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



For the period of 09 - 16 Feb 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	1	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	12	4-6
Illegal, Unregulated, and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	5	7-8
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	1	10	9-11
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	3	12
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	0	13
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	14
Others	0	0	15

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

Out of Reporting Period:

05 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Fishing Vessel and Speed Boat/ No Injury/ Underway/ Off Maguindanao Del Norte, Philippines/ DB140224

Seven of 11 seafarers who were supposed to deliver smuggled cigarettes are missing since 5 Feb after pirates divested them of their merchandise and forced them to jump out of their watercraft in an attack in the western seas of Maguindanao del Norte province.

Four companions of the seven missing men, Rasiden Asdali, Tawasil Jumadil, Yahya Hadjulani and Gadjer Sampang, were rescued by fishermen while swimming toward a barangay in the seaside Datu Blah Sinsuat town in Maguindanao del Norte. They are now under the custody of the local police.

The four Tausug boatmen had readily confessed to investigators in the Datu Blah Sinsuat Municipal Police Station that they were supposed to deliver 100 large boxes of cigarettes with Indonesian brands from Zamboanga Sibugay province when men on smaller motorized boats came close, ordered them to jump overboard and towed their boat towards the nearby Bongo Island in the territory of Parang town in Maguindanao del Norte.

They confirmed to police investigators that seven of their companions who jumped ahead of them into the sea are missing.

"We have reported to the Police Regional Office-Bangsamoro Autonomous Region and to the Maritime police unit in Cotabato City that seven companions of these four men now in our custody are missing," Capt. Captain Abdulbasit Kulod, chief of the Datu Blah Sinsuat MPS, told reporters on Tuesday morning. Kulod said local officials in Datu Blah Sinsuat have promised to help facilitate the return of Asdali, Jumadil, Hadjulani and Sampang to their families in Zamboanga City.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.philstar.com/nation/2024/02/06/2331417/7-missing-pirates-take-over-boat-carrying-smuggled-cigarettes>

SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

NSTR



SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

15 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Offshore Supply Ship/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kuala Kemena, Bintulu, Malaysia, Malaysia/ DB160224

On 15 Feb, an offshore supply ship sank due to an unknown cause off Kuala Kemena, Bintulu, Malaysia, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0ihDdpXChV3cqfCcJ2SC2eqWf8cw2wyVQqijbAUCPcGRWyV5SLzqXspMxVUFkRfkXI>

13 Feb - Equipment Failure/ Cause Unknown/ Passenger Ferry/ 85 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB160224

On 13 Feb, a passenger ferry experienced equipment failure due to an unknown cause off Tawi-Tawi, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 85 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1904734/fwd-85-people-rescued-after-passenger-boat-engine-failure-off-tawi-tawi>

<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/topstories/regions/897532/navy-rescues-78-passengers-7-crew-of-distressed-vessel-near-tawi-tawi/story/>

<https://www.facebook.com/PhilippineNavy/posts/pfbid0XYuvP8gTPmbfk47XbQ8qBNNwuKPZ1faV51wSDvajGsDeQn4RVchPRDmkNEQrkgavl>

12 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Makawayan, Tingloy, Batangas, Philippines/ DB150224

On 12 Feb, a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather off Makawayan, Tingloy, Batangas, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HCGDSTL/posts/pfbid02pyDLw5v4nmZxNpvKXertMp9Q2Pfz8E EY7AEEa5Uizakdau8r7cejVszMXTr2521ol>

12 Feb - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kothapalli Mandal, Andhra Pradesh, India/ DB150224

On 12 Feb, a fishing vessel caught fire due to equipment failure off Kothapalli Mandal, Andhra Pradesh, India. SAR was conducted and there were 11 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/andhra-pradesh/11-fishermen-rescued-after-their-boat-catches-fire-off-uppada-coast-in-kakinada-district-of-andhra-pradesh/article67839139.ece>

12 Feb - Equipment Failure/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Missing, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Capul, Northern Samar, Philippines/ DB150224

On 12 Feb, a fishing vessel experienced equipment failure due to bad weather off Capul, Northern Samar, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one missing and two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HCGDSTL/posts/pfbid02pyDLw5v4nmZxNpvKXertMp9Q2Pfz8E EY7AEEa5Uizakdau8r7cejVszMXTr2521ol>

12 Feb - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Mui Ne, Binh Thuan Province, Viet Nam/ DB140224

On 12 Feb, a fishing vessel caught fire due to an unknown cause off Mui Ne, Binh Thuan Province, Viet Nam. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/binh-thuan-tau-ca-bi-chay-khi-dang-neo-dau-tren-vung-bien-mui-ne-post472537.html>

Out of Reporting Period:

07 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Tug/ North of Pulau Kola, Indonesia/ DB150224

On 7 Feb, a tug went adrift due to equipment failure north of Pulau Kola, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IFC Email

08 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Looc, Romblon, Philippines/ DB140224

On 8 Feb, a small boat went adrift due to equipment failure off Looc, Romblon, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 10 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fcoastguardph%2Fposts%2Fpfbid0WZ8uxofmjGd3g1GAsD7rqqUPP72JsG5RY3Jg8xnaaT4bNPoMHZUjdiHN91oz1yfxl&show_text=true&width=500

08 Feb - Adrift/ No Fuel/ Unknown Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Iron Bottom Sound, Solomon Islands/ DB140224

On 8 Feb, an unknown vessel went adrift as it ran out of fuel in Iron Bottom Sound, Solomon Islands. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sibconline.com.sb/police-rescue-eight-passengers-at-sea/>

07 Feb - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Cargo Vessel/ Off Pulau Pemanggil, Malaysia/ DB140224

On 7 Feb, a cargo vessel was detained due to unauthorised operation off Pulau Pemanggil, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2024/02/10/mmea-detains-11-thai-nationals-for-engaging-in-illegal-fishing-in-perlis-waters/117399>

05 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Basilan, Philippines/ DB140224

On 5 Feb, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Basilan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/zamboanga/pcg-rescues-fisherman-off-basilan>

24 Jan - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 2 Missing, 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Manus Island, Papua New Guinea/ DB140224

On 24 Jan, a small boat capsized due to bad weather in Manus Island, Papua New Guinea. SAR was conducted and there were two missing and five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thenational.com.pg/two-rescued-others-still-missing-after-boat-incident/>

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

Incidents:

10 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 11 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Sungai Baru River Mouth, Malaysia/ DB140224

On 10 Feb, local authorities detained three fishing vessels and arrested 11 foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas off Sungai Baru River Mouth, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2024/02/10/mmea-detains-11-thai-nationals-for-engaging-in-illegal-fishing-in-perlis-waters/117399>

09 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Songkhla Province, Gulf of Thailand, Thailand/ DB140224

On 9 Feb, local authorities detained one Vietnamese fishing vessel and arrested five foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas in Songkhla Province, Gulf of Thailand, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavyFanpage/posts/pfbid0jxApfS5wxLNd3WZfrQQmFLQo9L9x7NY5n2ZFHHonAu15M1UWoYo1vrKWZQWUPi7al>

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News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavyFanpage/posts/pfbid0jxApfS5wxLNd3WZfrQQmFLQo9L9x7NY5n2ZFHHonAu15M1UWoYo1vrKWZQWUPi7al>

Out of Reporting Period:

07 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Indian Trawlers Detained/ 19 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Delft Island, Sri Lanka/ DB140224

On 7 Feb, local authorities detained two Indian trawlers and arrested 19 foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas off Delft Island, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.eastcoastdaily.in/2024/02/08/sri-lankan-navy-arrests-19-rameswaram-fishermen-for-violating-imbl.html>

04 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 17 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Carles Town, Iloilo, Philippines/ DB140224

On 4 Feb, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested 17 local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Carles Town, Iloilo, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.panaynews.net/hulbot-hulbot-boat-apprehended-for-illegal-fishing/>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Information Update:

01 Feb - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (30,864 Bottles)/ General Cargo Vessel / From Singapore to Indonesia/ Batu Ampar Port, Batam, Indonesia/ DB160224
(Information Update on DB020224)

It was updated that the alcoholic beverages were found on a general cargo vessel.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.tempo.co/read/1828631/batam-customs-thwart-smuggling-of-illegal-alcoholic-beverages-from-singapore>

Incidents:

13 Feb - Domestic Products/ Orid Seeds (12,688kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Sri Lanka/ Colombo, Sri Lanka/ DB160224

On 13 Feb, local authorities seized 12,688kg of orid seeds onboard an unknown vessel at Colombo, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.hirunews.lk/362006/>

13 Feb - Domestic Products/ Garments (44,000)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Sri Lanka/ Colombo, Sri Lanka/ DB160224

On 13 Feb, local authorities seized 44,000 garments onboard an unknown vessel at Colombo, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.hirunews.lk/362006/>

13 Feb - Tobacco and Domestic Products/ Kendu Leaves (1,177kg) and Insecticides (150 Bottles)/ Small Boat/ Off Sinnapaduwa, Sri Lanka/ DB150224

On 13 Feb, local authorities seized 1,177kg of Kendu leaves and 150 bottles of insecticides onboard two small boats off Sinnapaduwa, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/02/13/202402131730/>

11 Feb - Natural Resources/ Rubber Sheet (1,650kg)/ Small Boat/ From Myanmar to Thailand/ Kraburi River, Ranong Province, Thailand/ DB140224

On 11 Feb, local authorities seized 1,650kg of rubber sheets onboard a small boat in Kraburi River, Ranong Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavyFanpage/posts/pfbid034XJpMtVqC7iNzC3TSvzGbZqzq1r8cN3wCAiyz1eJnw5v9qthQLATcq89CGetzt81l>

09 Feb - Wildlife/ Shellfish Seeds (20kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ Kuala Selangor Jetty, Malaysia/ DB140224

On 9 Feb, local authorities seized 20kg of shellfish seeds onboard an unknown vessel in Kuala Selangor Jetty, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2024/02/10/mmea-recovers-20kg-of-suspected-stolen-shellfish-seeds>

Out of Reporting Period:

08 Feb - Fuel/ Fuel Oil (10,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Songkhla, Thailand/ DB140224

On 8 Feb, local authorities seized 10,000 litres of fuel oil onboard a fishing vessel off Songkhla, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://thethaiger.com/news/national/thai-navy-busts-illegal-oil-smuggling-ring-in-south-thailand>

07 Feb - Fuel/ Petrol (110 Drums)/ Small Boat/ Off Pitass, Celebes Sea/ DB140224

On 7 Feb, local authorities seized 110 drums of petrol onboard a small boat off Pitass, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2024/02/08/smugglers-ditch-110-drums-of-petrol-worth-rm40000-in-kudat-to-escape-marine-police>

05 Feb - Domestic Products/ Sugar (8 Boxes), Rice (4 Sacks), White Pepper (4 Sacks), Cashew Nuts (2 Sacks), Food Seasoning (720 Packs), Cheese (312 Packs), Glutinous Rice (12 Sacks) and Wheat Seeds (4 Sacks)/ Small Boat/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Sungai Tawau, Malaysia, Celebes Sea/ DB140224

On 5 Feb, local authorities seized eight boxes of sugar, four sacks of rice, four sacks of white pepper, two sacks of cashew nuts, 720 packs of food seasoning, 312 packs of cheese, 12 sacks of glutinous rice and four sacks of wheat seeds off Sungai Tawau, Malaysia, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/pelbagai-barangan-runcit-cuba-diseludup-masuk-dari-negara-jiran-dirampas/>

05 Feb - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (100 Boxes)/ Fishing Vessel and Speed Boat/ Off Maguindanao Del Norte, Philippines/ DB140224

On 5 Feb, local authorities seized 100 boxes of cigarettes onboard a fishing vessel and a speed boat off Maguindanao Del Norte, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

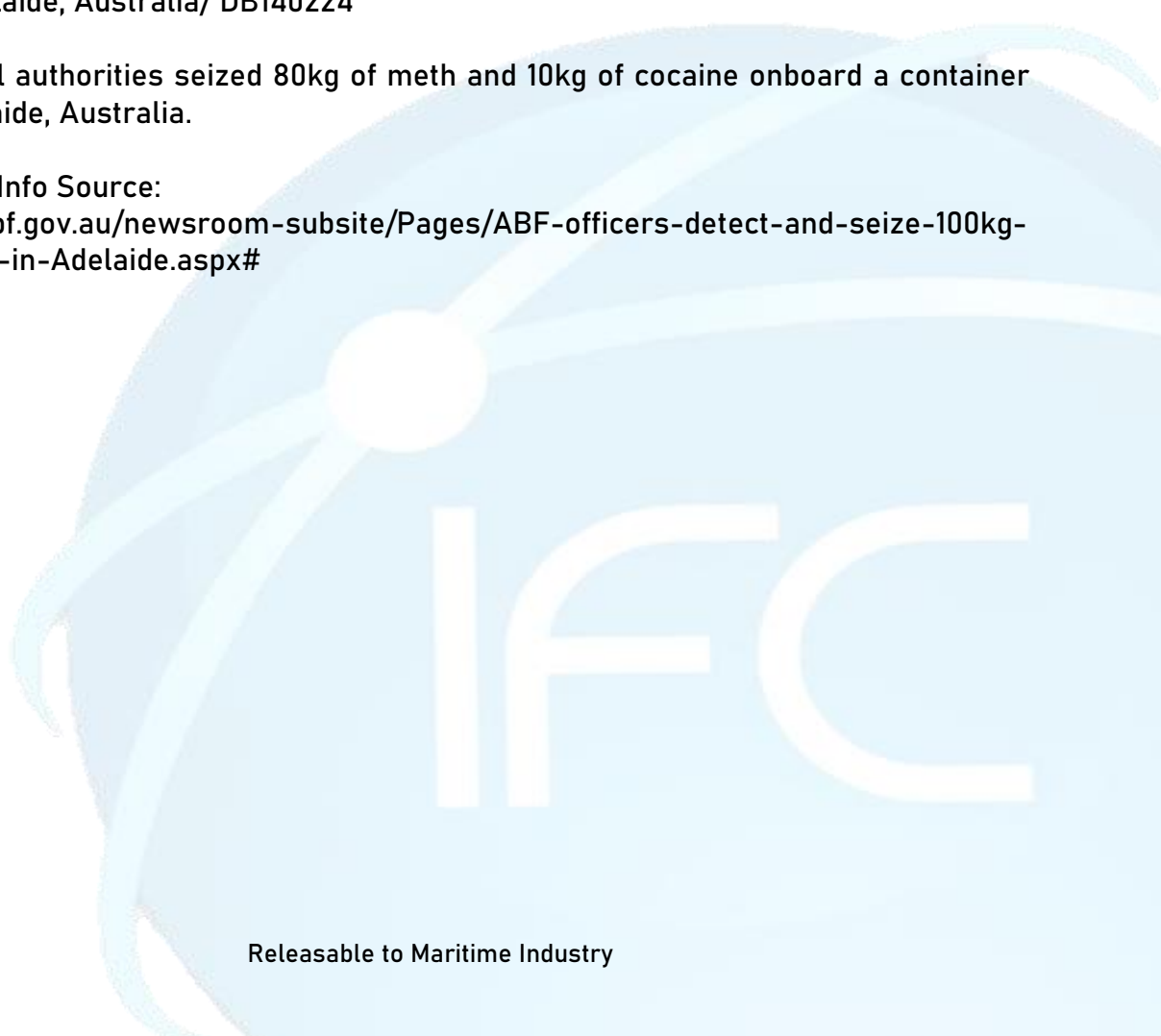
<https://www.philstar.com/nation/2024/02/06/2331417/7-missing-pirates-take-over-boat-carrying-smuggled-cigarettes>

11 Jan - Drugs/ Meth (80kg) and Cocaine (10kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Guatemala to Australia/ Adelaide, Australia/ DB140224

On 11 Jan, local authorities seized 80kg of meth and 10kg of cocaine onboard a container vessel in Adelaide, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.abf.gov.au/newsroom-subsite/Pages/ABF-officers-detect-and-seize-100kg-of-illicit-drugs-in-Adelaide.aspx#>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

14 Feb - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Myanmarese Migrants/ Off Pulau Kalumpang, Malaysia/ DB150224

On 14 Feb, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested three Myanmarese migrants off Pulau Kalumpang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fmaritimmalaysia%2Fposts%2Fpfbid0249gkuTEpV8MuKEFKXUPa2LKWkJGUZwJnEF1yGLbkv19TjSfahjKuPuksDPQSFZil&show_text=true&width=500

09 Feb - Human Trafficking/ Other Vessel/ 9 Unknown Migrants/ From Philippines to Malaysia/ Off Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB140224

On 9 Feb, local authorities detained a commercial vessel and rescued nine unknown migrants off Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1901837/9-trafficking-victims-rescued-in-tawi-tawi>

Out of Reporting Period:

26 Jan - Human Trafficking/ Passenger Ferry/ 11 Filipino Migrants/ From Philippines to Malaysia/ Off Bangao Pier, Celebes Sea/ DB150224

On 26 Jan, local authorities detained a passenger ferry and rescued 11 Filipino migrants off Bangao Pier, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2FNFWMspeaks%2Fposts%2Fpfbid026h7uh48ZnZLJtDFgoB4rErAXKgCSHZCoLhAFWtKnBUFjeT98MJjifd92u6utpeol&show_text=true&width=500

SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

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SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

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SECTION I: OTHERS

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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

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 Manila 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 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.

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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