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



For the period of 22 - 28 Feb 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	7	2-5
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	6
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	15	7-10
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	19	11-14
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	17	15-18
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	5	19-20
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	1	21
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	22
Others	0	0	23

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

Incident:

22 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Madeira-Flagged/ No injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB240225

- 1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Madeira-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°02'45.0"N 103°39'13.8"E) on 22 Feb 2025, at 03:10 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted three perpetrators (reportedly armed with gun-like object and knives) in the engine room.
- 2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and engine spare parts were reported missing. 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)

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

26 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Marshall Islands-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB260225

- 1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°06'24.0"N 103°44'28.8"E) on 26 Feb 2025, at 05:20 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted five perpetrators (reportedly unarmed) at the quarter-deck, who fled upon being discovered.
- 2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and nothing was reported missing. 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

28 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Tanker, Singapore-Flagged/ Minor Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB280225

- 1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Singapore-flagged tanker, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°09'04.0"N 103°46'25.0"E) on 28 Feb 2025, at around 07:05 (UTC +8).
- 2. Ship master reported that one crew member sustained injury to his face and CASEVAC is in progress.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Maritime Port Authority (MPA) - Port Operations Control Centre (POCC) https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/one-crew-member-injured-after-unauthorised-boarding-of-vessel-in-spore-strait

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

28 Feb - Boarding/Sea Theft/Bulk Carrier Barbados-Flagged/No Injury/Underway/Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/DB280225

- 1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Barbados-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°05'16.2"N 103°43'16.2"E) on 28 Feb 2025, at 01:22 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted five perpetrators with gun-like objects in the steering gear room.
- 2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and was unable to determine if items were stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, Vietnam.

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

28 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Bahamas-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB280225

- 1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Bahamas-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°06'22.2"N 103°44'00.0"E) on 28 Feb 2025, at 00:30 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted six perpetrators armed with hammers in the engine room.
- 2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and was unable to determine if items were 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)

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details

Out of Reporting Period:

19 Feb - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Unmanned Oil Rig, Malaysian-flagged/ No injury/ Anchored/ Off Terengganu, Malaysia/ DB240225

Two auxiliary police successfully assisted the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) Terengganu in apprehending seven Indonesian intruders at an unmanned oil rig.

The team stormed the platform, and seven Indonesian intruders were successfully apprehended at 12:23 (UTC +8) on 19 Feb. An inspection of the oil rig found that the rig was in disarray due to being dismantled, with traces of cut cables, piled-up batteries, food containers and equipment used, namely cable cutters, a set of wrenches and ropes.

The suspects were brought back to the MMEA base in Kuala Terengganu for investigation and further action.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.mmea.gov.my/index.php/ms/allcategories-ms-my/12-berita-utama/2515-tujuh-warga-indonesia-ceroboh-pelantar-minyak-ditahan-maritim-malaysia

- 16 Feb Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Norway-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB240225
- 1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Norway-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (1°02.72N 103°41.23E) on 16 Feb 2025, at 02:00 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted four perpetrators (reportedly armed with knives) in the engine room.
- 2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and some spare parts were 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)

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:

23 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Palawan, Philippines/ DB250225

On 23 Feb, a small boat went adrift due to equipment failure off Palawan, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1F9kcynMho/

24 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Bohol, Philippines/ DB260225

On 24 Feb, a small boat sunk due to equipment failure off Bohol, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1AAwjHwXXe/

24 Feb - Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Oriental Mindoro, Philippines/ DB260225

On 24 Feb, a small boat was adrift due to unknown reason off Oriental Mindoro, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/19xeVcjFZv/

25 Feb - Equipment Failure/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 24 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Sitio Ipil, Barangay Lonos, Romblon, Philippines/ DB270225

On 25 Feb, a small boat experienced equipment failure due to unknown causes off Sitio Ipil, Barangay Lonos, Romblon, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 24 rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=pfbid075W9zR9k2Pkx6EcCSbvnxS4 y7hyYVuu5bPeouDo5p6fxXVYBBNAnP3cFCgxp42fwl&id=100082570026968

25 Feb - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Off Sinan-gun, Jeollanam-do, ROK/ DB270225

On 25 Feb, a fishing vessel caught fire due to unknown causes off Sinan-gun, Jeollanam-do, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=133686

27 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Phuket, Thailand/ DB280225

On 27 Feb, a small boat was adrift due to equipment failure off Phuket, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/18SyGxFm5d/

24 Feb - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ Cargo Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Thanh Hoa, Vietnam/ DB280225

On 24 Feb, a cargo vessel caught fire due to equipment failure off Thanh Hoa, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/tau-hang-gap-su-co-tren-bien-2-thuyen-vien-duoc-dua-di-cap-cuu-kip-thoi-post487022.html

Out of Reporting Period:

20 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Zambales, Philippines/ DB240225

On 20 Feb, a small boat was adrift due to equipment failure off Zambales, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid0Q9bmKdP1RY9fYMxe3DUnb5kErA3bFk8pNHQrL6NxPvFpJcCJo22BLA8McCtMQzUpl

20 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad weather/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 2 Missing, 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nha Trang City, Vietnam/ DB240225

On 20 Feb, a fishing vessel sunk due to bad weather off Nha Trang City, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were two missing and four rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bienphong.com.vn/no-luc-tim-kiem-2-thuyen-vien-mat-tich-trong-vu-chim-tau-ca-tren-bien-post486881.html

09 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Oil Tanker/ Off Yeongdo-Gu, Busan, ROK/DB240225

On 9 Feb, an oil tanker sunk due to unknown causes off Yeongdo-Gu, Busan, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20250209_0003058555

18 Feb - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Santolo Beach, Indonesia/ DB250225

On 18 Feb, a fishing vessel sunk due to bad weather off Santolo Beach, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.pikiran-rakyat.com/news/pr-019081967/diterjang-ombak-besar-kapal-nelayan-karam-di-perairan-pantai-santolo-empat-awak-selamat

04 Feb - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 20 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Merbu Island, Indonesia/ DB250225

On 4 Feb, a small boat ran aground due to unknown causes off Merbu Island, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were 20 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.detik.com/sumut/hukum-dan-kriminal/d-7763876/20-wn-bangladesh-terdampar-di-perairan-meranti-akibat-kapal-tenggelam

21 Feb - Collision-Grounding/ Equipment Failure/ Small Boat/ Tanjung Kalian Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 21 Feb, a small boat collided with the jetty due to equipment failure at Tanjung Kalian Port. Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://timelines.id/2025/02/21/kapal-express-bahari-tabrak-dermaga-tanjung-kalian-handle-engine-diduga-jadi-penyebabnya/#google_vignettee

20 Feb - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Samut Prakan, Thailand/ DB260225

On 20 Feb, a fishing vessel was detained due to unauthorized operation off Samut Prakan, Thailand.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/thaimecc1/posts/pfbid027cjaGDYikLjXZGUi7DMVSjtWyzQQRGQG1qrYev6dF8ZqrNf3sdtmYmWKzGVXQmS8l?rdid=v0d4kUPeqva6tTYv#

19 Feb - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Malacca Strait, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 19 Feb, a fishing vessel was adrift due to equipment failure in Malacca Strait, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/80587/TIGA-NELAYAN-RUPAT-YANG-HILANG-KONTAK-DI-LAUT-BERHASIL-DISELAMATKAN-TNI-AL-BERSAMA-TIM-SAR-GABUNGAN-DI-PERAIRAN-SELAT-MALAKA/

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

Incidents:

23 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 5 Indian Fishing Vessels Detained/ 32 Indian Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 23 Feb, local authorities detained five Indian fishing vessels and arrested 32 Indian fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/02/23/202502231330/

22 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Quezon, Philippines/ DB240225

On 22 Feb, local authorities detained two fishing vessels and arrested six local fishermen due to license of fishing vessel off Quezon, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/162fFKCQRz/

24 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia/ DB250225

On 24 Feb, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested 3 foreign fishermen due to illegal fishing off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Cb71nL2wF/

25 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Koh Kood, Thailand/ DB260225

On 25 Feb, local authorities detained a Vietnamese fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing in prohibited areas off Koh Kood, Thailand.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/165H2hfp24/

25 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Trawler Detained/ 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Bagan Panchor, Malaysia/ DB260225

On 25 Feb, local authorities detained a local trawler and arrested three foreign fishermen due to license of fishermen off Bagan Panchor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1YLNPougg5/

25 Feb - Poaching/ Unreported Fishing/ 1 Chinese Fishing Vessel Released/ 8 Chinese Fishermen Released/ Misreporting Catches/ Off Eocheong-do, Okdo-do, Gunsan-si, ROK/DB270225

On 25 Feb, local authorities released a Chinese fishing vessel and eight Chinese fishermen due to misreporting catches off Eocheong-do, Okdo-do, Gunsan-si, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=133719

24 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 4 Fishing Vessels Detained/ Illegal Carrying of Vessel Monitoring System/ Off Dokdo, ROK/ DB270225

On 24 Feb, local authorities detained four fishing vessels due to illegal carrying of vessel monitoring system off Dokdo, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=133699

27 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/Fishing with Illegal Gear/Off Semporna, Sabah, Celebes Sea/DB280225

On 27 Feb, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel due to fishing with illegal gear off Semporna, Sabah, Celebes Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1DqtE3Ld4P/

26 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 8 Thai Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen and Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Pulau Songsong, Kedah, Malaysia/ DB280225

On 26 Feb, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested eight Thai fishermen due to license of fishermen and fishing in prohibited areas off Pulau Songsong, Kedah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15mJ4aRAgT/

Out of Reporting Period:

21 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia/ DB240225

On 21 Feb, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested three foreign fishermen due to license of fishermen off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1BaLH2Fded/

19 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Small Boats Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Detained/ License of Fishermen/ Off Chilaw, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 19 Feb, local authorities detained two local small boats and arrested six local fishermen due to license of fishermen off Chilaw, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/02/21/202502211100/

19 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Small Boat Detained/ 1 Local Fisherman Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Mullaiyan, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 19 Feb, local authorities detained a local small boat and arrested a local fisherman due to license of fishermen off Mullaiyan, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/02/21/202502211100/

19 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Indian Fishing Vessels Detained/ 10 Indian Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 19 Feb, local authorities detained three Indian fishing vessels and arrested ten Indian fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Mannar, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/02/20/202502200930/

16 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/ 8 Local Small Boats Detained/ 6 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Mullaitivu, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 16 Feb, local authorities detained eight local small boats and arrested six local fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear off Mullaitivu, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/02/21/202502211100/

16 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Small Boat Detained/ 3 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Anawasala, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 16 Feb, local authorities detained a local small boat and arrested three local fishermen due to license of fishermen off Anawasala, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/02/21/202502211100/

15 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 11 Local Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Albay, Philippines/ DB240225

On 15 Feb, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested 11 local fishermen due to license of fishermen off Albay, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15ezxAkuYn/

15 Feb - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fisherman Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Trincomalee, Sri Lanka/ DB240225

On 15 Feb, local authorities arrested a local fisherman due to fishing with illegal gear off Albay, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15ezxAkuYn/

19 Feb - Local/Illegal Fishing/Local Fishing Vessel Detained/17 Local Fishermen Arrested/Seizure of Illegal Fishing Gear/Off Pagbilao, Philippines/DB250225

On 19 Feb, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested 17 local fishermen due to illegal fishing off Pagbilao, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/HCGDSTL/posts/pfbid02uDaoHVAEeGBSCUMTd8K2mgnvpRE6 1zAaQK2XkKjSKcpjshZh4dR2Sp8FDJainp4Al?rdid=sULCb89jD98p6qym

13 Feb - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ Foreign Fishing Vessel/ 10 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Barren Island, Andaman Sea/ DB250225

On 13 Feb, local authorities detained a foreign fishing vessel and arrested 10 foreign fishermen off Barren Island, Andaman Sea.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Cb71nL2wF/

SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

23 Feb - Fuel/ Gasoline (10,000 litres)/ Small Boat/ From Sabah, North Borneo to Philippines/ Off Tawi Tawi, Philippines/ DB250225

On 23 Feb, local authorities seized 10,000 litres of gasoline from a small boat off Tawi Tawi, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid04wYnCgcEoe7SGwTxNnLt17ba6myZ7zEGZeZDu6LGmo7mW2n398wozKa5oToFzEtWl

25 Feb - Drugs/ Ecstasy (60,000 pills)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Tanjung Batu, Indonesia/ DB280225

On 25 Feb, local authorities seized 60,000 pills of ecstasy from a small boat off Tanjung Batu, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://tni.mil.id/view-252860-tim-f-1-qr-lanal-tbk-gagalkan-penyelundupan-60-000-butir-narkotika-jenis-ekstasi.html

25 Feb - Drugs/ Methamphetamine (8kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Tanjung Leidong, Indonesia/ DB280225

On 25 Feb, local authorities seized 8kg of methamphetamine from a small boat off Tanjung Leidong, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.metrotvnews.com/play/KdZCjEz1-polisi-ringkus-pengedar-narkoba-di-perairan-tanjung-leidong-sumut

Out of Reporting Period:

22 Feb - Wildlife/ Chicks (1,000)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ LLASDP Port, Ambon, Indonesia/ DB280225

On 22 Feb, local authorities seized 1,000 chicks off a small boat at LLASDP Port, Ambon, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.malukuterkini.com/2025/02/24/seribu-ekor-doc-gagal-berlayar/

21 Feb - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (93 boxes)/ Small Boat/ Off Palawan, Philippines/ DB240225

On 21 Feb, local authorities seized 93 boxes of cigarettes from a small boat off Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/pangalawangsou.mg/posts/pfbid02F5Xvt9vU34hA6tzybr8c32A5mewMK45QxV56W4PWezGAasB9Kbd8kYmRnJxQS7mnl

21 Feb - Domestic Products/ URE Nitrogen Fertilizer (100 tonnes)/ Barge/ To Vietnam/ Off Kien Giang Province, Vietnam/ DB240225

On 21 Feb, local authorities seized 100 tonnes of URE nitrogen fertilizer from a barge off Kien Giang Province, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12715/81

21 Feb - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (45 master cases)/ Small Boat/ 3 Suspects Arrested/ Off Bagaan Island, Philippines/ DB250225

On 21 Feb, local authorities seized 45 master cases of cigarettes from a small boat off Bagaan Island, Philippines.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1AJ9SExufp/

20 Feb - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (45 boxes)/ Small Boat/ Off Zamboanga Sibugay, Philippines/ DB240225

On 20 Feb, local authorities seized 45 boxes of cigarettes from a small boat off Zamboanga Sibugay, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Emwc1bXVj/

18 Feb - Natural Resources/ Sand (350 m³)/ Dredger/ Off Tien Giang Province, Vietnam/ DB240225

On 18 Feb, local authorities seized 350 m³ of sand from a dredger off Tien Giang Province, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://canhsatbien.vn/thuc-thi-phap-luat/12710/8

17 Feb - Drugs/ Methamphetamine (20kg)/ Small Boat/ 2 Suspects Arrested/ Off Pambang, Indonesia/ DB250225

On 17 Feb, local authorities seized 20 kg of methamphetamine from a small boat off Pambang, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.beacukai.go.id/berita/tim-gabungan-bea-cukai-dan-polri-kembali-gagalkan-upaya-penyelundupan-20-kilogram-sabu-di-kabupaten-bengkalis.html

17 Feb - Wildlife/ Dogs (3)/ Cargo Vessel/ At Ende Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 17 Feb, local authorities seized three dogs from a cargo vessel at Ende Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.malukuterkini.com/2025/02/19/barantin-tahan-anjing-tanpa-dokumen/

16 Feb - Wildlife/Juvenile Shrimps (165,000)/ Domestic Smuggling/ At Bakauheni Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 16 Feb, local authorities seized 165,000 juvenile shrimps at Bakauheni Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://lampung.antaranews.com/berita/764301/balai-karantina-lampung-gagalkan-penyelundupan-16-juta-udang-windu-di-bakauheni

15 Feb - Wildlife/ Goats (19)/ Domestic Smuggling/ At Ketapang Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 15 Feb, local authorities seized 19 goats at Ketapang Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://surabaya.jatimtimes.com/baca/331609/20250216/024100/antisipasi-pmk-barantin-gagalkan-penyelundupan-19-ekor-kambing-tujuan-bali

15 Feb - Alcohol/ Liquor (750 Litres)/ At Melonguane Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 15 Feb, local authorities seized 750 litres of liquor at Melonguane Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.mahesamediacenter.com/2025/02/16/polres-kepulauan-talaud-melalui-satuan-reserse-narkoba-amankan-ratusan-liter-captikus-di-pelabuhan-ferry-melonguane/

11 Feb - Wildlife/ White Eagles (2)/ Domestic Smuggling/ At Pangkal Balam Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 11 Feb, local authorities seized two white eagles at Pangkal Balam Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.bacayuk.id/content/read/karantina-babel-gagalkan-penyelundupan-elang-laut-dada-putih

05 Feb - Wildlife/ Lobster Seeds (11,543)/ Passenger Ferry/ To Indonesia/ At Sekupang International Port, Batam, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 5 Feb, local authorities seized 11,543 lobster seeds from a passenger ferry at Sekupang International Port, Batam, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://polrestabarelangbatam.id/berita-read/upaya-penyelundupan-benih-lobster-digagalkan-satreskrim-polresta-barelang-di-pelabuhan-internasional-sekupang-batam

01 Feb - Wildlife/ Pangolin Scales (30kg)/ Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Indragiri Regency, Riau, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 1 Feb, local authorities seized 30kg of pangolin scales from a passenger vessel off Indragiri Regency, Riau, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://ppid.menlhk.go.id/berita/siaran-pers/7997/gakkum-kehutanan-kembali-tetapkan-tersangka-baru-pemilik-30-kg-sisik-trenggiling-di-tembilahan-riau

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Out of Reporting Period:

31 Jan - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 25 Indonesian Migrants/ Off Kelang, Indonesia/ DB250225

On 31 Jan, local authorities arrested 25 Indonesian migrants from a small boat off Kelang Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.hariansib.com/v1/Kriminal/419573/polres-sergai-amankan-tekong-dan-2-abk-yang-diduga-selundupkan-25-pekerja-migran-ilegal/

21 Feb - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 22 Indonesian Migrants Arrested/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Somel Port, Nunukan Regency, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 21 Feb, local authorities arrested 22 Indonesian migrants off a small boat at Somel Port, Nunukan Regency, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/80578/TIM-SFQR-TNI-AL-BERSAMA-TIM-GABUNGAN-BERHASIL-GAGALKAN-UPAYA-PENYELUNDUPAN-22-CPMI-NON-PROOSEDURAL-TUJUAN-MALAYSIA-DI-NUNUKAN/

10 Feb - Irregular Human Migration/ 7 Indonesian Migrants Arrested/ From Indonesia to Abu Dhabi/ Batam Center International Ferry Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 10 Feb, local authorities arrested seven Indonesian migrants at Batam Center International Ferry Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://medianesia.id/polda-kepri-gagalkan-pengiriman-7-pmi-ilegal-ke-abu-dhabi/#google_vignette

09 Feb - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Indonesian Migrant Arrested/ From Indonesia to Singapore/ Sri Bintan Pura Port, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 9 Feb, local authorities arrested an Indonesian migrant at Sri Bintan Pura Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.antaranews.com/berita/4640589/kp2mi-bp3mi-kepri-cegah-keberangkatan-1-cpmi-ilegal-ke-singapura

04 Feb - Irregular Human Migration/ Unknown Vessel/ 20 Bangladeshi Migrants Arrested/ From Indonesia/ Off Merbau Island, Indonesia/ DB260225

On 4 Feb, local authorities arrested 20 Bangladeshi migrants off an unknown vessel off Merbau Island, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.detik.com/sumut/hukum-dan-kriminal/d-7763876/20-wn-bangladesh-terdampar-di-perairan-meranti-akibat-kapal-tenggelam

SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Out of Reporting Period:

09 Feb - Maritime Pollution/Oil Spill/Oil Tanker/Off Yeondogu-Busan, ROK/DB240225

On 9 Feb, there was an oil spill from an oil tanker off Yeondogu-Busan, ROK.

News Link(s)/Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20250209_0003058555

https://n.news.naver.com/mnews/article/022/0004013017?sid=102

IFC Comments:

This ENVSEC incident is associated with the MI incident in this location also published 24 Feb 2025.

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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