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



For the period of 23 – 30 May 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	3	2-3
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	4
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	14	5-8
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	8	9-11
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	1	18	12-16
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	4	17-19
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	3	20
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	1	21
Others	0	0	22

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

Incidents:

25 May - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Malta-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB260525

1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Malta-flagged Bulk Carrier, as the vessel transited along Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (1°07'57.0"N 103°45'57.0"E) on 25 May, at 03:02 (UTC+8). Crew reportedly sighted three perpetrators on the poop deck.

2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for. 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.

Indonesian ILO updated that this incident has not been confirmed by the Indonesian Authority.

27 May - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Bulk Carrier, Malta-Flagged/ Minor Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB270525

1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving Malta-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (01°03.50'N 103°41.70'E) on 27 May, at 01:40 (UTC+8).

2. Crew reportedly sighted four perpetrators (one armed with a gun-like object, three with knives) onboard. The master sounded the alarm, and all crew were accounted for. One crew had minor head injury and no items stolen reported at this time. The vessel will continue her voyage to NPOC, Singapore

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details.

Indonesian ILO updated that the incident has not been confirmed by Indonesian Authority.

26 May - Boarding/ Sea Robbery/ Cargo Vessel/ Minor Injury/ Underway/ Pussur Channel, Bangladesh/ DB290525

On 26 May, a local Bangladeshi news portal reported that a general cargo vessel, Shejyoti, was robbed by a group of armed men near Mongla Port, Bangladesh. The incident occurred in the Base Creek area of the Pussur channel while the vessel was stranded after developing mechanical fault since June 2024.

The incident involved fourteen armed robbers who approached the vessel using a fishing trawler and tied up all seven crew members, including the chief officer. The pirates looted the vessel for nearly two hours and stole key equipment, fuel oil, food supplies, and personal belongings, including mobile phones. The stolen items are estimated to be worth US \$45,500.

In the robbery, three crew members were injured and received medical aid aboard the vessel.

A formal complaint has been submitted, and the Coast Guard has launched an operation to recover the stolen goods and apprehend the culprits. Mongla Port authorities have also initiated an investigation.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2025/12111/armed-pirates-loot-stranded-vessel-at-mongla-port-in-banglad>



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

26 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Cargo Vessel Vs 1 Fishing Vessel/ 25 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Eocheong-do, ROK/ DB260525

On 26 May, a cargo vessel collided with a fishing vessel off Eocheong-do, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were 25 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://n.news.naver.com/article/003/0013264328?sid=102>

25 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Container Vessel/ 24 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kerala, India/ DB260525

On 25 May, a container vessel sank due to water ingress off Kerala, India. SAR was conducted and there were 24 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritimeneews/14/accidents/2025/12104/container-vessel-msc-elsa-3-carrying-hazardous-cargo-capsize>.

23 May - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Passenger Vessel & 1 Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Samudra Port, Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 23 May, a passenger vessel and fishing vessel caught on fire due to unknown causes in Samudra Port, Sumatra, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://posmetropadang.co.id/berita-utama/365127/2-kapal-terbakar-di-pelabuhan-samudera-bungus-satu-milik-pemkab-mentawai/>

25 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Ha Tinh, Vietnam/ DB270525

On 25 May, a fishing vessel capsized due to unknown causes off Ha Tinh, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were 10 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://baomoi.com/cuu-nan-thanh-cong-10-thuyen-vien-tau-cong-thanh-07-bi-chim-tai-vung-bien-ha-tinh-c52334866.epi?utm_source=zalo&utm_medium=msg&utm_campaign=zalo&p=1&g=1&zarsrc=33&zdlk=Uo9XRcHoRsb8ZeY0szjBcLmQl8i8cblSo8wUo9p0sXbRMLVTN9i8ZeYUc5iRoqsDJ4vDpaqDZ0wN2zSBo8i8c5mS6ba8ZeYDZKnEJSvD30s8drz&gidzl=1BwZ73F_Cp80gQSTCUamCW6dfHygvsK-6Q_s42_a03mPgF4JBESrQXhzyq8fipKy6Vdn5ZK5UAKOC_yoDG

25 May - Collision-Grounding/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ 10 Rescued/ Off Pulau Telang, Indonesia/ DB280525

On 25 May, a fishing vessel ran aground due to bad weather off Pulau Telang, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and 10 people were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://batam.tribunnews.com/2025/05/25/kronologi-kapal-ikan-bawa-10-pemancing-hanyut-gegara-badai-hingga-pulau-telang-bintan>

25 May - Equipment Failure/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ Off Krabi, Thailand/ DB280525

On 25 May, a cargo vessel experienced equipment failure due to unknown causes off Krabi, Thailand. SAR was conducted and two people were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1AWACKSHC1/>

28 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat Vs Small Boat/ 24 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Juju Myeongwol, Jeju, ROK/ DB290525

On 28 May, a small boat collided with another small boat due to unknown causes off Juju Myeongwol, Jeju, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were 24 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=138106>

29 May - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ 1 Rescued/ Off Sokcho, ROK/ DB300525

On 29 May, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Sokcho, ROK. SAR was conducted and there was one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20250529_0003195554

24 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Passenger Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ Off Puri Light House, Odisha, India/ DB300525

On 24 May, a passenger vessel capsized due to bad weather off Puri Light House, Odisha, India. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kolkata/cab-chief-wife-survive-boat-capsize-in-puri/articleshow/121419292.cms>

Out of Reporting Period:

21 May - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ In Mokpo Port, ROK/ DB260525

On 21 May, a small boat caught on fire due to unknown causes in Mokpo Port, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=137946>

08 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Barangay Espana, Philippines/ DB270525

On 8 May, a small boat capsized due to unknown causes off Barangay Espana, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 11 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HCGDSTL/posts/pfbid02RiQHsRj14TKPjQDAHFLGB2pecVTbiFMaaYcCnK5X5anurgzATpW5JzJ5P7PAYZ8Ll?rdid=rgGRbdCKC8MTLkVm>

19 May - Equipment Failure/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Pombo, Indonesia/ DB280525

On 19 May, a small boat experienced equipment failure due to bad weather off Pulau Pombo, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and five people were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.malukuterkini.com/2025/05/19/kecelakaan-laut-5-warga-dievakulasi-personel-polsek-leksula/>

16 May - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 11 Rescued/ Off Seram Island, Indonesia/ DB280525

On 16 May, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Seram Island, Indonesia. SAR was conducted and 11 people were rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://ameks.fajar.co.id/2025/05/23/seminggu-hilang-11-nelayan-asal-pasanea-ditemukan-selamat/>

10 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 226 Dead 21 Rescued/ Bay of Bengal/ DB280525

On 10 May, a small boat capsized due to bad weather in the Bay of Bengal. SAR was conducted, and there were 226 dead and 21 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.unhcr.org/news/press-releases/unhcr-fears-extreme-desperation-led-deaths-427-rohingya-sea>

IFC Comments:

Incident location provided is for indication only

09 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ 201 Dead 66 Rescued/ Gulf of Martaban/ DB280525

On 9 May, a small boat capsized due to bad weather in the Gulf of Martaban. SAR was conducted and there were 201 dead and 66 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.unhcr.org/news/press-releases/unhcr-fears-extreme-desperation-led-deaths-427-rohingya-sea>

IFC Comments:

Incident location provided is for indication only



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

Incidents:

24 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Labuan Bajo, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 24 May, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested one local fisherman due to fishing with illegal gear off Labuan Bajo, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://kupang.tribunnews.com/2025/05/24/diduga-tangkap-ikan-pakai-bom-nelayan-di-labuan-bajo-manggarai-barat-ditangkap-polisi>

23 May - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Foreign Fishing Vessel Detained/ 19 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel, Fishing with Illegal Gear/ North Natuna Sea, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 23 May, local authorities detained two foreign fishing vessel and arrested 19 foreign fishermen due to license of fishing vessel and fishing with illegal gear in North Natuna Sea, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://gokepri.com/berantas-illegal-fishing-kkp-tangkap-dua-kapal-vietnam-perusak-laut/>

23 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fisherman Arrested/ License of Fisherman/ Off Gunsan, ROK/ DB260525

On 23 May, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested one local fisherman due to license of fishermen off Gunsan, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=138010>

26 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Pantai Remis, Malaysia/ DB280525

On 26 May, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested three foreign fishermen due to license of fishermen off Pantai Remis, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1AKWj3Hhth/>

27 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 1 Local Fishermen Escaped/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Basilan, Philippines/ DB290525

On 27 May, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel due to fishing with illegal gear off Basilan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1C53RDzjEG/>

24 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Pulau Buloh, Malaysia/ DB290525

On 24 May, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Pulau Buloh, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02y3SbibCkUHVdGAGdVzAGzJnh6BZUnoAUrPCrccoRY6p6EjYtG7zq4Rd7n2m2RbcZl?rdid=C7BX7TPliRtWAnAC>



Out of Reporting Period:

22 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 21 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Tioman Island, Malaysia/ DB260525

On 22 May, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel and arrested 21 foreign fishermen due to license of fishermen off Tioman Island, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/16a1cKV1v3/>

16 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 17 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Pulau Pini, Nias, Indonesia/ DB290525

On 16 May, local authorities detained two local fishing vessels and arrested 17 local fishermen due to fishing with illegal gear off Pulau Pini, Nias, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://cakrawalasatu.com/lanal-nias-gagalkan-aksi-penangkapan-ikan-dengan-bom-di-pulau-pini-17-pelaku-diamankan/>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

28 May - Drugs/ Meth (503.6 kg), Heroin (275.5 kg)/ 2 Fishing Vessel/ Off Dikovita, Sri Lanka/ DB300525

On 28 May, local authorities seized 503.6 kg of meth and 275.5 kg of heroin from two fishing vessels off Dikovita, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2025/05/28/202505281600/>

26 May - Domestic Products/ Rubber (2,310 kg)/ Small Boat/ Off Ranong, Thailand/ DB300525

On 26 May, local authorities seized 2,310 kg of rubber from a small boat off Ranong, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/THAIMECC3/posts/pfbid0tMHtfzweFGVNfXbARSFHGzoRkoSpghbFpuq86ERvg4yxJ3LC9qsu844ip9MZwJql>

25 May - Fuel/ Diesel (70,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Tho Chu, Vietnam/ DB300525

On 25 May, local authorities seized 70,000 litres of diesel from a fishing vessel off Tho Chu, Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://canhsatbien.vn/tang-cuo%CC%80ng-xu%CC%89-ly%CC%81-ti%CC%80nh-tra%CC%A3ng-buon-la%CC%A3u-xang-da%CC%80u-tren-bie%CC%89n/12956/81>

24 May - Domestic Products/ Cement (340 Sacks)/ Small Boat/ In Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh/ DB300525

On 24 May, local authorities seized 340 sacks of cement from a small in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dhakapost.com/national/367725>

Out of Reporting Period:

22 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (12,500,000 Sticks)/ Container Vessel/ From Dubai to Bangladesh/ At Chattogram Port, Bangladesh/ DB260525

On 22 May, local authorities seized 12,500,000 sticks of cigarettes from a container vessel at Chattogram Port, Bangladesh

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/district/u08crr67ov>

22 May - Drugs/ Meth (1.5 kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Tanjung Balai Asahan, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 22 May, local authorities seized 1.5 kg of meth from a small boat off Tanjung Balai Asahan, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mistar.id/news/hukum-peristiwa/tni-al-gagalkan-penyelundupan-15-kg-sabu-di-perairan-tanjungbalai-asahan>

21 May - Drugs/ Meth (1,800 kg)/ Tanker/ Off Karimun, Indonesia/ DB270525

On 21 May, local authorities seized 1,800 kg of meth from a tanker off Karimun, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://batam.inews.id/read/597456/kronologi-kapal-mt-sea-dragon-digerebek-di-karimun-bawa-18-ton-sabu-dalam-tangki-pendingin>

19 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (2,700 Packets)/ Small Boat/ Off Pulau Tekong, Singapore/ DB270525

On 19 May, local authorities seized 2,700 packets of cigarettes from a small boat off Pulau Tekong, Singapore.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/courts-crime/4-men-accused-of-entering-spore-via-boat-allegedly-had-2700-packs-of-contraband-cigarettes>

16 May - Drugs/ Meth (300 kg)/ Small Boat/ Off Sungai Ayam, Malaysia/ DB270525

On 16 May, local authorities seized 300 kg of meth from a small boat off Sungai Ayam, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://selangorjournal.my/2025/05/mmea-foils-attempt-to-smuggle-meth-worth-rm10-mln/>

15 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (3,530,100 Sticks)/ Cargo Vessel/ At Punggur Port, Indonesia/ DB270525

On 15 May, local authorities seized 3,530,100 sticks of cigarettes from a cargo vessel at Punggur Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mediaindonesia.com/nusantara/774557/penyelundupan-rokok-ilegal-senilai-rp53-miliar-digagalkan-di-pelabuhan-punggur>

06 May - Domestic Products/ Shallots (2,050 Sacks) and Tyres/ Small Boat/ Off Bengkalis, Indonesia/ DB270525

On 6 May, local authorities seized 2,050 sacks of shallot and tyres from a small boat off Bengkalis, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tintanews.id/2025/05/tim-gabungan-polres-bengkalis-dan-bea.html>

02 May - Weapons/ Air Rifle, Silencer/ Small Boat/ At Saumlaki Port, Indonesia/ DB270525

On 2 May, local authorities seized an air rifle and silencer from a small boat at Saumlaki Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://siwalimanews.com/operasi-peat-salawaku-aparat-tni-polri-amankan-satu-pucuk-senapan-angin/>

https://ameks.fajar.co.id/2025/05/03/pasca-bentrokan-di-tanimbar-aparat-keamanan-sita-senapan-angin-di-pelabuhan/#google_vignette

15 May - Wildlife/ Birds (81)/ Unknown Vessel/ Lembar Port, Indonesia/ DB280525

On 15 May, local authorities seized 81 birds from an unknown vessel at Lembar Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://lombokpost.jawapos.com/ntb/1506013458/balai-karantina-ntb-gagalkan-penyelundupan-81-ekor-burung-tanpa-dokumen-ini-daerah-yang-dituju>

14 May - Domestic Products/ Motorcycles (53)/ Unknown Vessel/ At Lembar Port, Indonesia/ DB280525

On 14 May, local authorities seized 53 motorcycles from an unknown vessel at Lembar Port, Indonesia

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bantennews.co.id/53-unit-sepeda-motor-bodong-diamankan-lanal-banten/>

20 May - Weapons/ Air Rifle (48)/ 1 Small Boat/ Off Motaain, Indonesia/ DB300525

On 20 May, local authorities seized 48 air rifles from a small boat off Motaain, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.inilah.com/bea-cukai-gagalkan-upaya-penyelundupan-48-senjata-api-di-perbatasan-indonesia-timor-leste>

20 May - Fuel/ Diesel (60,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ Vietnam/ DB300525

On 20 May, local authorities seized 60,000 litres of diesel from a fishing vessel off Vietnam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://canhsatbien.vn/bat-giu-tau-van-chuyen-trai-phep-dau-diesel-tren-bien/12948/81>

17 May - Domestic Products and Tobacco/ Raw Beef Liver (15 Boxes), Raw Chicken Feet (96 Packs), Cigarettes (500 Cartons)/ 4 Small Boat/ Kupang River, Brunei/ DB300525

On 17 May, local authorities seized 15 boxes of raw beef livers, 96 packs of chicken feet and 500 cartons of cigarettes from four small boats in Kupang River, Brunei.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.polis.gov.bn/Lists/News/ItemDisplayForm.aspx?ID=2581&Source=https%3A%2F%2Fwww%2Epolis%2Egov%2Ebn%2FLists%2FNews%2FAllItems%2Easpx&ContentTypeId=0x01004EE1520DB09AC547981D92B83F9B1E48>

15 May - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (115 Litres)/ Passenger Vessel/ At Manado Port, Indonesia/ DB300525

On 15 May, local authorities seized 115 litres of alcohol from a passenger vessel at Manado Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://suarasulut.com/2025/05/15/gagalkan-penyelundupan-115-liter-miras-jenis-cap-tikus/>

Updates:

13 May - Drugs/ Meth (1,900 kg)/ Unknown Fishing Vessel/ Durian Strait, Tanjung Pinang , Indonesia/ DB190525
(Information Update for DB260525)

Indonesia ILO updated that after reweighed, it turned out to be over 2 tons, which is equivalent to US \$468,750,000.



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

24 May - Irregular Human Migration/ 2 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Batam Centre International Port, Indonesia/ DB270525

On 24 May, local authorities arrested two Indonesian migrants from an unknown vessel in Batam Centre International Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://batam.tribunnews.com/2025/05/24/polisi-gagalkan-calon-pmi-ilegal-yang-hendak-ke-malaysia-ternyata-difasilitasi-sejak-dari-kampung?utm_medium=widget-ml-section-page&utm_content=reco-headline&utm_source=batam.tribunnews.com



Out of Reporting Period:

15 May - Irregular Human Migration/ 5 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ At Sekupang Port, Indonesia/ DB270525

On 15 May, local authorities arrested five Indonesian migrants from an unknown vessel at Sekupang Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://marwahkepri.com/2025/05/19/lima-calon-pmi-ilegal-gagal-berangkat-ke-malaysia-dua-orang-pengurus-ditahan-polisi/>

14 May - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 188 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh and Myanmar/ Andaman Sea/ DB280525

On 14 May, according to the source it is believed that there is a small boat carrying 188 Rohingya Migrants in the Andaman Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.unhcr.org/news/press-releases/unhcr-fears-extreme-desperation-led-deaths-427-rohingya-sea>

IFC Comments:

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

10 May - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 247 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh and Myanmar/ Bay of Bengal/ DB280525

On 10 May, a small boat carrying 247 Rohingya migrants in the Bay of Bengal, capsized due to bad weather. SAR was conducted, and there were 226 dead and 21 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.unhcr.org/news/press-releases/unhcr-fears-extreme-desperation-led-deaths-427-rohingya-sea>

IFC Comments:

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09 May - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 267 Rohingya Migrants/ From Bangladesh and Myanmar/ Gulf of Martaban/ DB280525

On 9 May, a small boat carrying 267 Rohingya migrants in the Gulf of Martaban, capsized due to bad weather. SAR was conducted, and there were 201 dead and 66 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.unhcr.org/news/press-releases/unhcr-fears-extreme-desperation-led-deaths-427-rohingya-sea>

IFC Comments:

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

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SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Out of Reporting Period:

06 May - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ Batam-Bintan Waters, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 6 May, there was an oil spill from an unknown vessel in Batam-Bintan Waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
IMIC Biweekly Report,
BRIN

05 May - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ Batam-Bintan Waters, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 5 May, there was an oil spill from an unknown vessel in Batam-Bintan Waters, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://batam.tribunnews.com/2025/05/05/viral-tumpahan-minyak-di-perairan-bintan-pimpinan-asdp-batam-sebut-bukan-dari-kapal-ro-ro>

02 May - Maritime Pollution/ Solid (Garbage)/ Bali Strait, Indonesia/ DB260525

On 2 May, there was dumping of garbage from an unknown vessel in Bali Strait, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://kumparan.com/kumparannews/cari-nelayan-hilang-basarnas-malah-temukan-hamparan-sampah-di-selat-bali-24zoUMuBvd9/>

SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Out of Reporting Period:

06 May - Ransomware/ Information Technology/ Information leak on Dark Web/ Nagasaki, Japan/ DB260525

On 6 May, there was a ransomware attack on a Japanese ship building company, which led to its information leaking on the Dark Web.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://maritimecybersecurity.nl/incident/LYnzpDMzXk>



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 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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