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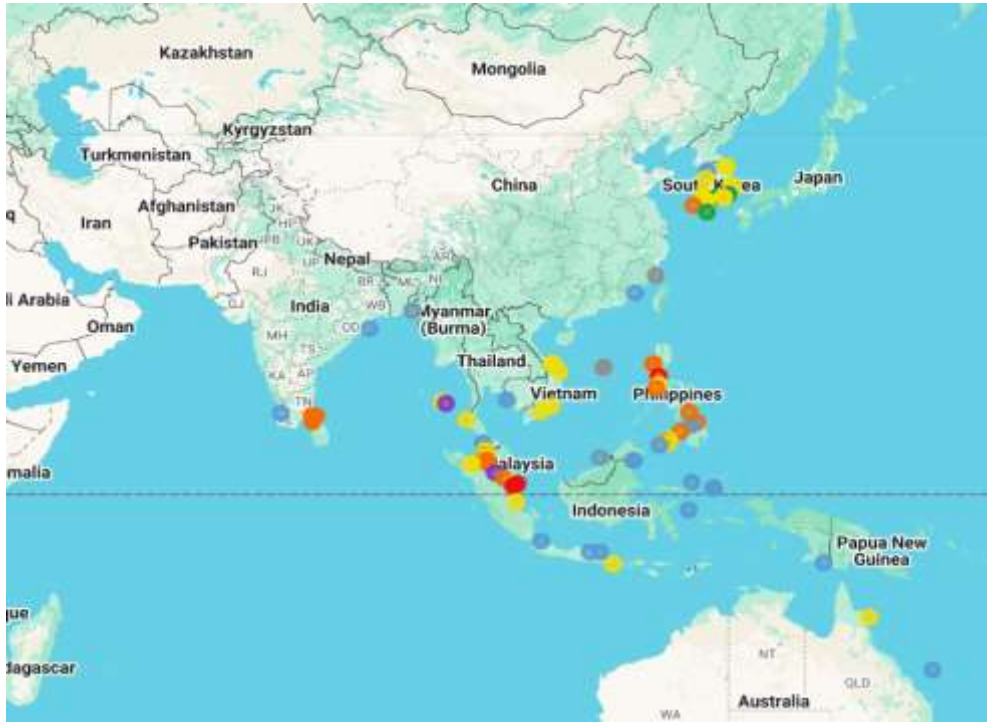
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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 11 Apr – 17 Apr 26, 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	1	2
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	3
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	24	4-8
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	5	9-10
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	24	11-15
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	5	16-17
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	5	18
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	1	19
Others	0	0	20

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

Incidents:

13 May - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, United Kingdom-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB150526

1. POCC reported an unauthorised boarding involving United Kingdom-flagged bulk carrier, as vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore (1°03'27.0"N 103°37'30.0"E) on 13 May 26 at 01:30 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted one perpetrator armed with knife in engine room.

2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for and nothing was reported stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to NPOC, China.

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to shipping company for incident details.

The Indonesian ILO commented that the relevant authorities have been informed, and are currently awaiting further evidence.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

09 May - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Dokdo, ROK/ DB110526

On 9 May, a fishing vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Dokdo, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=147899>

09 May - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing vessel/ 10 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nulokdo, ROK/ DB110526

On 9 May, a fishing vessel caught on fire due to unknown causes off Nulokdo, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were 10 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260509_0003622588

09 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Cargo Vessel vs 1 Fishing Vessel/ 57 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Cam Ranh, Vietnam/ DB110526

On 9 May, a cargo vessel collided with a fishing vessel off Cam Ranh, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were 57 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://canhsatbien.vn/cuu-ho-cuu-nan/15321/82>

10 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Off Hin Bai, Tarutao Island, Stoul Province, Thailand/ DB120526

On 10 May, a fishing vessel sank due to bad weather off Hin Bai, Tarutao Island, Stoul Province, Thailand. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

09 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ 1 Small Boat/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Semirara, Caluya, Antique, Philippines/ DB120526

On 9 May, a small boat sank due to bad weather off Semirara, Caluya, Antique, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://tinyurl.com/274jfupt>

12 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Small Boat vs 1 Passenger Vessel/ 9 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Sadong Port, ROK/ DB130526

On 12 May, a small boat collided against a passenger vessel due to unknown causes off Sadong Port, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were nine rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260512_0003626693

12 May - Equipment Failure/ Water Ingress/ 1 Small Boat/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Gapedo, ROK/ DB130526

On 12 May, a small boat experienced equipment failure due to water ingress off Gapedo, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260512_0003625863

11 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Small Boat/ 14 Missing, 23 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Pangkor, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 11 May, a small boat sank due to unknown causes off Pulau Pangkor, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were 14 missing and 23 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2026/05/1437580/14-missing-23-rescued-after-boat-sinks-near-pulau-pangkor-watch>

11 May - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ 1 Dredger/ Off Tanjung Tokong, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 11 May, local authorities detained a dredger due to unauthorised operation off Tanjung Tokong, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://www.sinarharian.com.my/article/779501/berita/semasa/cubaan-kru-beri-suapan-gagal-kapal-korek-ditahan-maritim-pulau-pinang>

13 May - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ Off Harimau Island, Mersing, Malaysia/ DB150526

On 13 May, a fishing vessel was adrift due to equipment failure off Harimau Island, Mersing, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1E1SK4J8Ge/>

12 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 3 Missing, 1 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Songkhla Fairway Buoy, Thailand/ DB150526

On 12 May, a fishing vessel sank due to water ingress off Songkhla Fairway Buoy, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there were three missing and one rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

11 May - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Off Sungai Puloh, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB150526

On 11 May, local authorities detained a passenger due to unauthorised operation off Sungai Puloh, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Fwke9weJF/>

10 May - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Small Boat/ 3 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Koh Tapao Yai, Phuket, Thailand/ DB150526

On 10 May, a small boat caught fire due to unknown causes off Koh Tapao Yai, Phuket, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there were three rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1FSCfEt9Sy/>

Out of Reporting Period:

08 May - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Tugboat/ SAR/ Off Seonmi, ROK/ DB110526

On 8 May, a tugboat caught on fire due to equipment failure off Seonmi, ROK. SAR was conducted.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260508_0003622340

08 May - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ Off Taeon, ROK/ DB110526

On 8 May, a fishing vessel caught fire due to unknown causes off Taeon, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260508_0003622377

08 May - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Small Boat/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Baliwasan, Zamboanga City, Philippines/ DB110526

On 8 May, a small boat caught fire due to unknown causes off Baliwasan, Zamboanga City, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/100005802100138/posts/2961167764086598/?rdid=r50KmdU73ldST82E#>

07 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Collision-Grounding/ 1 Fishing Vessel vs 1 Carrier/ 5 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Daebyeon Port, Gijang-gun, Busan, ROK/ DB110526

On 7 May, a fishing vessel collided with a carrier off Daebyeon Port, Gijang-gun, Busan, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were five rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=147827>

07 May - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 4 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Hai Phong, Vietnam/ DB110526

On 7 May, a fishing vessel sank off Hai Phong, Vietnam. SAR was conducted and there were four rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bienphong.com.vn/4-thuyen-vien-bi-nan-tren-vung-bien-hai-phong-duoc-tau-nuoc-ngoai-cuu-vot-post503243.html>

02 May - Missing/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tanegashima, Japan/ DB110526

On 2 May, a fishing vessel went missing due to equipment failure off Tanegashima, Japan. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.yahoo.co.jp/articles/af704183dd50b2da352e57e6eeb7b1fd00f639a8>

27 Apr - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ 57 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Tarumi, Japan/ DB110526

On 27 Apr, a passenger vessel went adrift due to equipment failure off Tarumi, Japan. SAR was conducted and there were 57 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.yahoo.co.jp/articles/c968457c5a272bd19e312bfeb631c82a55fd3ae6>

07 May - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ 1 Dredger/ 8 Rescued/ SAR/ Kojima Bay, Japan/ DB120526

On 7 May, a dredger ran aground due to unknown causes at Kojima Bay, Japan. SAR was conducted and there were eight rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.yahoo.co.jp/articles/327fd577e0f92d21cca9890256ef65e9c92a9678>

01 May - Adrift/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Small Boat/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Gunsan Port, ROK/ DB120526

On 1 May, a small boat was adrift due to equipment failure at Gunsan Port, ROK. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260502_0003614766

07 May - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ Off Tachai Island, Phang Nga, Thailand/ DB150526

On 7 May, a fishing vessel caught fire due to equipment failure off Tachai Island, Phang Nga, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/18ApD9rUGi/>

02 May - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ Off Ranong Province, Thailand/ DB150526

On 2 May, local authorities detained a cargo vessel due to unauthorised operation off Ranong Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Dj1xTBoNJ/>

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

Incidents:

10 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishermen/ Off Jikdo, Gunsan, ROK/ DB110526

On 10 May, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested two foreign fishermen due to license of fishermen off Jikdo, Gunsan, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260510_0003623326

Out of Reporting Period:

08 May - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Chinese Fishing Vessels Detained/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Baengnyeongdo, ROK/ DB110526

On 8 May, local authorities detained two Chinese fishing vessel due to fishing in Prohibited Areas off Baengnyeongdo, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=147904>

05 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 5 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Pulau Buloh, Malaysia/ DB110526

On 5 May, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested five foreign fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas off Pulau Buloh, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Cvtrd28KF/>

06 May - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Seizure of Illegal Fishing Gear/ Off Serasan Island, Indonesia/ DB120526

On 6 May, local authorities detained a local fishing vessel due to seizure of illegal fishing gear off Serasan Island, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.indomaritim.com/2026/05/10/posal-bengkayang-amankan-kapal-bom-ikan-di-dermaga-perikanan-sedau/>

27 Apr - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 2 Local Fishing Vessels Detained/ 4 Myanmar Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas, License of Fishermen/ Off Tanjung Beras Basah, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 27 Apr, local authorities detained two local fishing vessel and arrested four Myanmar fishermen due to fishing in prohibited areas and license of fishermen off Tanjung Beras Basah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://tinyurl.com/4aaey7kn>



SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

11 May - Domestic Products/ Cars (13)/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ From ROK to Unknown/ Incheon Port, ROK/ DB120526

On 11 May, local authorities seized 13 cars from a cargo vessel at Incheon Port, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260511_0003624561

10 May - Drugs/ Cocaine (2kg)/ Adrift/ From Unknown to Philippines/ Off Palawan, Philippines/ DB120526

On 10 May, local authorities seized 2kg of cocaine that was adrift off Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1463656895805703&id=100064842182421&post_id=100064842182421_1463656895805703&rdid=bJN3zl6VBp0tAAeU#

11 May - Fuel/ Petrol (265 Litres)/ 1 Small Boat/ To Malaysia/ Off Pulau Siamil, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 11 May, local authorities seized 265 litres of petrol from a small boat off Pulau Siamil, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2026/05/12/265-liter-petrol-dirampas-dalam-ops-tiris-di-semporna>

11 May - Domestic Products/ Liquor (620 Litres)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Banda Naira Public Port, Maluku, Indonesia/ DB140526

On 11 May, local authorities seized 620 litres of liquor from a passenger vessel at Banda Naira Public Port, Maluku, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/90343/TNI-AL-GAGALKAN-PEREDARAN-RATUSAN-LITER-SOPI-ILEGAL-DI-PELABUHAN-BANDA-NAIRA/>

10 May - Domestic Products/ Cosmetic Products (24,176)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ From Philippines to Sabah/ Off Lahad Datu, Sabah/ DB140526

On 10 May, local authorities seized 24,176 cosmetic products from a passenger vessel off Lahad Datu, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.utusanborneo.com.my/2026/05/11/cubaan-seludup-kosmetik-bernilai-lebih-rm360000-gagal>

09 May - Wildlife/ Parrots (2), Deer Antlers (2)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Yos Soedarso Public Port, Ambon City, Maluku, Indonesia/ DB140526

On 9 May, local authorities seized two parrots and two deer antlers from a passenger vessel at Yos Soedarso Public Port, Ambon City, Maluku, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/90311/GAGALKAN-PENYELUNDUPAN-SATWA-DILINDUNGI,-TNI-AL-AMANKAN-BURUNG-NURI-ENDEMIK-MALUKU-DI-PELABUHAN-YOS-SOEDARSO-AMBON/>

09 May - Domestic Products/ Liquor (10 Litres)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Yos Sudarso Ambon Public Port, Indonesia/ DB140526

On 9 May, local authorities seized 10 litres of liquor from a passenger vessel at Yos Sudarso Ambon Public Port, Ambon City, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/90323/TNI-AL-GAGALKAN-PENYELUNDUPAN-MIRAS-ILEGAL-DI-PELABUHAN-AMBON/>

09 May - Natural Resources/ Wood (35 Logs)/ 1 Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Kunak, Sabah/ DB140526

On 9 May, local authorities seized 35 logs of wood from a small boat off Kunak, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/100064312044774/posts/1403401348480253/?rdid=axOJdqb4BwjicCEV#>

13 May - Fuel/ Diesel (3,000 Litres)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ From Unknown to Malaysia/ Off Pulau Gaya, Sabah/ DB150526

On 13 May, local authorities seized 3,000 litres of diesel from a fishing vessel off Pulau Gaya, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

12 May - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (30 Sacks)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Off Negombo Lagoon, Sri Lanka/ DB150526

On 12 May, local authorities seized 30 sacks of kendu leaves from a small boat off Negombo Lagoon, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/05/13/202605131455/>

10 May - Natural Resources/ Kendu Leaves (20 Sacks)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Unknown to Sri Lanka/ Off Alankuda, Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka/ DB150526

On 10 May, local authorities seized 20 sacks of kendu leaves from a small boat off Alankuda, Kalpitiya, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2026/05/11/202605111200/>

Out of Reporting Period:

07 May - Fuel/ Diesel (7,850 Litres)/ 2 Small Boats/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Sempora, Sabah/ DB110526

On 7 May, local authorities seized 7,850 litres of diesel from two small boats off Sempora, Sabah.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sabah.kupikupifm.my/ppm-serah-rampasan-7850-liter>

07 May - Wildlife/ Ivory (250kg)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ From Africa to Thailand/ Thailand/ DB120526

On 7 May, local authorities seized 250kg of ivory from an unknown vessel off Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.straitstimes.com/asia/se-asia/thai-police-arrest-9-in-largest-ivory-seizure-in-a-decade>

20 Apr - Natural Resources/ Wooden Logs (116)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Semayang Port, Indonesia/ DB120526

On 20 Apr, local authorities seized 116 wooden logs from an unknown vessel at Semayang Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://tinyurl.com/mvub5m4d>

18 Apr - Domestic Products/ Liquor (91.7 Litres)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Pomako Port, Indonesia/ DB120526

On 18 Apr, local authorities seized 91.7 litres of liquor from a passenger vessel at Pomako Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tabukanews.com/read/91-liter-miras-tanpa-pemilik-kembali-diamankan-aparat-gabungan-di-pelabuhan-poumako.html>

12 Apr - Drugs/ Methamphetamine (2.24kg), Ecstasy (0.47kg)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ From Unknown to Indonesia/ Sri Bintang Pura Port, Indonesia/ DB120526

On 12 Apr, local authorities seized 2.24kg of meth and 0.47kg of ecstasy from an unknown vessel at Sri Bintang Pura Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tempo.co/hukum/penyelundupan-sabu-dan-ekstasi-digagalkan-di-tanjungpinang-2131452>

07 May - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (112,000 Sticks)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ at Labuan Bajo Port, Indonesia/ DB130526

On 7 May, local authorities seized 112,000 sticks of cigarettes from a passenger vessel at Labuan Bajo Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1EMwD4iNDF/>

30 Apr - Fuel/ Kerosene (1,480 Litres)/ 1 Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Mangyatan Island, Indonesia/ DB130526

On 30 Apr, local authorities seized 1,480 litres of kerosene from a small boat off Mangyatan Island, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.detik.com/bali/hukum-dan-kriminal/d-8470587/polairud-mabes-polri-gagalkan-penyelundupan-bbm-subsidi-di-labuan-bajo>

29 Apr - Drugs/ Marijuana (0.85kg)/ 1 Passenger Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Japura Port, Indonesia/ DB130526

On 29 Apr, local authorities seized 0.85kg of marijuana from a passenger vessel in Japura Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://gurindam.id/2026/04/30/tni-al-gagalkan-penyelundupan>

27 Apr - Drugs/ Meth (5kg)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Off Pulau Silat, Indonesia/ DB130526

On 27 Apr, local authorities seized 5kg of meth from a small boat off Pulau Silat, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sumut.idntimes.com/news/sumatra-utara/baru-turun-dari-kapal-pria-pembawa-5-kg-sabu-diciduk-polisi-00-f4z9n-7pm48h>

23 Apr - Fuel/ Diesel (930 Litres)/ Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ At Tanjung Perak Port, Indonesia/ DB130526

On 23 Apr, local authorities seized 930 litres from an unknown vessel at Tanjung Perak Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://jatim.antaranews.com/berita/1059925/polda-jatim-gagalkan-penyelundupan-solar-bersubsidi&ust=1778722560000000&usg=AOvVaw3wjphXr3L-CLF7iS-lltcU&hl=en&source=gmail>

06 May - Wildlife/ Birds (620)/ 1 Unknown Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Bakauheni ASDP Port, Indonesia/ DB140526

On 6 May, local authorities seized 620 birds from an unknown vessel at Bakauheni ASDP Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/90252/TNI-AL-GAGALKAN-PENYELUNDUPAN-620-EKOR-BURUNG-ILEGAL-DI-BAKAUHENI/>

08 May - Fuel/ Diesel/ 3 Tanker/ From Unknown to Thailand/ Andaman Sea (Phuket Area), Thailand/ DB150526

On 8 May, local authorities seized diesel from three tankers in the Andaman Sea (Phuket Area), Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1CYj3khSBU/>

04 May - Domestic Products/ Lobster Seeds (25 Boxes)/ 1 Small Boat/ From Indonesia to Unknown/ Off Kuala Mendahara, Tanjung Jabung Barat, Jambi, Indonesia/ DB150526

On 4 May, local authorities seized 25 boxes of lobster seeds from a small boat off Kuala Mendahara, Tanjung Jabung Barat, Jambi, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/656/tni-al-palembang-gagalkan-penyelundupan-125-000-benur-dari-jambi>

SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

Incidents:

11 May - Illegal Documentation/ 1 Dredger/ 10 Foreign Migrants/ Off Tanjung Tokong, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 11 May, local authorities detained a dredger and arrested 10 foreign migrants off Tanjung Tokong, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sinarharian.com.my/article/779501/berita/semasa/cubaan-kru-beri-suapan-gagal-kapal-korek-ditahan-maritim-pulau-pinang>

11 May - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Small Boat/ 37 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Pulau Pangkor, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 11 May, local authorities detained a small boat and arrested 23 Indonesian migrants while 14 individuals remain missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2026/05/1437580/14-missing-23-rescued-after-boat-sinks-near-pulau-pangkor-watch>

Out of Reporting Period:

24 Apr - Irregular Human Migration/ 1 Small Boat/ 5 Indonesian Migrants/ Off Karimun, Indonesia/ DB130526

On 24 Apr, local authorities arrested 5 Indonesian migrants from a small boat off Karimun, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://koran-jakarta.com/2026-04-24/tni-al-dan-bais-tni-amankan-pmi-non-prosedural-di-karimun>

27 Apr - Illegal Documentation/ 2 Fishing Vessels/ 4 Myanmar/ Off Tanjung Beras Basah, Malaysia/ DB140526

On 27 Apr, local authorities detained two fishing vessels and arrested four Myanmar migrants off Tanjung Beras Basah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://tinyurl.com/4aaey7kn>

02 May - Illegal Documentation/ 1 Cargo Vessel/ 1 Thai, 9 Myanmar/ Off Ranong Province, Thailand/ DB150526

On 2 May, local authorities detained a cargo vessel and arrested one Thai and nine Myanmar migrants off Ranong Province, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Dj1xTBoNJ/>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incidents:

14 May - Maritime Pollution/ Oil Spill/ No Impact/ Eastern Outer Port Limit (EOPL), SW of South China Sea/ DB150526

On 14 May, a 1,1km long pollution (oil spill or oily water discharge) was observable on SENTINEL2 satellite image at position 1.821, 104.685

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
FR ILO

Out of Reporting Period:

07 May - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ 1 Tanker/ Off Busan, ROK/ DB110526

On 7 May, there is an oil spill from a tanker off Busan, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260509_0003622672

07 May - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ Off Daebyeon Port, Gijang-gun, Busan, ROK/ DB110526

On 7 May, there is an oil spill from a fishing vessel off Daebyeon Port, Gijang-gun, Busan, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<http://www.haesanews.com/news/articleView.html?idxno=147827>

07 May - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ 1 Small Boat/ Okayama Port, Japan/ DB120526

On 7 May, there was an oil spill from a small boat at Okayama Port, Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
<https://news.yahoo.co.jp/articles/98e7af56edca8d86e83bbccab51f5e94d6feef5>

01 May - Maritime Pollution/ Liquid (Oil)/ 1 Fishing Vessel/ Dodu Port, ROK/ DB120526

On 1 May, there was an oil spill from a fishing vessel at Dodu Port, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:
https://www.newsis.com/view/NISX20260502_0003614877

SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Incidents:

Out of Reporting Period:

29 Apr - Underwater Infrastructure/ Damage to Undersea Cable/ Off Dongyin, Taiwan/
DB120526

On 29 Apr, there was damage to undersea cables off Dongyin, Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://subtelforum.com/taiwan-dongyin-cable-break-triggers-backup-links/>



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.



SAFE AND SECURE SEAS FOR ALL

Note: Information herein were derived and compiled through the collaborative efforts of our International Liaison Officers (ILOs), utilising a combination of open-source news/reports and voluntary data-sharing from various internal and external sources such as Focal Points, OPCENs, and other maritime stakeholders.

Given that IFC's information-sharing mechanism relies heavily on availability of reports online and voluntary contributions, certain data gaps or "blind spots" may exist in terms of trending and analysis. Areas that have no or limited reported incidents should thus not be assumed to be "incident free"; likewise, in comparison, areas with high reported incident numbers should not be assumed to be "danger areas". We applaud all partners who have stepped up enforcement efforts and openly reported the incidents for shared awareness. Seafarers should remain vigilant at all times, 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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