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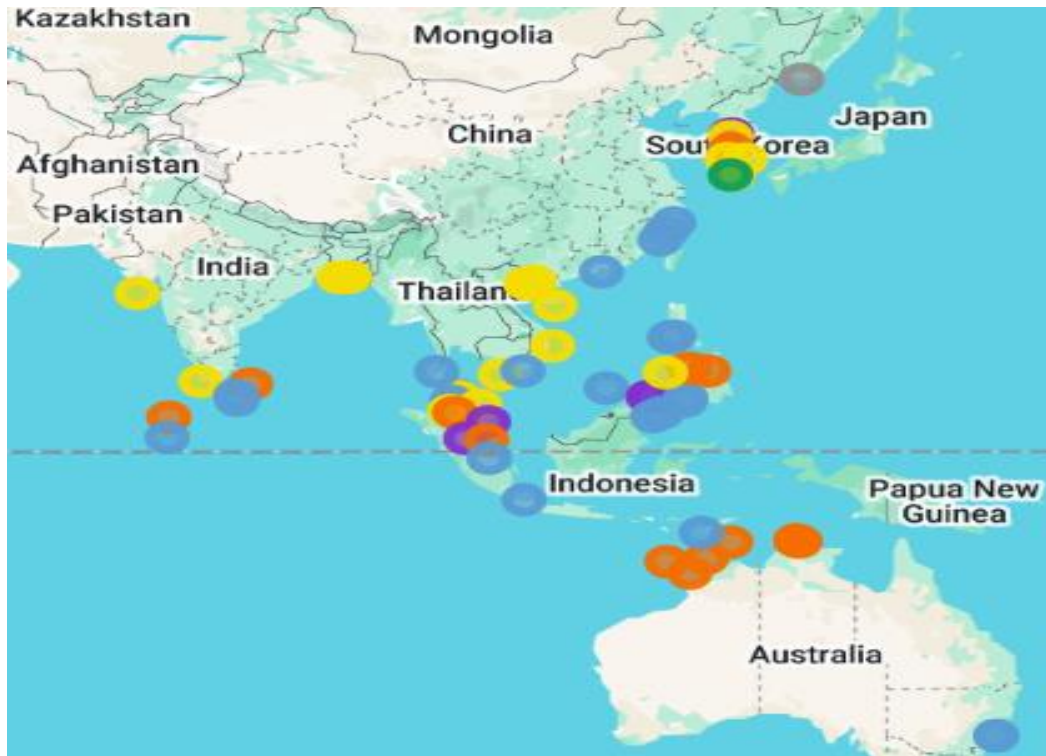
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## OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 16 – 22 Jul 25, 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                 | 0                   | 2              |
| Maritime Terrorism (MT)                             | 0                 | 0                   | 3              |
| Maritime Incidents (MI)                             | 0                 | 19                  | 4-7            |
| Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF) | 0                 | 16                  | 8-11           |
| Contraband Smuggling (CS)                           | 1                 | 23                  | 12-17          |
| Irregular Human Migration (IHM)                     | 0                 | 5                   | 18-19          |
| Environmental Security (ENVSEC)                     | 0                 | 1                   | 20             |
| Cyber Security (CYBSEC)                             | 0                 | 1                   | 21             |
| Others                                              | 0                 | 0                   | 22             |

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

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

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## SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

### Incidents:

16 Aug - Fire-Explosion/ Collision-Grounding/ Oil Products Tanker vs Tug/ 1 Dead, 18 Rescued/ Off Yeosu Port, ROK/ DB180825

On 16 Aug, an oil products tanker caught fire due to collision with a tug off Yeosu Port, ROK. SAR was conducted and one was dead and 18 were rescued.

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

<https://www.seapower.kr/news/articleView.html?idxno=6662>

17 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh/ DB190825

On 17 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure at Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh. SAR was conducted and eight were rescued.

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

<https://www.bssnews.net/district/302752>

17 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Fishing Vessel/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kuakata Beach, Bangladesh/ DB190825

On 17 Aug, a fishing vessel capsized due to collision with a reef off Kuakata Beach, Bangladesh. SAR was conducted and 10 were rescued.

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

<https://www.banglanews24.com/saradesh/news/bd/1576089.details>

<https://rtvonline.com/amp/country/339012>

17 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 rescued/ SAR/ Off Penang, Malaysia/ DB190825

On 17 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Penang, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and two were rescued.

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

<https://thesun.my/malaysia-news/missing-anglers-near-pulau-kendi-found-safe-after-boat-engine-failure-DD14711543>

19 Aug - Adrift/ Other/ Fishing Vessel, Leisure boat/ Off Wolryong Port, Jeju, ROK/ DB200825

On 19 Aug, a fishing vessel and a leisure boat went adrift due to being entangled by a fishing net off Wolryong Port, Jeju, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.jibs.co.kr/news/articles/articlesDetail/50748?feed=na>

19 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 2 Fishing Vessels/ 8 Missing, 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Jafrabad Coast, India/ DB200825

On 19 Aug, two fishing vessels capsized due to bad weather off Jafrabad Coast, India. SAR was conducted and eight was missing and 10 were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/india/2-boats-capsize-off-gujarat-coast-10-fishermen-rescued-8-others-missing>

18 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Quang Ninh province, Vietnam/ DB200825

On 18 Aug, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Quang Ninh province, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and 10 were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/ngu-dan-thanh-hoa-gui-thu-cam-on-bdbp-tinh-quang-ninh-sau-vu-chim-tau-post493519.html>

17 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Off Kien Giang Province, Vietnam/ DB200825

On 17 Aug, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Kien Giang Province, Vietnam. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://nongnghiepmoitruong.vn/cuu-ho-thanh-cong-tau-ca-bi-nan-tren-vung-bien-dac-khu-kien-hai-d768279.html>

15 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ Small Boat vs Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Incheon, ROK/ DB200825

On 15 Aug, a small boat sank due to collision with a fishing vessel off Incheon, ROK. SAR was conducted and two were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://n.news.naver.com/mnews/article/057/0001902666?sid=102>

17 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Bangladesh/ DB210825

On 17 Aug, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2846359742421122&rdid=Swl2D0CJaDv5qDBz>

17 Aug - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Tanker vs Fishing Vessel/ Off Neendakara Harbour, India/ DB210825

On 17 Aug, tanker collided with a fishing vessel due to unknown causes off Neendakara Harbour, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.newindianexpress.com/states/kerala/2025/Aug/17/hit-run-off-neendakara-flees-after-crashing-into-fishing-boat-off-kollam?utm\\_source=chatgpt.com](https://www.newindianexpress.com/states/kerala/2025/Aug/17/hit-run-off-neendakara-flees-after-crashing-into-fishing-boat-off-kollam?utm_source=chatgpt.com)

21 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Jaeun Island, ROK/ DB220825

On 21 Aug, a fishing vessel capsized due to unknown causes off Jaeun Island, ROK. SAR was conducted and two were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20250822043300054?input=1195m>

21 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Quang Ninh, Vietnam/ DB220825

On 21 Aug, a small boat capsized due to bad weather off Quang Ninh, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and three were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baoquangninh.vn/kip-thoi-cuu-ho-tau-ca-va-3-ngu-dan-gap-nan-tren-bien-3372613.html>

19 Aug - Adrift/ Bad Weather/ Unknown Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Sanya, Hainan Province, China/ DB220825

On 19 Aug, an unknown vessel went adrift due to bad weather off Sanya, Hainan Province, China. SAR was conducted and one was rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://m.gmw.cn/2025-08/20/content\\_1304117200.htm](https://m.gmw.cn/2025-08/20/content_1304117200.htm)

18 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ 2 Cargo Vessels/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Quang Ninh, Vietnam/ DB220825

On 18 Aug, two cargo vessels sank due to running aground off Quang Ninh, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and five were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://vov.vn/xa-hoi/cuu-ho-tau-hang-gap-nan-tren-bien-o-quang-ninh-post1223601.vov?jskey=gublNUPY44Pf%2Fol6qYVjwfuM%2BhP1xAcUAW%3D%3D>

Out of Reporting Period:

15 Aug - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Songkhla Province, Thailand/ DB180825

On 15 Aug, a small boat went adrift due to equipment failure off Songkhla Province, Thailand. SAR was conducted and five were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1FyYc5N5wE/>

14 Aug - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Daklak Province, Vietnam/ DB210825

On 14 Aug, a fishing vessel sank due to unknown causes off Daklak Province, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and five were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://nhandan.vn/kip-thoi-cuu-ho-tau-ca-va-ngu-dan-gap-nan-tren-bien-dak-lak-post901152.html>

15 Aug - Collision-Grounding/ Human Error/ Bulk Carrier/ Off Araceli, Palawan, Philippines/ DB220825

On 15 Aug, a bulk carrier ran aground due to human error off Araceli, Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/CGDPAL1968/videos/1919752132203360/?rdid=CsLTUWu57tU19GmB#>

15 Aug - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ 18 Small Boats/ Off Perhentian Island, Malaysia/ DB220825

On 15 Aug, 18 small boats were detained due to unauthorised operation off Perhentian Island, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/16eBzxGi5h/>

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

### Incidents:

19 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Carles, Iloilo, Philippines/ DB200825

On 19 Aug, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested two fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear off Carles, Iloilo, Philippines.

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

<https://www.facebook.com/radyopilipinasiloilo/posts/pfbid02xtCxuhhBbFcpK3HCpyRbZBAdhrNYuB2koPtCUBjFGTrX9t1wPUDBufNsny3NHn1Cl?rdid=9tfpdolP5T094hOL#>

18 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with illegal gear/ Off Talibon, Bohol, Philippines/ DB200825

On 18 Aug, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested three fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear off Talibon, Bohol, Philippines.

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

<https://www.facebook.com/100021732841242/posts/1698772867523792/?rdid=JTEL9yUE3D5AUI6#>

17 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel, License of Fishermen and Fishing Above Quota/ Off Pontian Beach, Malaysia/ DB200825

On 17 Aug, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested six fishermen due to license of fishing vessel, license of fishermen and fishing above quota off Pontian Beach, Malaysia.

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

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/16eKxL2vQL/>

20 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 4 Fishermen arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear and License of Fishermen/ Off Gunsan, ROK/ DB210825

On 20 Aug, local authorities arrested four fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear and license of fishermen off Gunsan, ROK.

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

<https://n.news.naver.com/mnews/article/421/0008439665?sid=102>

19 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Sri Lankan Fishing Vessel Detained/ 6 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Kaafu Atoll, Maldives/ DB210825

On 19 Aug, local authorities detained a Sri Lankan fishing vessel and arrested six foreign fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Kaafu Atoll, Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.mndf.gov.mv/mndf/en/news-article-dhiv.php?article=5687>

<https://psmnews.mv/en/163435>

Out of Reporting Period:

15 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 3 Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Kuala Kurau, Malaysia/ DB180825

On 15 Aug, local authorities detained a two fishing vessels and arrested three fishermen due to license of fishermen off Kuala Kurau, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2025/08/17/mmea-seizes-two-trawlers-in-kuala-kurau-for-multiple-offences>

12 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Cajidiocan, Philippines/ DB200825

On 12 Aug, local authorities detained a fishing vessel and arrested two fishermen due to license of fishermen off Cajidiocan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story\\_fbid=pfbid02icijf9WRydB2SJntqJi6g7y9CiNng71fDfTLQnep9bYmx25c87poNbABQRQRrAJMDl&id=100082570026968](https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=pfbid02icijf9WRydB2SJntqJi6g7y9CiNng71fDfTLQnep9bYmx25c87poNbABQRQRrAJMDl&id=100082570026968)

09 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 5 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Cobourg Marine Park, Australia/ DB210825

On 9 Aug, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested five Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas at Cobourg Marine Park, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Australia Maritime Border Command

09 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 7 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB210825

On 9 Aug, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested seven Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

08 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 4 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB210825

On 8 Aug, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested four Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

08 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 4 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Cobourg Marine Park, Australia/ DB210825

On 8 Aug, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested four Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas at Cobourg Marine Park, Australia.

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

01 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 6 Indonesian Fishermen Released/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Valencia Island, Australia/ DB210825

On 1 Aug, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and released six Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Valencia Island, Australia.

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

01 Aug - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 6 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB210825

On 1 Aug, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested six Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

30 Jul - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 6 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Croker Island, Australia/ DB210825

On 30 Jul, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested six Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Croker Island, Australia.

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

23 Jul - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Disposed/ 5 Indonesian Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Northwest Australia, Australia/ DB210825

On 23 Jul, local authorities disposed a fishing vessel and arrested five Indonesian fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Northwest Australia, Australia.

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

10 Aug - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 12 Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Trincomalee, Sri Lanka/ DB220825

On 10 Aug, local authorities detained three fishing vessels and arrested 12 fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear off Trincomalee, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/08/21/202508211600/>

## SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

### Updates:

11 Aug - Drugs/ Cocaine (80kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Unknown to Australia/ Off Sydney, Australia/ DB140825

It was updated that the incident happened on 11 August 2025.

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

<https://www.afp.gov.au/news-centre/media-release/80kg-cocaine-interception-may-be-linked-larger-brisbane-seizure>

### Incidents:

16 Aug - Fuel/ Petrol (14 Gallons)/ Small Boat/ Off Matakong Island, Malaysia/ DB180825

On 16 Aug, local authorities seized 14 gallons of petrol from a small boat off Matakong Island, Malaysia.

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

[https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/pgs-gagalkan-cubaan-seludup-petrol-ke-negara-jiran/?fbclid=IwY2xjawMPW21leHRuA2FlbQlxMABicmlkETFsMDZZWWRuNUhUaTJSbWx6AR5hB98hUiKILBaMgqgLvQnquR52avLbF90DgC8naDKmVF3rLgEnuE5HlP9yA\\_aem\\_gjX0JlHW7J2Pch6TCGZ61Q](https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/pgs-gagalkan-cubaan-seludup-petrol-ke-negara-jiran/?fbclid=IwY2xjawMPW21leHRuA2FlbQlxMABicmlkETFsMDZZWWRuNUhUaTJSbWx6AR5hB98hUiKILBaMgqgLvQnquR52avLbF90DgC8naDKmVF3rLgEnuE5HlP9yA_aem_gjX0JlHW7J2Pch6TCGZ61Q)

16 Aug - Natural Resources/ Sand (630 Tons)/ 2 Unknown Vessels/ Off Dong Thap Province, Vietnam/ DB190825

On 16 Aug, local authorities seized 630 tons of sand from two unknown vessels off Dong Thap Province, Vietnam.

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

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/bdbp-tinh-dong-thap-tam-giu-2-phuong-tien-co-dau-hieu-khai-thac-van-chuyen-cat-trai-phep-post493478.html>

18 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (42kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ To Malaysia/ Off Investigator Shoal, South China Sea/ DB200825

On 18 Aug, local authorities seized 42kg of meth from a fishing vessel off Investigator Shoal, South China Sea.

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

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2025/08/19/abandoned-drug-laden-vessel-drifts-into-naval-outpost-off-sabah>

19 Aug - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (367 Master Cases and 35 Cartons)/ 2 Small Boats/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Sta Cruz Island, Zamboanga, Philippines/ DB210825

On 19 Aug, local authorities seized 367 master cases and 35 cartons of cigarettes from two small boats off Sta Cruz Island, Zamboanga, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1257018>

21 Aug - Drugs/ Heroin (1.175kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Payagala, Sri Lanka/ DB220825

On 21 Aug, local authorities seized 1.175kg of heroin from an unknown vessel off Payagala, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=111717>

19 Aug - Natural Resources/ Fresh Betel Nuts (25,000kg)/ Small Boat/ From Myanmar to Thailand/ Off Ranong, Thailand/ DB220825

On 19 Aug, local authorities seized 25,000kg of fresh betel nuts from a small boat off Ranong, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/19drwPZrWF/>

Out of Reporting Period:

14 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (118kg)/ Ashore/ Shore of Sisiman Mariveles, Bataan, Philippines/ DB180825

On 14 Aug, local authorities seized 118kg of meth ashore at Shore of Sisiman Mariveles, Bataan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://pia.gov.ph/bataan-police-seize-p802-m-suspected-shabu-in-mariveles/>

13 Aug - Fuel/ Diesel (20,000 Litres)/ Tanker/ Off Songkhla Naval Base Pier, Thailand/ DB180825

On 13 Aug, local authorities seized 20,000 litres of diesel from a tanker off Songkhla Naval Base Pier, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/THAIMECC/posts/pfbid02rhZSufs79Vaq5ME37jAfNvhip7TS9hT8cmqQV2jSvoG3AagL3AWy5JQvSxUGpAXCl>

11 Aug - Domestic Products/ Beef Offal (140 Tons)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Wenzhou, Fujian, China/ DB180825

On 11 Aug, local authorities seized 140 tons of beef offal from an unknown vessel off Wenzhou, Fujian, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1840434041599795153&wfr=spider&for=pc>

11 Aug - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (28,000 Cartons)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Yachengwan, Ningde, Fujian Province, China/ DB190825

On 11 Aug, local authorities seized 28,000 cartons of cigarettes from an unknown vessel off Yachengwan, Ningde, Fujian Province, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://m.thepaper.cn/baijiahao\\_31418567](https://m.thepaper.cn/baijiahao_31418567)

09 Aug - Domestic Products/ Fish (793 Tons)/ Container Vessel/ From China to Philippines/ Manila Port, Philippines/ DB190825

On 9 Aug, local authorities seized 793 tons of fish from a container vessel at Manila Port, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://manilastandard.net/news/314627858/p200m-worth-of-smuggled-frozen-mackerel-seized-in-port-of-manila.html#google\\_vignette](https://manilastandard.net/news/314627858/p200m-worth-of-smuggled-frozen-mackerel-seized-in-port-of-manila.html#google_vignette)

08 Aug - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (100 Cases)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Basilan, Philippines/ DB190825

On 8 Aug, local authorities seized 100 cases of cigarettes from a fishing vessel off Basilan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://manilastandard.net/news/314629789/navy-seizes-%e2%82%b116-4m-in-smuggled-tobacco-off-basilan.html>

01 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (82g)/ Small Boat/ From Unknown to Maldives/ Off Maamendhoo, Maldives/ DB190825

On 1 Aug, local authorities seized 82 grams of cannabis from a small boat off Maamendhoo, Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.sun.mv/97877>

15 Aug - Domestic Products and Drugs/ Alcohol (13.61 Tons), Meth (Unknown)/ Passenger Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Bolok Port, Indonesia/ DB200825

On 15 Aug, local authorities seized 13.61 tons of alcohol and an unknown quantity of meth from a passenger vessel at Bolok Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/85124/TNI-AL-GAGALKAN-PEREDARAN-13,61-TON-MIRAS-ILEGAL-ANTAR-PULAU-MELALUI-PELABUHAN-BOLOK-KUPANG/>

13 Aug - Domestic Products/ Fish (2,430kg)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Fujian Province, China/ DB200825

On 13 Aug, local authorities seized 2,430kg of fish from a fishing vessel off Fujian Province, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.chinanews.com.cn/sh/shipin/cns-d/2025/08-13/news1027489.shtml>

12 Aug - Fuel/ Gasoline (9,725 Litres)/ 2 Small boats/ Off Bongao, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB200825

On 12 Aug, local authorities seized 9,725 litres of gasoline from two small boats off Bongao, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/tawitawi.marpsta/posts/pfbid02uuKyN7b3pfA9P567Zz4tUHxR222bizeWh1vbeGsQSoUbaypjNiovGfSujfu5ua7rl?rdid=ICTfXPZVlCdTmkev#>

11 Aug - Drugs/ Heroin (7.6kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Thailand to Hong Kong/ Hong Kong/ DB200825

On 11 Aug, local authorities seized 7.6kg of heroin from a container vessel off Hong Kong.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index\\_id\\_4742.html?p=1&y=&m=](https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/customs-announcement/press-release/index_id_4742.html?p=1&y=&m=)

10 Aug - Domestic Products/ Clothes (755 Bales)/ Cargo Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Tanjung Priok Port, Indonesia/ DB200825

On 10 Aug, local authorities seized 755 bales of clothes from a cargo vessel at Tanjung Priok Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.msn.com/id-id/berita/nasional/bea-cukai-gagalkan-penyelundupan-peti-kemas-berisi-baju-bekas-senilai-rp-15-miliar/ar-AA1KvYKW?ocid=BingNewsSerp>

10 Aug - Domestic Products/ Clothes (10,000 Packages)/ 2 Cargo Vessels/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Taman Raja Port, Indonesia/ DB200825

On 10 Aug, local authorities seized 10,000 packages of clothes from two cargo vessels at Taman Raja Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.msn.com/id-id/berita/nasional/bea-cukai-gagalkan-penyelundupan-ribuan-koli-pakaian-bekas-dari-malaysia-senilai-rp-30-miliar/ar-AA1KrZLx?ocid=BingNewsSerp>

07 Aug - Drugs/ Cannabis (30kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Malaysia/ Off Kuala Perlis, Malaysia/ DB200825

On 7 Aug, local authorities seized 30kg of cannabis from an unknown vessel off Kuala Perlis, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.kosmo.com.my/2025/08/18/sindiket-bungkus-bunga-ganja-macam-serunding/?fbclid=IwY2xjawMQ8RJleHRuA2FlbQlMQABHmU6X\\_\\_FltGQyBLi9lk0pr2BqXzYbkRTsEKa1vrBuC-P-YQAI6ouuOqWg-fo\\_aem\\_Y8dJ-JE28bQ0rSvIPbCN6A](https://www.kosmo.com.my/2025/08/18/sindiket-bungkus-bunga-ganja-macam-serunding/?fbclid=IwY2xjawMQ8RJleHRuA2FlbQlMQABHmU6X__FltGQyBLi9lk0pr2BqXzYbkRTsEKa1vrBuC-P-YQAI6ouuOqWg-fo_aem_Y8dJ-JE28bQ0rSvIPbCN6A)

15 Jun - Drugs/ Meth (390kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Iran to Australia/ Off Sydney, Australia/ DB200825

On 15 Jun, local authorities seized 390kg of meth from a container vessel off Sydney, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.abf.gov.au/newsroom-subsite/Pages/Iranian-national-charged-in-relation-to-failed-390kg-meth-import.aspx>

IFC Comments:

According to ABF, the shipment arrived 'in June'. Incident date of 15 June is indicative only.

08 Aug - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (833kg)/ 2 Small Boats/ Off Negombo Lagoon, Sri Lanka/ DB220825

On 8 Aug, local authorities seized 833kg of kendu leaves from two small boats off Negombo Lagoon, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/08/21/202508211530/>

15 Apr - Drugs/ Meth (350kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Middle East to Australia/ Off Sydney, Australia/ DB220825

On 15 Apr, local authorities seized 350kg of meth from a container vessel off Sydney, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.afp.gov.au/news-centre/media-release/public-assistance-sought-after-350kg-methamphetamine-seized-sydney>

IFC Comments:

Date of incident is indicative only - APF report the container as arriving "in April ".



## SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

### Incidents:

16 Aug - Human Trafficking/ Small Boat/ 8 Filipinos/ Mapun, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/ DB180825

On 16 Aug, local authorities rescued eight filipinos from a small boat at Mapun, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

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

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid02ZZrfLMtg58nXD8mdokZFT8PNPen8qLNN9FKHTEYKXeqsaspUUfRYdtr1yNHVxRI?rdid=GoKnWSc6l5crQVLW#>

19 Aug - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 2 Indonesian Migrants/ West Dumai Pier, Indonesia/ DB200825

On 19 Aug, local authorities arrested two Indonesian migrants from a small boat at West Dumai Pier, Indonesia.

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

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/571/gagalkan-penyelundupan-polairud-baharkam-polri-amankan-2-pmi-ilegal-di-dumai>

18 Aug - Illegal Documentation/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Thai Nationals/ Off Tanjung Tembeling, Malaysia/ DB200825

On 18 Aug, local authorities arrested three Thai nationals from a fishing vessel off Tanjung Tembeling, Malaysia.

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

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1CKorXQze2/>

17 Aug - Irregular Human Migration/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Vietnamese Migrants/ Off Incheon, ROK/ DB200825

On 17 Aug, local authorities arrested two Vietnamese migrants from a fishing vessel off Incheon, ROK.

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

<https://n.news.naver.com/mnews/article/003/0013427255?sid=102>

Out of Reporting Period:

14 Aug - Human Trafficking/ Small Boat/ 20 Filipinos/ Mapun, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines/  
DB180825

On 14 Aug, local authorities rescued 20 filipinos from a small boat at Mapun, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/cgs.mapun.3/posts/pfbid0S7iKcPfY78RP9oP4ohdC3hK8Qq75h9RkDxMjAgVTzG4Df7GZ5Z9qvc7cKLNRTXGel?rdid=D0mlkgS5c81kgGB6#>



## SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

### Incidents:

#### Out of Reporting Period:

14 Aug - MARPOL/ Liquid (Oil Leak)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Jeju-do, ROK/ DB200825

On 14 Aug, there was a spill of oil from a fishing vessel off Jeju-do, ROK.

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

<https://n.news.naver.com/mnews/article/056/0012009153?sid=102>

<https://app.spectator.earth/channels?&@33.2092927,126.2576063,10z>



## SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

### Incidents:

#### Out of Reporting Period:

06 Aug - Jamming/ GNSS, AIS/ 98 Unknown Vessels/ Nakhodka Bay, Russia/ DB180825

On 6 Aug, 98 unknown vessels experienced disruption to AIS at Nakhodka Bay, Russia.

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

<https://www.lloydlist.com/LL1154502/Russia%e2%80%99s-far-east-ports-go-dark-in-AIS-interference-outbreak>



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

### 2025

IFC Infographic on CCTV Footage and Photo Evidence of Sea Robbery Incidents in the Singapore Strait

IFC Recommended Measures to Deter Unauthorised Boardings in Singapore Strait

IFC Spot Commentary 02/25 – Phillip Channel - 3 TRAPS Incidents in One Night on 5 Jun 2025

IFC Spot Commentary 01/25 – Observations of TRAPS Incidents in the Phillip Channel in 2025

### 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 Lane 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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