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



For the period of 19 - 25 Oct 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	1	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	11	4-6
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	10	7-9
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	12	10-12
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	1	2	13
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	1	14
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	2	15
Others	0	0	16

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

Information Update:

18 Oct - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Bulk Carrier, Liberia-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB211024 (Information Update on DB181024)

Local authorities investigated and there was a brief confrontation, but perpetrators fled after ship master sounded alarm; unable to ascertain actual number of perpetrators but estimated approx. 7 to 10 perpetrators; and confirmed that nothing was stolen after post stock-taking.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: CSO

Incident:

23 Oct - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Tanker, Kuwait-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel/ DB231024

1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding on a Kuwait-flagged tanker, as the vessel was transiting in the eastbound lane of TSS in Phillip Channel (1°04.18N 103°41.00E) on 23 Oct 24 at 0035 (UTC + 8). Crew reportedly sighted 6 perpetrators armed with knives in the engine room, alarm was raised and the perpetrators fled. All crew were accounted for, and no injuries were reported. No items were reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue to her NPOC, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (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:

24 Oct - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Ferry/ 21 Rescued/ SAR/ Off K. Vaadhoo Reef, Maldives/ DB251024

On 24 Oct, a ferry went aground due to an unknown cause off K. Vaadhoo Reef, Maldives. SAR was conducted and there were 21 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: MRCC Male

21 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather (Tropical Storm Kristine)/ Small Boat/ 1 Missing 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Merida, Leyte, Philippines/ DB251024

On 21 Oct, a small boat sank due to bad weather off Merida, Leyte, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there is one missing and two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.sunstar.com.ph/tacloban/1-missing-2-survive-in-leyte-sea-mishap

21 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Ca Mau, Vietnam/ DB251024

On 21 Oct, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Ca Mau, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/cuu-nan-thanh-cong-5-thuyen-vien-bi-chim-tau-tren-bien-post482455.html

21 Oct - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Spratly Islands, South China Sea/ DB251024

On 21 Oct, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Spratly Islands, South China Sea. SAR was conducted and there were 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://baobinhthuan.com.vn/phu-quy-14-lao-dong-can-ho-tro-tren-tau-ca-bi-gay-lai-o-truong-sa-125023.html

20 Oct - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 19 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Zambales, Philippines/ DB251024

On 20 Oct, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Zambales, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 19 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/dMujY171eMapFWoQ/

23 Oct - Others/ Unauthorised Operation/ Tanker/ Off Laut Island, Natuna Sea/ DB241024

On 23 Oct, a tanker conducted an unauthorised operation off Laut Island, Natuna Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Polly-9294351.html

21 Oct - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather (Tropical Depression Kristine)/ Small Boat/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Lampinigan Island Basilan, Philippines/ DB221024

On 21 Oct, a small boat capsized due to bad weather off Lampinigan Island Basilan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.sunstar.com.ph/zamboanga/pcg-men-rescue-2-people-off-basilan-province

21 Oct - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Tug/ Off Kuala Kemena, Bintulu, South China Sea/ DB221024

On 21 Oct, a tug was detained due to unauthorised operation off Kuala Kemena, Bintulu, South China Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0QD8jbkP4NVVxWuhdsDearNUdPb7bADS1u5i2ubHCxBhv2SvkjCL2ZP2P1i7AoBJDl

21 Oct - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ Tanker/ 22 Rescued/ SAR/ East Johor Strait, Singapore/ DB221024

On 21 Oct, a tanker caught fire due to equipment failure in East Johor Strait. SAR was conducted and there were 22 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://container-news.com/tanker-catches-fire-in-singapore-waters/

IFC Comments:

Local authorities assessed that the vessel was safe enough to board as there was no signs of fire

Out of Reporting Period:

17 Oct - Other/ Cause Unknown/ Bulk Carrier/ 1 Missing/ SAR/ Off Port Hedland, Australia/ DB221024

On 17 Oct, there was a man overboard on a bulk carrier off Port Headland, Australia. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/Info Source: AMSA Report 2024/8225

13 Oct - Missing/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kuala Kemaman, Malaysia/ DB211024

On 13 Oct, a fishing vessel went missing due to an unknown cause off Kuala Kemaman, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid035RDK6W8TBaa7xft5jKyJ6cb5g JrxVRso7jKuFSXyEegDP7KAF2jwAQZWTsT29xH1l

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

Incidents:

19 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Chinese Fishing Vessels Detained/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Hongdo, ROK/ DB241024

On 19 Oct, local authorities detained two Chinese fishing vessels for invalid license of fishing vessel off Hongdo, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://news.heraldcorp.com/village/view.php?ud=20241019050039

21 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Pulau Pasir Hitam, Perak, Malaysia/ DB231024

On 21 Oct, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested three foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishermen off Pulau Pasir Hitam, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0GWMdR73G6NyxFBAwRegxryhNZrJLoefjn6YUo6dryjDMM8uYxiUpABMJPJFwL8PQl

21 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 9 Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Pulau Usukan, Kota Kinabalu, South China Sea/ DB231024

On 21 Oct, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested nine fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas in Pulau Usukan, Kota Kinabalu, South China Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02LHYFoQFg4NXsFiqZGLyxmjYGsc6uejsJav2AX6QK6aB4Jwpc88sZNZjz8tP4j8jUl

Out of Reporting Period:

09 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Mara Island, ROK/ DB241024

On 9 Oct, local authorities detained one Chinese Fishing Vessel for fishing with illegal gear off Mara Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20241007_0002911271

05 Oct - Poaching/Illegal Fishing/1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/16 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Socheong Island, ROK/DB241024

On 5 Oct, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel and arrested 16 foreign fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Socheong Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.news1.kr/local/incheon/5559680

14 Oct - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Misreporting Catches/ Off Heuksan-do Island, ROK/ DB231024

On 14 Oct, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for misreporting catches off Heuksan-do Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.nocutnews.co.kr/news/6227610?utm_source=naver&utm_medium=article&utm_campaign=20241015032547

17 Oct - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Foreign Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Muara Tok Bali, Kelantan, South China Sea/ DB221024

On 17 Oct, local authorities detained one foreign fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel off Muara Tok Bali, Kelantan, South China Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0isjVuZRqTavMQTQJmyzFrcbxyMzhvYF4anNoTVYKDmqyQurpPMbZVkDkVxfH7jwCl

17 Oct - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Carrying of Vessel Monitoring System/ Off Hon Khoai, Vietnam/ DB211024

On 17 Oct, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested two local fishermen for illegal carrying of vessel monitoring system off Hon Khoai, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12355/81

12 Oct - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Misreporting Catches/ Off Chagwido, Jeju, ROK/ DB211024

On 12 Oct, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for misreporting catches off Chagwido, Jeju, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20241013_0002918082

12 Oct - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Misreporting Catches/ Off Chagwi Island, Jeju, ROK/ DB211024

On 12 Oct, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for misreporting catches off Chagwi Island, Jeju, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20241013_0002918082

SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

21 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (0.290kg)/ Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Pelabuhan Jayapura Port, Indonesia/ DB241024

On 21 Oct, local authorities seized 0.290kg of meth onboard a passenger vessel in Pelabuhan Jayapura Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/76880/TNI-AL-BERHASIL-GAGALKAN-PENYELUNDUPAN-NARKOTIKA-JENIS-GANJA-SEBERAT-290-GRAM-DI-JAYAPURA/

19 Oct - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (42,000,000 Sticks)/ Cargo Vessel/ To Hong Kong/ Tsing Yi, Hong Kong/ DB241024

On 19 Oct, local authorities seized 42,000,000 sticks of cigarettes onboard a cargo vessel in Tsing Yi, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_4363.html?p=1&y=&m=

20 Oct - Drugs/ Ketum Leaves (1 Tonne)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Thailand/ Kuala Sanglang, Perlis, Malaysia/ DB221024

On 20 Oct, local authorities seized one tonne of ketum leaves onboard a small boat in Kuala Sanglang, Perlis, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0N5ckDJ8rYkdEqWHYnHqmaenWYD9mPdBwzrLfTKc6ACf9dTQ7ryvHG5E95Pzr4xPXl

Out of Reporting Period:

18 Oct - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (11,000,000 Sticks)/ Container Vessel/ From Taiwan to Guangdong via Hong Kong/ Kwai Chung Customhouse Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong/ DB241024

On 18 Oct, local authorities seized 11,000,000 sticks of cigarettes onboard a container vessel in Kwai Chung Customhouse Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_4363.html?p=1&y=&m=

16 Oct - Domestic Products/ Counterfeit Goods (74,700)/ Container Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Tuen Mun River Trade Terminal Customs Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong/ DB241024

On 16 Oct, local authorities seized 74,700 counterfeit goods onboard a container vessel in Tuen Mun River Trade Terminal Customs Cargo Examination Compound, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_4364.html?p=1&y=&m=

15 Oct - Wildlife/ Birds (6,514)/ Ferry/ Domestic Smuggling/ Bandar Bakau Jaya Harbor, Bakauheni District, South Lampung Regency, Indonesia/ DB231024

On 15 Oct, local authorities seized 6,514 birds onboard a ferry in Bandar Bakau Jaya Harbor, Bakauheni District, South Lampung Regency, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source: Bakamla Biweekly October 2024

09 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (0.685kg) and Ecstasy (78 Pills)/ Passenger Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Batam Ferry Port, Indonesia/ DB231024

On 9 Oct, local authorities seized 0.685kg of meth and 78 pills of ecstasy onboard a passenger vessel at Batam Ferry Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.beacukai.go.id/berita/bea-cukai-batam-bekuk-dua-penumpang-ferry-yang-sembunyikan-narkoba-di-selangkangan.html

08 Oct - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (1,220 Bottles)/ Passenger Ship/ Manado City, North Sulawesi, Indonesia/ DB231024

On 8 Oct, local authorities seized 1,220 bottles of alcohol onboard a passenger ship in Manado City, North Sulawesi, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: Bakamla Biweekly October 2024

04 Oct - Drugs/ Meth (5kg)/ Cargo Ship/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Teluk Nibung Port, Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB231024

On 4 Oct, local authorities seized 5kg of meth onboard a cargo ship at Teluk Nibung Port, Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://en.antaranews.com/news/329338/ri-malaysia-drug-smuggling-foiled-in-north-sumatras-tanjungbalai

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04 Oct - Drugs/Marijuana (0.600kg)/Passenger Vessel/Domestic Smuggling/Manokwari, Indonesia/DB231024

On 4 Oct, local authorities seized 0.600kg of marijuana onboard a passenger vessel in Manokwari, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: Bakamla Biweekly October 2024

01 Oct - Wildlife/Birds (1,028)/Domestic Smuggling/Bakauheni Port, Lampung, Indonesia/DB231024

On 1 Oct, local authorities seized 1,028 birds at Bakauheni Port, Lampung, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source: Bakamla Biweekly Oct 2024

17 Oct - Drugs/ Cocaine (30kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Italy to Australia/ Sydney, Australia/ DB221024

On 17 Oct, local authorities seized 30kg of cocaine onboard a container vessel in Sydney, Australia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.afp.gov.au/news-centre/media-release/appeal-public-assistance-after-30kg-cocaine-seized-sydney

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Information Update:

18 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 210 Rohingya Migrants/ To Indonesia/ Labuan Haji, Aceh, Indonesia/ DB241024 (Information Update on DB221024)

It was updated there were 210 Rohingya migrants instead of 100.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.nytimes.com/2024/10/23/world/asia/rohingya-muslim-refugees-indonesia-boat.html

Out of Reporting Period:

14 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 8 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Bambangan Port, Sebatik, Indonesia/ DB231024

On 14 Oct, local authorities detained one small boat and arrested eight Indonesian migrants at Bambangan Port, Sebatik, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source: Bakamla Biweekly October 2024

18 Oct - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 100 Rohingya Migrants/ To Indonesia/ Labuan Haji, Aceh, Indonesia/ DB221024

On 14 Oct, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested 100 Rohingya migrants in Labuan Haji, Aceh, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.straitstimes.com/asia/se-asia/boat-carrying-more-than-100-rohingya-refugees-sighted-off-indonesia

https://www.channelnewsasia.com/asia/united-nations-inodnesia-myanmar-rohingya-boat-rescue-refugees-4693466

IFC Comments:

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

SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incident:

20 Oct - MARPOL/Liquid (Oil Spil)/Off Bukom Island, Singapore/DB211024

On 20 Oct, there was an oil spill off Bukom Island, Singapore.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/oil-spill-in-singapore-waters-after-leakage-in-shell-s-land-based-pipeline

SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Incidents:

19 Oct - Spoofing/ AIS/ Tanker/ Yellow Sea/ DB241024

On 19 Oct, a tanker was spoofing its AIS in the yellow sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://sentinelshare.page.link/G92Y

https://sentinelshare.page.link/d7pY

https://www.marinetraffic.com/ais/details/ships/shipid:460316/mmsi:477957100/imo:9294

240/vessel:SAPPHIRE

https://app.spectator.earth/channels?&@37.783,123.6523,10z

IFC Comments:

NZ ILO updated that the vessel could be spoofing AIS

19 Oct - Spoofing/ AIS/ Tanker/ Off Johor, South China Sea/ DB241024

On 19 Oct, a tanker was spoofing its AIS off Johor, South China Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://sentinelshare.page.link/gKHy

https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Full-Wood-9212864.html

IFC Comments:

NZ ILO updated that the vessel could be spoofing AIS

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 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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