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



For the period of 29 Dec 23 - 05 Jan 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	3	2-3
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	4
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	15	5-8
Illegal, Unregulated, and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	5	9-10
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	10	11-13
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	7	14-15
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	2	16
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	17
Others	0	0	18

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

### Incidents:

04 Jan - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Iran-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB040124

1. POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving a Iran-flagged bulk carrier occurred as the vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°04'00.0"N 103°40'00.0"E) on 4 Jan at 03:15 (UTC+8). Crew reportedly sighted six perpetrators armed with knives in the engine room.

2. Ship master reported all crew are safe and accounted for, and engine spare parts were reported stolen. 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)

04 Jan - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Singapore-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB040124

1. POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving a Singapore-flagged bulk carrier occurred as the vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°03'20.0"N 103°40'50.0"E) on 4 Jan at 02:40 (UTC+8). Crew reportedly sighted five perpetrators in the engine room.

2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and generator spare parts were reported 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)

**Out of Reporting Period:**

**26 Dec - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Products Tanker/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia/ DB040124**

Four robbers, armed with knives, boarded an anchored tanker. They took hostage on the duty AB and tied him up. The onboard shore security watchman abandoned his post when threatened with knives. Duty engineer on routine rounds noticed the robbers and raised the alarm, resulting in the robbers escaping with stolen engine spares. The incident was reported to the port authority via a local agent.

**News Link(s)/ Info Source:**  
**IMB**



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

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## SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

### Incidents:

04 Jan - Collision-Grounding/ Collision-Grounding/ Sailing Vessel/ 7 Rescued/ SAR/ Labuan Bajo Waters, Indonesia/ DB050124

On 4 Jan, a sailing vessel ran aground as it collided with a reef in Labuan Bajo waters, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were seven rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://kupang.tribunnews.com/2024/01/04/breaking-news-kapal-wisata-bawa-5-wisatawan-di-labuan-bajo-kandas-usai-tabrak-karang>

03 Jan - Sunk-Capsized/ Other/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Balar, Malaysia/ DB050124

On 3 Jan, a fishing vessel capsized as it got hit by a shoal of whale sharks off Pulau Balar, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2024/01/997296/fishing-boat-capsizes-after-being-struck-whale-sharks-five-crewmen>

03 Jan - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 7 Rescued/ SAR/ Legundi Island Waters, South Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB050124

On 3 Jan, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress in Legundi Island waters, South Sumatra, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were seven rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://kupastuntas.co/2024/01/04/kapal-berpenumpang-6-nelayan-asal-lamsel-tenggelam-saat-cari-ikan-di-perairan-pulau-legundi>

02 Jan - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Vessel/ 120 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Lampingan Island, Basilan, Philippines/ DB040124

On 2 Jan, a passenger vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Lampingan Island, Basilan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 120 rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1883539/navy-rescues-120-passengers-of-boat-with-engine-trouble-off-basilan?utm\\_source=MGIDnewsinfo.inquirer.net\\_internal&utm\\_medium=MGIDreff&utm\\_campaign=MGIDnewsinfo.inquirer.net\\_internal&utm\\_content=1191000164&utm\\_term=1524953](https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1883539/navy-rescues-120-passengers-of-boat-with-engine-trouble-off-basilan?utm_source=MGIDnewsinfo.inquirer.net_internal&utm_medium=MGIDreff&utm_campaign=MGIDnewsinfo.inquirer.net_internal&utm_content=1191000164&utm_term=1524953)

01 Jan - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Container Ship/ 12 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Porbandar, India/ DB040124

On 1 Jan, a container ship caught fire due to an unknown cause off Porbandar, India. SAR was conducted and there were 12 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://twitter.com/DefencePRO\\_Guj/status/1742186496357212216/photo/2](https://twitter.com/DefencePRO_Guj/status/1742186496357212216/photo/2)

01 Jan - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Sailing Vessel vs Speed Boat/ 1 Dead, 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Gili Meno, North Lombok, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia/ DB030124

On 1 Jan, a sailing vessel collided with a speed boat due to an unknown cause off Gili Meno, North Lombok, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there was one dead and two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://daerah.sindonews.com/read/1289337/174/perahu-berpenumpang-turis-asing-tabrakan-di-gili-meno-lombok-juru-mudi-tewas-1704096084>

31 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Vessel/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Ga. Nilandhoo Island Harbour, Maldives/ DB030124

On 31 Dec, a cargo vessel ran aground due to water ingress off Ga. Nilandhoo Island Harbour, Maldives. SAR was conducted and 11 were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mndf.gov.mv/mndf/en/news-article-dhiv.php?article=4778>

29 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Barge/ 12 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Khulna, Shibsa River, Bangladesh/ DB030124

On 29 Dec, a barge sank due to an unknown cause off Khulna, Shibsa River, Bangladesh. SAR was conducted and there were 12 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://unb.com.bd/category/Bangladesh/vessel-carrying-fly-ash-capsizes-in-shibsha-river/128279>

01 Jan - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Fishing Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ 12 Rescued/ Off Ca Mau, Viet Nam/ DB020124

On 1 Jan, a fishing vessel sank as it collided with another fishing vessel off Ca Mau, Viet Nam. 12 crew members onboard the sunken fishing vessel were rescued by fishermen in the vicinity.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vtv.vn/xa-hoi/cuu-12-thuyen-vien-tren-tau-ca-bi-chim-20240102045511407.htm>



31 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Collision-Grounding/ Speed Boat/ 1 Dead, 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Phuket, Thailand/ DB020124

On 31 Dec, a speed boat went aground as it collided with rocks off Phuket, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there was one dead and eight rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://thephuketexpress.com/2024/01/01/five-year-old-russian-girl-dies-after-speedboat-crash-near-maithon-island-in-phuket/>

30 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ off Agno, Pangasinan, Philippines/ DB020124

On 30 Dec, a fishing vessel capsized due to bad weather off Agno, Pangasinan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.philstar.com/nation/2024/01/02/2322854/2-fishermenrescued-pangasinan>

29 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Vessel/ 10 Rescued/ Off Gd. Nadella Island, Maldives/ DB020124

On 29 Dec, a cargo vessel went aground due to water ingress off Gd. Nadella Island, Maldives. 10 were rescued by a local vessel in the vicinity.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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Out of Reporting Period:

23 Dec - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Other Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Bataraza Palawan, Philippines/ DB030124

On 23 Dec, a raft sank due to water ingress off Bataraza Palawan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://radyopilipinas.ph/2024/01/mangingisdang-palaweno-na-na-rescue-sa-wps-matapos-ang-walong-araw-sa-karagatan/><https://palawan-news.com/philippines-%E2%82%B1k-polymer-banknote-wins-top-award/>



26 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Tanker vs Fishing Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Chengshan Jiao, China/ DB020124

On 26 Dec, a tanker collided with a fishing vessel due to an unknown cause off Chengshan Jiao, China. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.mpa.gov.sg/media-centre/details/collision-between-singapore-flagged-tanker-and-chinese-flagged-fishing-vessel>

16 Dec - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Gulhi, Maldives/ DB020124

On 16 Dec, a cargo vessel went aground due to an unknown cause in Gulhi, Maldives. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.sun.mv/86526>



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

### Incidents:

03 Jan - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 4 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Tabu-Tabu, Malaysia/ DB050124

On 3 Jan, local authorities detained four local fishing vessels and arrested an unknown number of fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Tabu-Tabu, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2024/01/04/empat-bot-disyaki-terlibat-aktiviti-bom-ikan-dirampas>

03 Jan - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Local and 1 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and License of Fishermen/ Off Kuala Papar, Sabah/ DB050124

On 3 Jan, local authorities detained one fishing vessel. They also arrested four local and one foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel and fishermen off Kuala Papar, Sabah.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sabahmedia.com/2024/01/04/maritim-malaysia-tahan-bot-nelayan-tempatan-lakukan-pelbagai-kesalahan/>

30 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and License of Fishermen/ Off Sabak Bernam, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB020124

On 30 Dec, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel and fishermen off Sabak Bernam, Selangor, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://malaysiagazette.com/2023/12/31/bot-nelayan-bawa-air-daun-ketum-ditahan-di-perairan-sabak-bernam/>

29 Dec - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Fishing Vessels Detained/ Illegal Carrying of Vessel Monitoring System/ Off Phu Quoc, Viet Nam/ DB020124

On 29 Dec, local authorities detained two fishing vessels for illegal carrying of vessel monitoring system off Phu Quoc, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vov.vn/xa-hoi/lien-tiep-bat-giu-tau-cho-thiet-bi-vms-cua-tau-ca-khac-post1068708.vov>

Out of Reporting Period:

26 Dec - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Not Reporting Catches/ Off Chagwi Island, ROK/ DB020124

On 26 Dec, local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel for not reporting catches off Chagwi Island, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.jejuilbo.net/news/articleView.html?idxno=219804>



## SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

### Incidents:

03 Jan - Domestic Products/ Avocados (158 Boxes), Lotus Seeds (100 Boxes) and Grapefruits (298 Boxes)/ Container Vessel/ Shanghai Waigaoqiao Port, China/ DB040124

On 3 Jan, local authorities seized 158 boxes of avocados, 100 boxes of lotus seeds and 298 boxes of grapefruits onboard a container vessel in Shanghai Waigaoqiao Port, China.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.thepaper.cn/newsDetail\\_forward\\_25885932](https://www.thepaper.cn/newsDetail_forward_25885932)

31 Dec - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (10 Cartons and 8 Bottles)/ Passenger Vessel/ Samabusa Port, Nabire Regency, Indonesia/ DB030124

On 31 Dec, local authorities seized ten cartons and eight bottles of alcohol onboard a passenger vessel at Samabusa Port, Nabire Regency, Indonesia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/66532/DIAKHIR-TAHUN-2023,-PRAJURIT-TNI-AL-KEMBALI-AMANKAN-MIRAS-ILEGAL-DI-NABIRE,-PAPUA/>

30 Dec - Wildlife/ Shellfish Seeds/ Fishing Vessel/ From Malaysia/ Off Kuala Perlis, Malaysia/ DB020124

On 30 Dec, local authorities seized shellfish seeds onboard a fishing vessel off Kuala Perlis, Malaysia.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://suaramerdeka.com.my/cubaan-tekong-guna-bot-fiber-tiada-pendaftaran-seludup-benih-kerang-digagalkan/?fbclid=IwAR2h\\_GwISOjL3luwo-99vZ109tDk2WlnSUSw72gRxiuZO-4WYVqDtnmT4w](https://suaramerdeka.com.my/cubaan-tekong-guna-bot-fiber-tiada-pendaftaran-seludup-benih-kerang-digagalkan/?fbclid=IwAR2h_GwISOjL3luwo-99vZ109tDk2WlnSUSw72gRxiuZO-4WYVqDtnmT4w)

29 Dec - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (15,000 Litres)/ Small Boat/ Off Hai Phong, Viet Nam/ DB020124

On 29 Dec, local authorities seized 15,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a small boat off Hai Phong, Viet Nam.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://canhsatbien.vn/bo-tu-lenh-vung-canhsat-bien-1-tam-giu-tau-cho-15-000-lit-dau-do-khong-ro-nguon-goc/11547/81>

Out of Reporting Period:

28 Dec - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (2,880 Litres)/ Container Vessel/ Klang North Port, Malaysia/ DB040124

On 28 Dec, local authorities seized 2,880 litres of alcohol onboard a container vessel at Klang North Port, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.enanyang.my/%E8%A6%81%E9%97%BB/%E6%80%BB%E5%80%BC515%E4%B8%87-%E5%85%B3%E7%A8%8E%E5%B1%80%E5%8C%97%E6%B8%AF%E8%B5%B7%E8%8E%B7%E8%B5%B0%E7%A7%81%E7%83%88%E9%85%92>

27 Dec - Domestic Products/ Dried Seafood, Pharmaceutical Products and Skin Care Products/ Container Vessel/ From Hong Kong to Viet Nam/ Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong/ DB040124

On 27 Dec, local authorities seized dried seafood, pharmaceutical products and skin care products onboard a container vessel in Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://gbcode.rthk.hk/TuniS/news.rthk.hk/rthk/ch/component/k2/1734776-20240103.htm>

28 Dec - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (35,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Con Dao Island, Viet Nam/ DB030124

On 28 Dec, local authorities seized 35,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a small boat off Con Dao Island, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vietnamplus.vn/ba-ria-vung-tau-bat-giu-tau-cho-khoang-35000-lit-dau-do-khong-ro-nguon-goc-post918389.vnp>

28 Dec - Domestic Products/ Rice (4,720kg)/ Passenger Vessel/ From Sabah/ Off Semporna, Sabah/ DB020124

On 28 Dec, local authorities seized 4,720kg of rice onboard a passenger vessel off Semporna, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/ppm-tahan-4-lelaki-cuba-seludup-keluar-472-kampit-beras/?fbclid=IwAR2NNQt90L\\_R\\_OffvomaSsCj0WbHmzdKAI0WkEz8ABZ2icN3mn8wQmjkkds](https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/ppm-tahan-4-lelaki-cuba-seludup-keluar-472-kampit-beras/?fbclid=IwAR2NNQt90L_R_OffvomaSsCj0WbHmzdKAI0WkEz8ABZ2icN3mn8wQmjkkds)

28 Dec - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (3,392,000 Sticks)/ Unknown Vessel/ Jawaharlal Nehru Port, India/ DB020124

On 28 Dec, local authorities seized 3,392,000 sticks of cigarettes onboard an unknown vessel in Jawaharlal Nehru Port, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.freepressjournal.in/mumbai/navi-mumbai-smuggled-cigarettes-worth-57-crore-seized-by-dri-at-nhava-sheva>

09 Dec - Drugs/ Marijuana (1.38 Tons)/ Tanker/ From Thailand to Taiwan/ Off Kaohsiung, Taiwan/ DB020124

On 9 Dec, local authorities seized 1.38 tons of marijuana onboard a tanker off Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.chinapress.com.my/20231230/%E5%8F%B0%E8%AD%A6%E7%A0%B41-38%E5%90%A8%E8%B5%B0%E7%A7%81%E5%A4%A7%E9%BA%BB-%E5%B8%82%E4%BB%B7%E9%80%BE5%E4%BA%BF-10%E4%BA%BA%E6%94%B6%E6%8A%BC/>



## SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

### Incidents:

03 Jan - Irregular Human Migration/ Illegal Documentation/ Passenger Ferry/ 11 Indonesian and 11 Rohingya Migrants/ To Malaysia/ Panipahan Port, Indonesia/ DB050124

On 3 Jan, local authorities detained one passenger ferry. They also arrested 11 Indonesian and 11 Rohingya migrants at Panipahan Port, Indonesia.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.beritasatu.com/nusantara/2792402/polisi-amankan-22-calon-tki-ilegal-di-rohil-ternyata-11-di-antaranya-etnis-rohingya>, <https://www.jpnn.com/news/pengiriman-22-tki-ilegal-digagalkan-polres-rohil-11-di-antaranya-warga-rohingya>

### 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". Myanmar authorities had announced that these were illegal migrants who are called Bengalis, not Burmese migrants.

30 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 140 Rohingya Migrants/ To Indonesia/ Kuala Besar, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB020124

On 30 Dec, local authorities arrested 140 rohingya migrants in Kuala Besa, North Sumatra, Indonesia.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/asia/indonesia-north-sumatra-rohingya-myanmar-arrive-4019616>

### 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". Myanmar authorities had announced that these were illegal migrants who are called Bengalis, not Burmese migrants.

30 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 152 Unknown Migrants/ To Indonesia/ Karang Gading Village, Labuhan Deli District, Indonesia/ DB020124

On 30 Dec, local authorities arrested 152 unknown migrants at Karang Gading Village, Labuhan Deli District, Indonesia.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tvonenews.com/daerah/sumatera/178231-kapal-karam-152-pengungsi-rohingya-terdampar-di-perairan-pantai-des-karang-gading-deli-serdang>



Out of Reporting Period:

16 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 156 Rohingya Migrants/ To Indonesia/ Karang Gading Village, Labuhan Deli, Deli Serdang, North Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB030124

On 16 Dec, local authorities arrested 156 rohingya migrants onboard three unknown vessels in Karang Gading Village, Labuhan Deli, Deli Serdang, North Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.detik.com/berita/d-7120223/kapal-angkut-156-rohingya-karam-di-sumut-diduga-sengaja-dilubangi-nakhoda>

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". Myanmar authorities had announced that these were illegal migrants who are called Bengalis, not Burmese migrants.

28 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Pangkor Island, Perak, Malaysia/ DB020124

On 28 Dec, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested five Indonesian migrants off Pangkor Island, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://berita.rtm.gov.my/jenayah/senarai-berita-jenayah/senarai-artikel/cubaan-seludup-pati-tumpas-maritim-perak>

28 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Ashore/ 241 Indonesian Migrants/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Bagan Datuk, Perak, Malaysia/ DB020124

On 28 Dec, local authorities arrested 241 Indonesian migrants in Bagan Datuk, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nst.com.my/news/crime-courts/2023/12/995092/attempt-smuggle-out-241-illegal-immigrants-foiled-two-local-men>

28 Dec - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 36 Indonesian Migrants/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Pelintung Coast, Dumai, Indonesia/ DB020124

On 28 Dec, local authorities arrested 36 Indonesian migrants in Pelintung Coast, Dumai, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/66492/TNI-AL-BERHASIL-AMANKAN-36-PEKERJA-MIGRAN-INDONESIA-NON-PROSEDURAL-DI-DUMAI/>

## SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Out of Reporting Period:

18 Dec - MARPOL/ Liquid (Oil)/ Cargo Ship/ Local Contamination/ Baisha, Taiwan/ DB020124

On 18 Dec, there was an oil leak from a cargo ship in Baisha, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://taiwanenglishnews.com/cargo-ship-aground-and-leaking-oil-in-penghu-islands/>

01 Dec - MARPOL/ Liquid (Oil)/ Unknown Vessel/ Coastal Contamination/ Green Island, Taiwan/ DB020124

On 1 Dec, there was an oil leak from an unknown vessel in Green Island, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://focustaiwan.tw/society/202312170013>



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 take note on the description of the perpetrators and to take photos of the perpetrators if possible. Where available, CCTV footage capturing the incident should be provided to the coastal state authorities for follow-on investigation.
5. All mariners are advised to participate in IFC Voluntary Community Reporting (VCR) as depicted in MARSEC Chart Q6112 and Q6113. In case of any doubt, incident at sea, suspicious approach or unusual observed activity at sea, please contact the IFC Duty Officer:

Email: [information\\_fusion\\_centre@defence.gov.sg](mailto:information_fusion_centre@defence.gov.sg)

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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 also health and safety obligations, whilst recording these observations. The reporting of such events to IFC does not absolve you of your obligations towards coastal/ port/ flag authorities.

## PAST IFC SPOT COMMENTARIES/ANALYST JOURNAL

### 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 Tug boat "EVER ALPHA", Pulau Tambisan, Malaysia.

IFC Spot Commentary 1/18 – Observations on Sea Theft and Robberies recorded in Singapore Strait and its approaches – January to December 2017.

## 2017

IFC Spot Commentary 5/17 – Abduction of 5 Local Fishermen off Poblacion coast, Pangutaran, Sulu, Philippines.

IFC Spot Commentary 4/17 – Attempted Piracy / Oil Siphoning Incident on Oil Tanker MT MGT 1, Malaysia.

IFC Spot Commentary 3/17 – Abduction of Crew from SUPER SHUTTLE TUGBOAT 1, Basilan Strait.

IFC Spot Commentary 2/17 – Abduction of Crew of Giang Hai off Sibutu Passage.

IFC Spot Commentary 1/17 – Kidnapping, Harassment and Suspicious Activities in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.

## 2016

IFC Spot Commentary 2/16 – Kidnapping, Harassment and Suspicious Activities in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.

IFC Spot Commentary 1/16 – Kidnapping at Sea by Armed Groups in Waters off East Sabah and Southern Philippines.





Note: Information herein were derived from various internal and external sources such as Focal Points, OPCENs and other maritime stakeholders. Seafarers should remain vigilant especially in areas where the threat level is assessed to be of concern in accordance with the IFC's Assessments via its Weekly Report or Spot Commentaries. Ships should apply the appropriate security measures (such as Tugs and Barge Guide, Guide for Tankers Operating in Asia, or Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia). Ship masters should also be aware and refer to the Maritime Security Charts Q6112 and Q6113, both published by the UK Hydrographic Office.



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