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



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)	1	5	2-4
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	5
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	13	6-8
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	5	9-10
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	5	11-12
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	8	13-14
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	0	15
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	16
Others	0	0	17

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

Information Update:

11 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Tanker, Singapore-Flagged/ Minor injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB111224

It was updated that one of the crew sustained multiple cut wounds, but the injuries were not life-threatening, and the crew's condition remained stable.

In addition, the local authorities updated that the crew was conscious when being conveyed to the hospital for treatment.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
Company Security Officer

Incident:

14 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Panama-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB161224

POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving Panama-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°04'30.0"N 103°34'54.0"E) on 14 Dec 2024, at 00:01 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted six armed perpetrators with knives in the engine room.

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

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

14 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Marshall Islands-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Off Panjang, Indonesia/ DB171224

On 14 Dec, an incident of attempted sea robbery was reported on the Marshall Islands-flagged bulk off Panjang, Indonesia. Reportedly, four perpetrators onboard a boat, armed with knives and machetes, boarded the vessel and were sighted on the main deck railing. The crew raised an alarm, consequently, the perpetrators escaped, and no items were reported stolen. All crew members are safe.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://hubla.dephub.go.id/Indonesianmaritimesafetyinformation/page/news/read/24381/upaya-penangkalan-perompakan-kapal-ocean-pride-diserang-kelompok-tak-dikenal-di-perairan-panjang-piracy-prevention-efforts-mv-ocean>

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

17 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Hong Kong-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB181224

POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving a Hong Kong-flagged bulk carrier as the vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°04'48.6"N 103°41'54.0"E) on 17 Dec 2024, at 2250H (UTC+8).

Crew reported sighting 4-5 perpetrators in the engine room in the engine room. There were three perpetrators holding long knife and ship crew saw one perpetrator holding a gun-like object. The vessel 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

Out of Reporting Period:

03 Dec - Attempted Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Cargo Ship, Singapore-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Belawan Port, Indonesia/ DB161224

During routine rounds onboard the berthed ship, the Chief Officer observed one unauthorised person attempting to board the ship via a rope. Four additional persons were noticed in a wooden boat alongside the ship. Upon sighting the perpetrators, the Chief Officer raised the alarm resulting in the attempted boarding being aborted. Incident reported to PFSO through the local agent.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Maritime Port Authority (MPA)

09 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Tanker, Liberia-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Philip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB201224

POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Liberia-flagged tanker, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°03'30.0"N 103°39'48.0"E) on 09 Dec 2024, at 05:17 (UTC +8).

Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and the breathing apparatus compressor was reported missing during rounds. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

IFC Comments:

Based on ship master's report, the incident time was at 05:17 (UTC +8).

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:

14 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Davao Oriental, Philippines/ DB161224

On 14 Dec, a small boat sunk due to bad weather off Davao Oriental, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/17iqYxiU6w/>

15 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued, 2 Missing/ SAR/ Off SongKhla, Thailand/ DB171224

On 15 Dec, a fishing vessel sunk due to bad weather off SongKhla, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there was two missing and five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1EejgA7d7u/>

16 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Human Error/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off An-do, Yeosu, ROK/ DB181224

On 16 Dec, a fishing vessel sank due to human error off An-do, Yeosu, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.ytn.co.kr/_ln/0115_202412170651285809

19 Dec - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Dredger/ Off Manila Bay, Philippines/ DB201224

On 19 Dec, a dredger caught fire off Manila Bay, Philippines

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/topstories/metro/930466/fire-hits-dredger-vessel-in-manila-bay/story/>

18 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Collision-Grounding/ Passenger Vessel/ 52 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Judah Island, Indonesia/ DB201224

On 18 Dec, a passenger vessel ran aground off Judah Island, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was 52 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://hubla.dephub.go.id/Indonesianmaritimesafetyinformation/page/news/read/24407/speedboat-sundrico-88-mengalami-kandas-di-terumbu-karang-pulau-judah-semua-penumpang-dan-abk-selamat-speedboat-sundrico-88>

18 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Equipment Failure/ Yacht/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Lakei Island, Tanjung Datu, Malaysia/ DB201224

On 18 Dec, a yacht ran aground due to equipment failure off Lakei Island, Tanjung Datu, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there was two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2024/12/20/apmm-selamat-anak-kapal-layar-terkandas-di-tanjung-datu?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR36hdC7kSx5F0UAutw6zARdguZ4QqxtNYYlSBWWS686-PQPboTIFuAKiE_aem_2qTlogmAB6_zy7YKBCWy0w

17 Dec - Missing/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Missing/ SAR/ Off Kuala Sangai Pinang, Malaysia/ DB201224

On 17 Dec, a fishing vessel went missing due to bad weather off Kuala Sangai Pinang, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there was two missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2024/12/18/fishermen-feared-drowned-after-boat-mishap-off-balik-pulau/>

Out of Reporting Period:

09 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Occidental Mindoro, Philippines/ DB161224

On 9 Dec, a small boat sunk due to bad weather off Occidental Mindoro, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was 11 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1FNkdPK3ji/>

13 Dec - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Ship/ 22 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kawthoung, Myanmar/ DB171224

On 13 Dec, a cargo ship caught fire due to unknown causes off Kawthoung, Myanmar. SAR was conducted and there was 22 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news-eleven.com/article/298308>

13 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Tanker vs Passenger Ship/ Off Tanjung Sekong, Indonesia/ DB171224

On 13 Dec, a tanker collided with a passenger vessel due to bad weather off Tanjung Sekong, Indonesia

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/345203/casualties#352943>

<https://www.seasearcher.com/vessel/10275102/casualties#362227>

12 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Gianh Port, Vietnam/ DB171224

On 12 Dec, a fishing vessel sunk due to bad weather off Gianh Port, 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>

09 Dec - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Bunkering Tanker/ 7 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tanjung Berakit, Indonesia/ DB181224

On 9 Dec, a bunkering tanker went adrift due to equipment failure off Tanjung Berakit, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were seven rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1F4p5MvQ5e/>

12 Dec - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Sailing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Songkhla, Thailand/ DB191224

On 12 Dec, a sailing vessel was adrift due to equipment failure off Songkhla, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15Vo9RpiB2>

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

Incidents:

16 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Palau Terong, Kuala Kurau, Malaysia/ DB161224

On 16 Dec, local authorities confiscated 59 units of traps for fishing with illegal gear off Palau Terong, Kuala Kurau, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15Mxc79v7Y/>

19 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Tanjung Karang, Malaysia/ DB191224

On 19 Dec, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen due to license of fishing vessel off Tanjung Karang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0JQgzFCf5sfuFpZtu4VU1gfLkBnqgnxPmpoAGkHUTQxVyD8kYxgDX5KAaKw2KcN7il?rddid=xXQihZZsFCMdiAiW>

17 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 8 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Southeast Rumbia Island, Malaysia/ DB191224

On 17 Dec, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested eight local fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Southeast Rumbia Island, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/18YwGLzFmk/>

Out of Reporting Period:

09 Dec - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Destroyed/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Croker Island, Australia/ DB161224

On 9 Dec, local authorities destroyed a fishing vessel for license of fishing vessel off Croker Island, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.abf.gov.au/newsroom-subsite/Pages/Operation-LUNAR-Illegal-foreign-fishing-vessel-destroyed-off-NT-coast.aspx>

12 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Rumbia Island, Perak, Malaysia/ DB181224

On 12 Dec, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested five foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishermen off Rumbia Island, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0C4edaoMzEGLGbFg8XuGdAUQVUiZVGo6HE1dwcHme3kGU7AzRXrWpndvouN3zqCZNI?rdid=0x0BljZzMdbKGJSZ>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

15 Dec - Wildlife/ Mussels (250,000)/ Speed Boat/ Off Mong Cai. Quang Ninh, Vietnam/ DB181224

On 15 Dec, local authorities seized 250,000 mussels onboard a speed boat off Mong Cai. Quang Ninh, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12558/81>

Out of Reporting Period:

13 Dec - Drugs/ Meth (0.002kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Off Tanjung Batu, Indonesia/ DB171224

On 13 Dec, local authorities seized 0.002kg of meth off Tanjung Batu, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://fokusborneo.com/kriminal/2024/12/14/prajurit-lantamal-xiii-gagalkan-penyeludupan-narkoba/>

11 Dec - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (30,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Con Dao, Vietnam/ DB181224

On 11 Dec, local authorities seized 30,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a fishing vessel off Con Dao, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vov.vn/phap-luat/canh-sat-bien-lien-tiep-bat-giu-tau-cho-dau-do-khong-ro-nguon-goc-post1141815.vov>

09 Dec - Wildlife/ Lobster Seeds (52,800)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Krui, Lampung Province, Indonesia/ DB181224

On 9 Dec, local authorities seized 52,800 lobster seeds in Krui, Lampung Province, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://kkp.go.id/news/news-detail/kkp-gagalkan-penyelundupan-52-ribu-bbl-senilai-rp78-m-wVYr.html>

24 Nov - Domestic Product/ Gas (2 Canisters), Cooking Oil (17 kg), Rice (115 kg)/ Small Boat/ Off Felda Sahabat, Lahad Dadu, Malaysia/ DB191224

On 24 Nov, local authorities seized two canisters of gas, 17kg of cooking oil and 115kg of rice from a small boat off Felda Sahabat, Lahad Dadu, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15Rp7zNhJX/>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

19 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 9 Unknown Migrants/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Sungai Silau, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB201224

On 19 Dec, local authorities arrested nine unknown migrants onboard a small boat off Sungai Silau, North Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://tni.mil.id/view-249910-tim-f-1-qr-lanal-tba-kembali-gagalkan-penyelundup-pmi-ilegal.html>

Out of Reporting Period:

12 Dec - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Rumbia Island, Perak, Malaysia/ DB161224

On 12 Dec, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested four Myanmar fishermen for illegal documentation off Rumbia Island, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1G7BXpbcot/>

04 Dec - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Kuala Kuraurau, Malaysia/ DB161224

On 4 Dec, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested three Myanmar fishermen for illegal documentation off Kuala Kuraurau, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1AqqaVp8g7/>

03 Dec - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Palau Talang, Perak, Malaysia/ DB161224

On 3 Dec, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested three Myanmar fishermen for illegal documentation off Palau Talang, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1EoAJPQPd5/>

28 Nov - Illegal Documentation/ Shore-Based Fishing/ 6 South Asian Workers/ Off Pangkor Island, Malaysia/ DB191224

On 28 Nov, local authorities arrested six South Asian workers off Pangkor Island, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1DjDgaHke4/>

22 Nov - Illegal Documentation/ Local Fishing Vessel/ 1 Thai, 2 Indonesian, 2 Cambodian Fishermen/ Off Muara Tebas, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB191224

On 28 Nov, local authorities arrested one Thai, two Indonesian, and two Cambodian fishermen off Muara Tebas, Sarawak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15ceDsvR7u/>

21 Nov - Illegal Documentation/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels/ 11 Myanmar Fishermen/ Off Tanjung Sauh, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB191224

On 21 Nov, local authorities arrested 11 Myanmar fishermen off Tanjung Sauh, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1S6Qy5dhaa/>

15 Nov - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 70 Unknown Migrants/ From Unknown to Thailand/ Off Phang Nga Province, Thailand/ DB191224

On 15 Nov, local authorities arrested 70 unknown migrants off Phang Nga Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

THAI MECC

<https://www.straitstimes.com/asia/se-asia/thailand-detains-70-illegal-migrants-believed-to-be-rohingya-from-myanmar>

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

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

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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