen for fishing non-permitted species off Ilangathurei, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/12/10/202412101500/

09 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Unknown Fishing Vessel Destroyed/ 7 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB131224

On 9 Dec, local authorities destroyed an unknown fishing vessel and arrested seven foreign fishermen for license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited area off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

09 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Bangladeshi Trawlers Detained/ 78 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Area/ Off West Bengal, India/ DB131224

On 9 Dec, local authorities detained two Bangladeshi trawlers and arrested 78 foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited area off West Bengal, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/kolkata/two-bangladeshi-fishing-trawlers-with-78-onboard-seized-for-illegal-fishing-by-indian-coast-

guard/article68973555.ece?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR1QRZ_rkleqMS3nQ0uYb1ZSxH8VY0GYV8Al91cjvRt0RrNlY0RV6-wzTzU_aem_CEDB5h-tDDfj4P9AVlU_zA

Out of Reporting Period:

06 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Chinese Fishing Vessels Released/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Gageodo, ROK/ DB101224

On 6 Dec, local authorities released two Chinese fishing vessels for invalid license of fishing vessel off Gageodo, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20241206_0002986614

04 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Chagwido, Jeju, ROK/ DB101224

On 4 Dec, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for fishing with illegal gear off Chagwido, Jeju, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.jemin.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=782225

05 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Unknown Fishing Vessel Released/ 8 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB131224

On 5 Dec, local authorities released an unknown fishing vessel and released eight foreign fishermen for license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited area off Northwest Australia. Australia.

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

03 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Unknown Fishing Vessel Released/ 7 Foreign Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB131224

On 3 Dec, local authorities released an unknown fishing vessel and released seven foreign fishermen for license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited area off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

03 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Unknown Fishing Vessel Destroyed/ 9 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Area/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB131224

On 3 Dec, local authorities destroyed an unknown fishing vessel and arrested nine foreign fishermen for license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited area off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

07 Dec - Drugs/Kerala Cannabis (126.3kg)/ Adrift/Off Delft Island, Sri Lanka/DB101224

On 7 Dec, local authorities seized 126.3kg of kerala cannabis off Delft Island, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/12/07/202412071700/

09 Dec - Fuel/Fuel Oil (15,000kg)/Oil Tanker/Off Hai Phong, Vietnam/DB111224

On 9 Dec, local authorities seized 15,000kg of fuel oil onboard an oil tanker off Hai Phong, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12531/81

10 Dec - Natural Resources/ Sand (4,700m³)/ 5 Cargo Ships/ Off Hai Phong, Vietnam/ DB131224

On 10 Dec, local authorities seized 4,700m³ of sand onboard five cargo ships off Hai Phong, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12541/81

Out of Reporting Period:

05 Dec - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (15,000 Litres)/ Tanker/ Off Thanh Hoa, Vietnam/ DB091224

On 5 Dec, local authorities seized 15,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a tanker off Thanh Hoa, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12523/81

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05 Dec - Fuel/ Petrol (5,000 Litres)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Philippines/ Off Telukan Paitan, Pitas, Sabah/ DB091224

On 5 Dec, local authorities seized 5,000 litres of petrol onboard a small boat off Telukan Paitan, Pitas, Sabah.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/cubaan-seludup-25-tong-dram-berisi-petrol-ke-filipina-gagal/?fbclid=lwY2xjawHCkudleHRuA2FlbQlxMAABHbWwGtDMcYqEbcXuuY3M4n0L4Sw8YKsaBoWPS2Z0KiTM8y1WPa8wB30Tbg_aem_ZCT02mDAwH6sFM6TrfqazQ

05 Dec - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (70,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Kien Giang, Vietnam/ DB091224

On 5 Dec, local authorities seized 70,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a fishing vessel off Kien Giang, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/bat-tau-cho-khoang-70000-lit-dau-do-khong-co-giay-to-hop-phap-post484287.html

04 Dec - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (16,000 Litres)/ Oil Tanker/ Off Hai Phong, Vietnam/ DB091224

On 4 Dec, local authorities seized 16,000 litres of diesel oil onboard an oil tanker off Hai Phong, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12523/81

02 Dec - Drugs/ Meth (107.561kg)/ Small Boat/ From Pulau Pinang to Langkawi/ Off Langkawi Island, Kedah, Malaysia/ DB091224

On 2 Dec, local authorities seized 107.561kg of meth onboard a small boat off Langkawi Island, Kedah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/PpmWilayah1/posts/pfbid02KuHcgdwtiyzx6uBH5DQLD7nhdvygpnXj26hzwaK1Yy4HKCqGZPKfkT7Qcc4kwepFl

27 Nov - Drugs/ Nitrous Oxide (6,720kg)/ 2 Small Boats/ From China to Vietnam/ Off Mong Cai, Quang Ninh, Vietnam/ DB091224

On 27 Nov, local authorities seized 6,720kg of nitrous oxide onboard two small boats off Mong Cai, Quang Ninh, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/lien-tiep-bat-giu-cac-vu-van-chuyen-khi-cuoi-trai-phep-post484294.html

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06 Dec - Natural Resources/ Tendu Leaves (555kg)/ Small Boat/ To Sri Lanka/ Negombo Lagoon, Sri Lanka/ DB101224

On 6 Dec, local authorities seized 555kg of tendu leaves onboard a small boat in Negombo Lagoon, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/12/07/202412071530/

06 Dec - Domestic Products/ Meat (414kg)/ Small Boat/ To Malaysia/ Semporna, Celebes Sea/ DB121224

On 6 Dec, local authorities seized 414kg of meat onboard a small boat in Semporna, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.dailyexpress.com.my/news/247797/414kg-meat-smuggling-bid-foiled/

03 Dec - Drugs/ Cough Syrup/ Fishing Vessel/ From Malaysia to Singapore/ Masai, Malaysia/ DB121224

On 3 Dec, local authorities seized cough syrup onboard a fishing vessel in Masai, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.nst.com.my/news/crime-courts/2024/12/1144208/singaporeans-arrested-smuggling-cough-syrup-fishing-boat

01 Dec - Domestic Products/ Cosmetics and Electronics/ Container Vessel/ From Pakistan to China/ Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong/ DB121224

On 1 Dec, local authorities seized cosmetics and electronics onboard a container vessel at Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_4415.html?p=1&y=&m=

19 Nov - Fuel/Petrol (111,391 Litres)/ Cargo Ship/From Malaysia to Unknown/ Off Sandakan/DB131224

On 19 Nov, local authorities seized 111,391 litres of petrol off Sandakan.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.sabahgazette.com/kastam-sabah-gagalkan-cubaan-seludup-keluar-111391-liter-petrol-ke-negara-jiran/

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Out of Reporting Period:

26 Nov - Illegal Documentation/ Dredger/ 13 Chinese Migrants/ From China to Philippines/ Off Bataan, Philippines/ DB091224

On 26 Nov, local authorities detained a dredger and arrested 13 Chinese migrants off Bataan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1P7WyyDM6i/

11 Oct - Human Trafficking/ General Cargo Ship (with Ro-Ro)/ 19 Filipino Migrants/ From Philippines to Malaysia/ Bongao Port, Tawi Tawi, Philippines/ DB091224

On 11 Oct, local authorities detained a general cargo ship and rescued 19 Filipino migrants at Bongao Port, Tawi Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1994462/nineteen-alleged-victims-of-human-trafficking-rescued-in-tawi-tawi

SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incidents:

08 Dec - MARPOL/ Solid (Fisheries Waste)/ Contamination of Seabed Corals/ Off Kovalam, India/ DB131224

On 8 Dec, there was an contamination of seabed off Kovalam, India.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/kerala/ghost-fishing-nets-pose-threat-to-marine-life-off-kovalam-shows-survey/article68961619.ece

Out of Reporting Period:

05 Dec - MARPOL/Liquid (Oil Spill)/Fishing Vessel/Off Phu Quy Island, Vietnam/DB101224

On 5 Dec, there was an oil spill due to a fishing vessel off Phu Quy Island, Vietnam

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://baobinhthuan.com.vn/lien-tiep-2-vu-chim-tau-tren-vung-bien-binh-thuan-126377.html

SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Incidents:

29 Nov - Others/ Submarine Cable Breakage/ Asia Pacific Gateway Cable/ South China Sea/ DB111224

On 29 Nov, the Asia Pacific Gateway Cable suffered a submarine cable breakage in the South China Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://subtelforum.com/aae-1-and-apg-cable-disruptions-impact-vietnams-internet/

IFC Comments:

Location shown is the landing point of the cable, not the location of the breakage.

SECTION I: OTHERS

NSTR

IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

The IFC advises:

- 1. All mariners 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 of 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 during your normal business. The IFC would like to remind mariners to be mindful of national and international laws, company and other policy requirements and 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

2024

IFC Spot Commentary 03/24 - Phillip Channel - 3 TRAPS Incidents in One Night IFC Spot Commentary 02/24 - Observations of TRAPS Incidents in the Phillip Channel in 2024 IFC Spot Commentary 01/24 - Singapore Strait - 3 TRAPS Incidents in One Night

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

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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 Tugboat "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.

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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.

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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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