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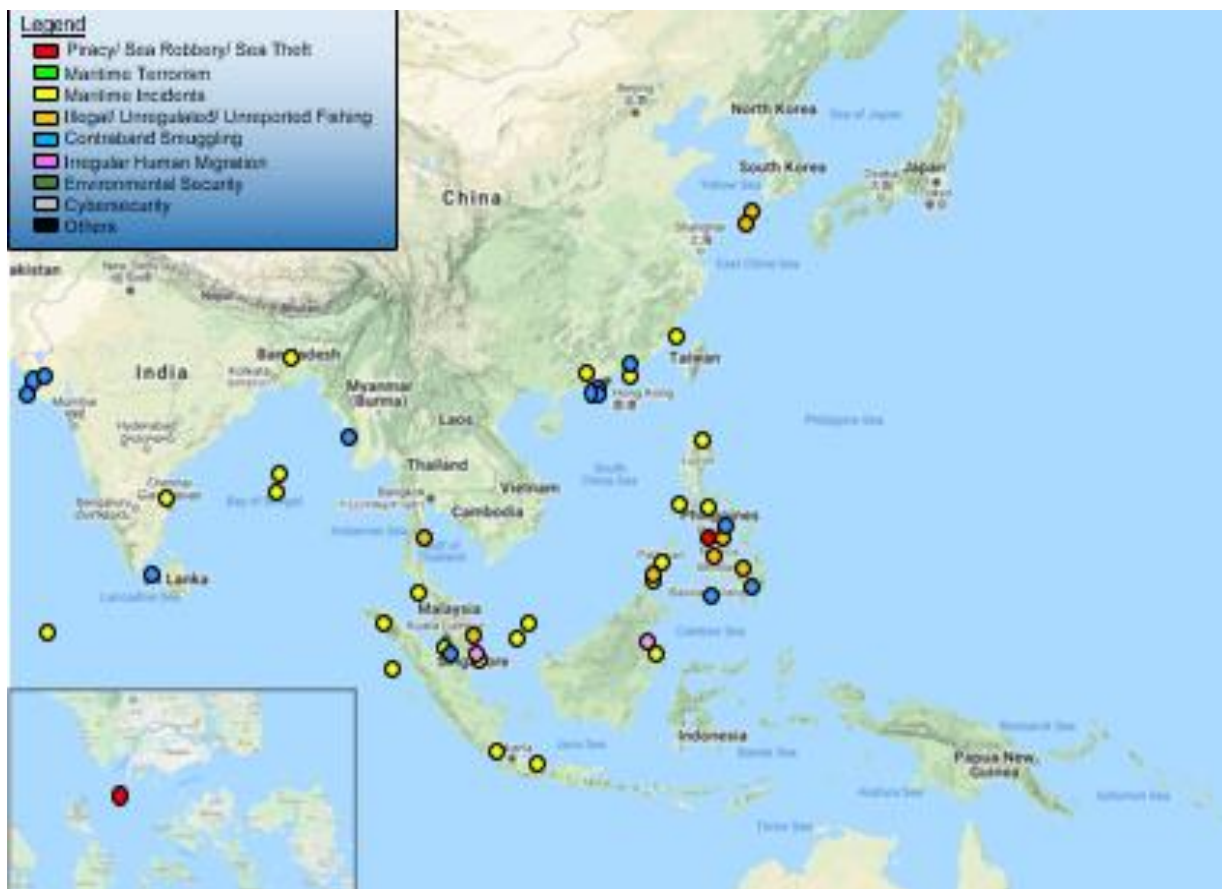
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# OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 13 - 19 Nov, the number of incidents reported by the IFC within the AOI are as follows:

Category	Number of Incidents	Page Reference
Theft, Robbery and Piracy at Sea (TRAPS)	2	2-3
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	4
Maritime Incidents (MI)	24	5-10
Illegal/ Unregulated/ Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	8	11-13
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	13	14-16
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	2	17
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	18
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	19
Others	0	20

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

17 Nov - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ JIF BREIZH/ France-Flagged/ Anchored/ Off Batangas Bay Eastern Anchorages, Philippines/ DB181121

1. IFC received information from CSO that an unauthorised boarding incident occurred onboard a France-flagged Utility Vessel, JIF BREIZH, while anchored off Batangas Bay Eastern Anchorages, Philippines (13°44'33N 121°02'26E) on 17 Nov at 0200 (UTC + 8).

2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: JIF BREIZH
- b. Callsign: FIJG
- c. IMO: 9648180
- d. MMSI: 228041900
- e. Flag: France
- f. Type: Utility
- g. Ship Owner: Jifmar Offshore Services SAS
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: Jifmar Offshore Services SAS
- j. LPOC: Philippines
- i. NPOC: Info Gap

3. During watch on the deck, around 02:00 am LT, the 2nd mate noticed that the padlock of the Bosun store was broken and the sling around the chain locker was cut. The following material in the Bosun store was found stolen: 3 grinders (2 out-of-service and 1 brand new), 2 fire-fighting nozzles, 1 electrical extension cord of 50 m, 1 shackle (12T). The intrusion into the vessel was not sighted. The robbers probably climbed the vessel through the portside bow and proceeded to the bosun store and could not be not visible from the bridge.

IFC Comments:

The Ship Master has informed both VTMS and the local authority.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

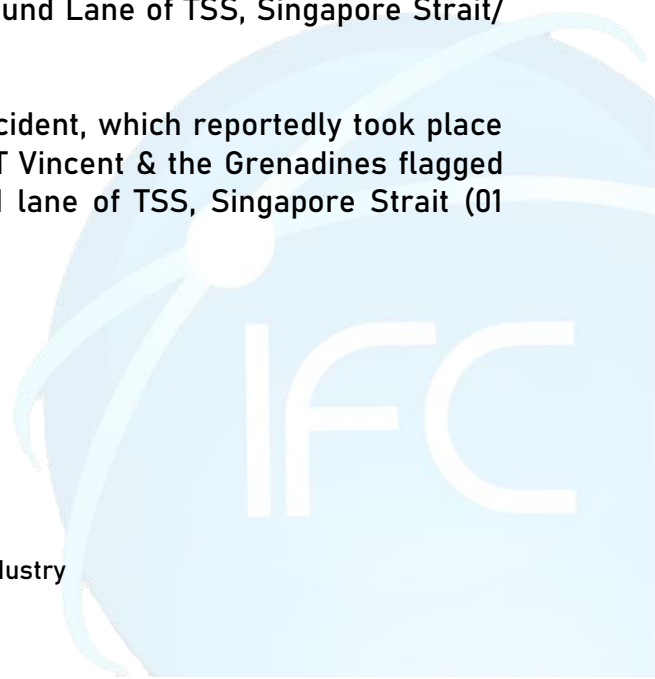
CSO

12 Nov - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ MTS VANTAGE and BM 2101/ Tug and Barge/ ST Vincent & the Grenadines-Flagged/ Underway/ Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB151121

1. POCC informed IFC of an unauthorised boarding incident, which reportedly took place onboard an unmanned barge, BM 2101, towed by an ST Vincent & the Grenadines flagged tug, MTS VANTAGE, while transiting along eastbound lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (01 07.81N 103 32.90E) on 12 Nov 21 at 1255 (UTC + 8).

2. Vessel Details:

- a. Name: MTS VANTAGE
- b. Callsign: J8B5952
- c. IMO: 9585261
- d. MMSI: 377292000



- e. Flag: St Vincent & The Grenadines
- f. Type: Tug
- g. Ship Owner: MTS Group Ltd
- h. Ship Operator/Manager: MTS Group Ltd
- j. LPOC: Singapore
- i. NPOC: Australia

2. One perpetrator was sighted onboard the unmanned barge. The ship master reported that all crew are safe, and one coil of towing rope and mooring rope were stolen. No further assistance is required and the ship continued her voyage to NPOC, Australia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
POCC



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

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## SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

17 Nov – Others/ Unexploded Ordnance/ Unknown Vessel/ San Nicolas Shoal, Cavite, Philippines/ DB191121

Local authorities seized unexploded ordnance at San Nicolas Shoal, Cavite, Philippines on 17 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/100064660843959/posts/260916096073750/?d=n>

17 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Ship/ 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nangan Island, Matsu Islands, Fujian, Taiwan/ DB181121

11 crew were rescued from cargo ship that capsized due to water ingress off Nangan Island, Matsu Islands, Fujian, Taiwan on 17 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/11/17/chinese-cargo-ship-sank-off-fuzhou-11-crew-rescued/>

16 Nov – Others/ Jet Crash/ One Missing/ SAR/ Bay of Bengal, Indian Ocean/ DB181121

One pilot went missing after his jet crashed in Bay of Bengal, Indian Ocean on 16 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/baf-fighter-jet-crashes-bay-104962>

15 Nov – Adrift/ Steering Failure/ Cargo Ship/ Sunda Strait, Banten, West Java, Indonesia/ DB181121

A cargo ship went adrift due to steering failure in Sunda Strait, Banten, West Java, Indonesia on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Kmp.nusa-Dharma-7303308.html>

15 Nov – MEDEVAC/ Stroke/ Fishing Vessel/ One Dead/ SAR/ Off Thinadhoo, Maldives/ DB181121

One crew dead from stroke aboard fishing vessel in waters off Thinadhoo, Maldives on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.sun.mv/70449>



16 Nov – Mechanical Failure/ Engine Failure (Bad Weather)/ Bunkering Tanker/ Nine Rescued/ Off Nias Island, West Sumatra, Indonesia/ DB171121

Nine crew were rescued from a bunkering tanker that experienced engine failure due to bad weather in waters off Nias Island, West Sumatra, Indonesia on 16 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
RRC Indonesia  
BASARNAS

15 Nov – Collision/ Human Error/ Barge vs Bulk Carrier/ Three Missing, Three Rescued/ Off Mongla Port, Khulna, Bangladesh/ DB171121

Three crew went missing while three others were rescued from a collision between a barge and a bulk carrier in waters off Mongla Port, Khulna, Bangladesh on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/11/16/lighter-collided-with-bulk-carrier-sank-3-missing/>  
<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2021/36149/lighter-collided-bulk-carrier-sank-3-missing/>  
<https://bdnews24.com/bangladesh/2021/11/16/5-sailors-missing-as-coal-bearing-boat-sinks-near-mongla-port>

15 Nov – Vessel Detained/ Expired License/ Tanker/ Off Tanjung Payung, Sarawak, Malaysia/ DB171121

A tanker was detained for having an expired license in waters off Tanjung Payung, Sarawak, Malaysia on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/258413642979035>

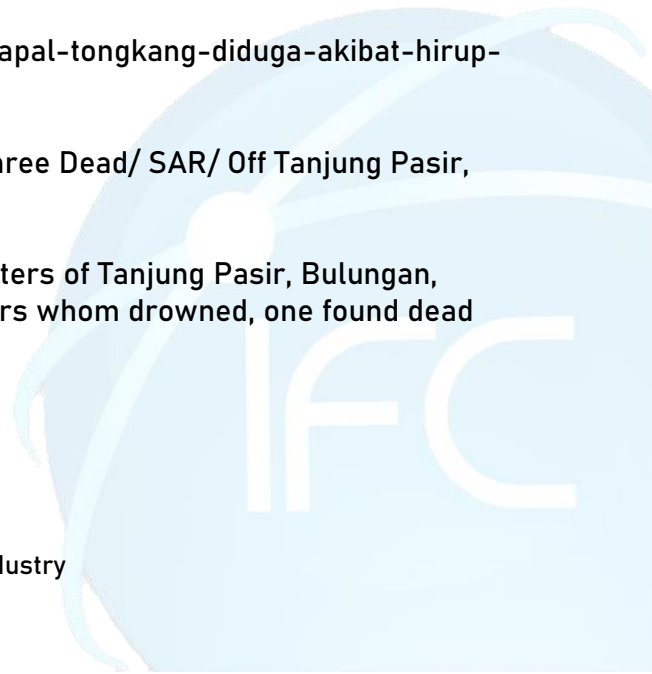
15 Nov – Others/ Toxic Gas/ Barge/ Two Dead/ SAR/ Off West Aceh, Indonesia/ DB171121

Two crew dead after inhaling toxic gas in waters off West Aceh, Indonesia on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
BASARNAS  
<https://beritakini.co/news/dua-abk-tewas-di-lambung-kapal-tongkang-diduga-akibat-hirup-gas-beracun-di-aceh-barat/index.html>

13 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Speedboat/ Three Dead/ SAR/ Off Tanjung Pasir, Bulungan, North Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB161121

A speedboat carrying shrimp ponds overturned in the waters of Tanjung Pasir, Bulungan, North Kalimantan, on 13 Nov 21, involving three passengers whom drowned, one found dead and two missing.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://m.merdeka.com/peristiwa/speedboat-muat-hasil-tambak-terbalik-di-perairan-kaltara-1-orang-tewas-dan-2-hilang.html>

13 Nov – Missing/ Sunk/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Missing/ SAR/ Off Pantai Remis, Manjung, Perak, Malaysia/ DB151121

Three crew went missing after their fishing vessel sank in waters off Pantai Remis, Manjung, Perak, Malaysia on 13 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/257176313102768>

13 Nov – Adrift/ Stuck Propeller/ Passenger Ferry/ 312 Rescued/ Off Kuala Perlis, Langkawi, Malaysia/ DB151121

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312 passengers were rescued from a passenger ferry went adrift due to stuck propeller in waters off Kuala Perlis, Langkawi, Malaysia on 13 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bernama.com/en/general/news.php?id=2022984>

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2021/11/14/312-passengers-stranded-on-ferry-from-langkawi>

13 Nov – Vessel Detained/ Illegal Anchoring/ Tanker/ Off Tanjung Siang, West Java, Malaysia/ DB151121

Local authorities detained a tanker for illegal anchoring in waters off Tanjung Siang, West Java, Malaysia on 13 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/257180749768991>

13 Nov – Vessel Detained/ Illegal Anchoring/ Cargo Ship/ Off Tanjung Balau, Kota Tinggi, Johor, Malaysia/ DB151121

Local authorities detained a cargo ship for illegal anchoring in waters off Tanjung Balau, Kota Tinggi, Johor, Malaysia on 13 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/257180749768991>

Out of reporting period:

10 Nov – Others/ Illegal Salvage Operation/ Cargo Ship/ Barangay Tallungan, Aparri, Cagayan, Philippines/ DB181121

Local authorities stopped an illegal salvage operation on a cargo ship at Barangay Tallungan, Aparri, Cagayan, Philippines on 10 Nov.



News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://coastguard.gov.ph/index.php/11-news/4327-pcg-responds-to-an-illegal-salvage-operation-in-aparri-cagayan>

12 Nov – Adrift/ Engine Failure/ Small Boat/ Six Rescued/ SAR/ Off Apult Island, Taytay, Philippines/ DB181121

Six crew were rescued from small that went adrift due to engine failure in waters off Apult Island, Taytay, Philippines on 12 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://palawan-news.com/pnp-maritime-rescues-six-individuals-from-distressed-motorized-banca-in-taytay/>

12 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Lost Rudder/ Small Boat/ Four Rescued/ SAR/ Off Seven Lines, Isla Sumbrero, Aborlan, Palawan, Philippines/ DB181121

Four crew were rescued from small boat that capsized due to lost rudder in waters off Seven Lines, Isla Sumbrero, Aborlan, Palawan, Philippines on 12 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\\_fbid=260276592804367&id=100064660843959](https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=260276592804367&id=100064660843959)  
<https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/news/regions/811113/coast-guard-rescues-4-fishermen-after-boat-submerges/story/>

12 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Ship/ 13 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Huili, Guangdong, China/ DB181121

13 crew were rescued from cargo ship that capsized due to water ingress off Huili, Guangdong, China on 12 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Hangsheng88-11857168.html>

29 Oct – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ SAR/ North Natuna Sea, Vietnam/ DB181121

Three crew were rescued after their fishing vessel sank due to bad weather in North Natuna Sea, Vietnam on 29 Oct.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://batam.tribunnews.com/2021/11/16/nelayan-3-hari-hanyut-di-laut-akibat-cuaca-ekstrem-hingga-ditolong-kapal-vietnam?page=3>

12 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ Four Rescued/ SAR/ Off Nolvivranfaru, Maldives/ DB161121

On 12 Nov, the Maldives Defense Force (MNDF) rendered assistance to a small boat that capsized due to strong waves in a storm, while fishing in waters off Nolvivranfaru, Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://en.sun.mv/70377>

09 Nov – Fire-Explosion/ Hot Works/ Fishing Vessel/ SAR/ Off Navotas Fish Port Complex, Navotas, Philippines/ DB161121

Investigations found that one of the crew members were scrapping metals using acetylene when the fire occurred.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
[https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\\_fbid=256312419867451&id=100064660843959](https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=256312419867451&id=100064660843959)

12 Nov – Sunk-Capsized/ Water Ingress/ Cargo Ship/ 13 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Huili, Guangdong, China/ DB151121

13 crew were rescued from cargo ship that sank due to water ingress in waters off Huili, Guangdong, China on 12 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/11/13/chinese-cargo-ship-sank-in-south-china-sea-13-crew-rescued/>

12 Nov – Adrift/ Mechanical Failure/ Fishing Vessel/ Six Rescued/ SAR/ Off Mypadu, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, India/ DB151121

Six crew were rescued from fishing vessel that went adrift due to mechanical failure in waters off Mypadu, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, India on 12 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://twitter.com/Def\\_PRO\\_Chennai/status/1459155232768675848](https://twitter.com/Def_PRO_Chennai/status/1459155232768675848)

09 Nov – Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Container Ship/ Bay of Bengal, Indian Ocean/ DB151121

A container ship went adrift in Bay of Bengal, Indian Ocean on 09 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2021/36137/disabled-container-ship-singapore-bridge-tow-nov-1/>

<http://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/11/14/disabled-container-ship-singapore-bridge-on-tow-nov-14-update/>

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Singapore-Bridge-9224348.html>

Information Updates:

13 Nov – Missing/ Sunk/ Fishing Vessel/ Three Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pantai Remis, Manjung, Perak, Malaysia/ DB161121  
(Information Update from DB151121)

Perak State Maritime has confirmed that three victims of the boat sinking incident in the waters of Kepulauan Sembilan last night, have been found and are safe.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/257356966418036>

13 Nov – Vessel Detained/ Illegal Anchoring/ Tanker/ Off Tanjung Siang, Malaysia/ DB161121  
(Information Update from DB151121)

On 13 Nov, a Panama registered tanker was detained for illegal anchoring 11,5 nautical miles off Tanjung Siang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/257180749768991>

10 Nov – Sunk-Capsized (Missing)/ Bad Weather/ Cargo Ship/ Ten Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Pisang, Malaysia/ DB121121  
(Information Update from DB111121)

Updated that on 12 Nov, a salvage operation was conducted and the ship was refloated.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/11/12/container-ship-aground-off-nakhodka-update-nov-12-analysis/>

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2021/11/09/container-ship-aground-broke-in-two-off-nakhodka-japan-sea-video/>

<https://www.vesseltracker.com/en/Ships/Rise-Shine-9164550.html>



## SECTION D: ILLEGAL/ UNREGULATED/ UNREPORTED FISHING (IUUF)

16 Nov – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Five Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Kamantayan Reef, Barangay Nusa, Cagayancillo, Philippines/ DB191121

Local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested five local fishermen for illegal fishing at Kamantayan Reef, Barangay Nusa, Cagayancillo, Philippines on 16 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://palawan-news.com/bantay-dagat-apprehends-5-illegal-fishers-in-cagayancillo/>

16 Nov – Poaching/ Two Vietnamese Fishing Vessels Detained/ Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Samui island, Surat Thani, Thailand/ DB181121

Local authorities detained two Vietnamese fishing vessels and arrested five foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in waters off Samui island, Surat Thani, Thailand on 16 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Thai Maritime Enforcement Coordinating Centre 2nd Area Command

16 Nov – Poaching/ One Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 17 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Chagwi Island, Jeju Province, ROK/ DB171121

Local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel and arrested 17 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in waters off Chagwi Island, Jeju Province, ROK on 16 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20211116128300056?input=1195m>

<http://www.jibs.co.kr/news/articles/articlesDetail/18610?feed=na>

15 Nov – Poaching/ One Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 18 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Gageo Island, South Jeolla Province, ROK/ DB171121

Local authorities detained one Chinese fishing vessel and arrested 18 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in waters off Gageo Island, South Jeolla Province, ROK on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20211116101700054?input=1195m>

[https://newsis.com/view/?id=NISX20211116\\_0001652849&cID=10809&pID=10800](https://newsis.com/view/?id=NISX20211116_0001652849&cID=10809&pID=10800)

13 Nov – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ One Local Fisherman and Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Tanjung Resang, Johor, Malaysia/ DB151121

Local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested one local and four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in waters off Tanjung Resang, Johor, Malaysia on 13 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://headtopics.com/my/boat-seized-for-trawling-less-than-12-nautical-miles-from-shore-off-tanjung-resang-22503446>

Out of reporting period:

11 Nov – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Three Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Guinlabog Islet, Barangay Abagat, Philippines/ DB161121

On 11 Nov at around 1200 (UTC+8), the Magsaysay Municipal Police Station (MPS) arrested three fishermen for using a compressor in waters off Guinlabog Islet, Barangay Abagat, Philippines

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://palawan-news.com/siyam-na-mangingisdang-gumagamit-ng-compressor-arestado-sa-magsaysay-at-agutaya/>

11 Nov – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Six Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Sitio Tagauayan, Barangay Cocoro, Magsaysay, Palawan, Philippines/ DB161121

On 11 Nov at around 0445 (UTC+8), the Magsaysay Municipal Police Station (MPS) intercepted a motorboat and arrested six fishermen for using a compressor in waters off off Sitio Tagauayan, Barangay Cocoro, Magsaysay, Palawan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://palawan-news.com/siyam-na-mangingisdang-gumagamit-ng-compressor-arestado-sa-magsaysay-at-agutaya/>

11 Nov – Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Five Local Fisherman Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods/ Off Barangay Talisay, Calatrava, Romblon, Philippines/ DB161121

On 11 Nov, the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) Sub-Station Calatrava detained one motorbanca and arrested five fishermen for illegal fishing in waters off Barangay Talisay, Calatrava, Romblon, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\\_fbid=257767396388620&id=100064660843959](https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=257767396388620&id=100064660843959)

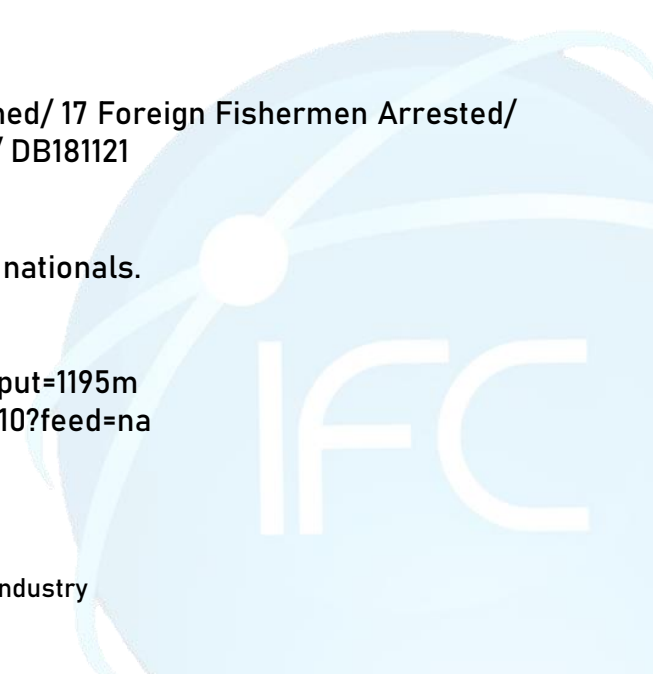
Information Updates:

16 Nov – Poaching/ One Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 17 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing/ Off Chagwi Island, Jeju Province, ROK/ DB181121 (Information Update from DB171121)

ROK ILO updated that the fishermen were all Chinese nationals.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20211116128300056?input=1195m>  
<http://www.jibs.co.kr/news/articles/articlesDetail/18610?feed=na>



15 Nov – Poaching/ One Chinese Fishing Vessel Detained/ 18 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/  
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## SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

16 Nov – Domestic Products/ Frozen Tuna/ Container Ship/ Port of Davao, Davao Del Sur, Philippines/ DB181121

Local authorities seized frozen tuna from a container ship at Port of Davao, Davao Del Sur, Philippines on 16 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1515425/p1-72-m-misdeclared-frozen-tuna-seized-in-davao>

<https://mb.com.ph/2021/11/16/boc-davao-seizes-2300-boxes-of-misdeclared-frozen-frigate-tuna/>

15 Nov – Drugs/ Heroin (120kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Pakistan to India/ Zinzuda Village, Morbi, Gujarat, India/ DB181121

Local authorities seized 120kg of heroin that was being smuggled from Pakistan to India on an unknown vessel at Zinzuda Village, Morbi, Gujarat, India on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/other-states/120-kg-heroin-worth-600-crore-seized-3-arrested-in-gujarat/article37499307.ece>

13 Nov – Domestic Products and Wildlife/ Electronics, Veterinary Products, Bird's Nest and Fish Maw/ Speed Boat/ Tung Chung, Lantau Island, Hong Kong/ DB181121

Local authorities seized electronics, veterinary products, bird's nest and fish maw from a speed boat at Tung Chung, Lantau Island, Hong Kong on 13 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication\\_press/press/index\\_id\\_3339.html](https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication_press/press/index_id_3339.html)

15 Nov – Wildlife/ Lobsters (890kg) and Sea Cucumbers (930kg)/ Speed Boat/ From Hong Kong to China/ Hong Kong/ DB171121

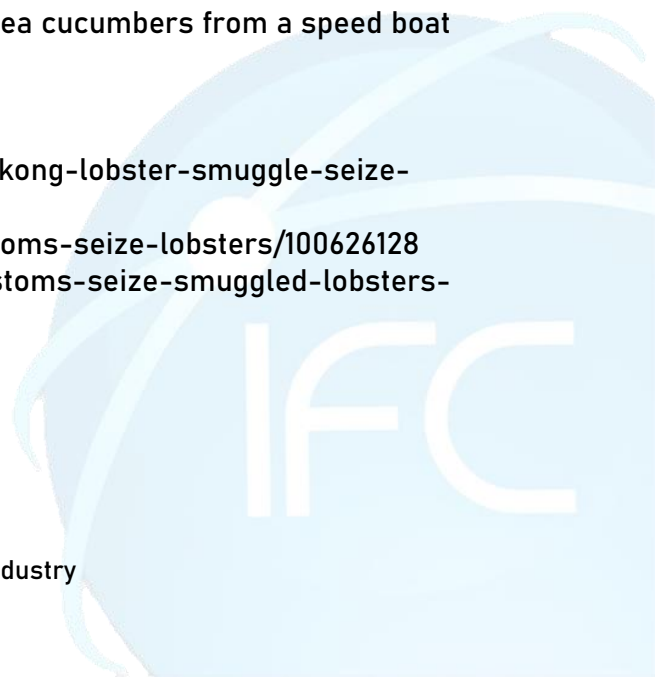
Local authorities seized 890kg of lobsters and 930kg of sea cucumbers from a speed boat bound for China in waters off Hong Kong on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/asia/australia-hong-kong-lobster-smuggle-seize-2317246>

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2021-11-17/hong-kong-customs-seize-lobsters/100626128>

<https://www.thedailytimes.com/business/hong-kong-customs-seize-smuggled-lobsters-amid-australia-ban/>



15 Nov – Drugs/ Crystal Methamphetamine (3.1kg)/ Small Boat/ Off Talaimannar, Mannar, Sri Lanka/ DB161121

On 15 Nov, the Sri Lankan Navy arrested three suspects and seized 3.1kg of crystal methamphetamine on board a small boat off Talaimannar, Mannar, Sri Lanka

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2021/11/15/202111151315/>

Outside of reporting period:

12 Nov – Drugs/ Meth/ Small Boat/ From Myanmar to Bangladesh/ Off Chera Island, Bangladesh/ DB161121

On 12 Nov, the Bangladesh Coast Guard seized methamphetamine worth 7.8 lakh (US\$1,053,725) in waters off Chera Island, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://unb.com.bd/category/bangladesh/78-lakh-yaba-pills-seized-from-st-martins-but-culprits-escape/82184>

12 Nov – Domestic Products and Wildlife/ Electronics, Abalone and Bird's Nest/ Cargo Ship/ From Hong Kong to China/ San Tin, Yuen Long, Hong Kong/ DB161121

From 05 to 12 Nov, the Hong Kong customs arrested three men and confiscated HK\$63 million (US\$8 million) worth of contraband items involving electronics, abalone, and bird nest destined for mainland China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication\\_press/press/index\\_id\\_3337.html](https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication_press/press/index_id_3337.html)

<https://sg.news.yahoo.com/cross-border-smuggling-gang-suffers-084926954.html>

11 Nov – Domestic Products/ Broccoli, Carrots and Red Onions/ Container Ship/ Barangay Catmon, Malabon, Philippines/ DB161121

On 11 Nov, the Bureau of Customs (BOC) inspected a warehouse in Barangay Catmon, Malabon, Philippines and seized imported agricultural products such as broccoli, carrots; and red onions.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.philstar.com/nation/2021/11/15/2141296/customs-seizes-p47-million-smuggled-goods-malabon>

<https://mb.com.ph/2021/11/14/boc-seizes-p4-72m-worth-of-smuggled-agricultural-products-in-malabon/>

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1912931/Manila/Local-News/P47M-smuggled-vegetables-found-in-Malabon>





12 Nov – Drugs/ Heroin (3kg)/ Container Ship/ From Pakistan to India/ Mundra Port, Gujarat, India/ DB151121

Local authorities seized 3kg of heroin that was being smuggled from Pakistan to India in a container ship at Mundra Port, Gujarat, India on 12 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://sanatanprabhat.org/english/45673.html>

11 Nov – Tobacco/ Cigarettes (125 Master Cases)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Little Santa Cruz Island, Zamboanga, Philippines/ DB151121

Local authorities seized 125 master crates of cigarettes that were being smuggled domestically in a small boat off Little Santa Cruz Island, Zamboanga, Philippines on 11 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sunstar.com.ph/article/1912941/Zamboanga/Local-News/Cops-B0C-seize-P43-M-smuggled-cigarettes>

10 Nov – Drugs/ Heroin (11.483kg) and Methamphetamine (6.168kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ Mundra Port, Kutch, Gujarat, India/ DB151121

Local authorities seized 11.483kg of heroin and 6.168kg of methamphetamine from an unknown vessel at Mundra Port, Kutch, Gujarat, India on 10 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.socialnews.xyz/2021/11/10/drugs-worth-rs-88-cr-seized-in-gujarat-one-arrested/>

08 Nov – Domestic Products/ Alcohol (627,510 Litres)/ Unknown Vessel/ Port Klang Free Zone, Pulau Indah, Malaysia/ DB151121

Local authorities seized 627,510 litres of alcohol from an unknown vessel at Port Klang Free Zone, Pulau Indah, Malaysia on 08 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

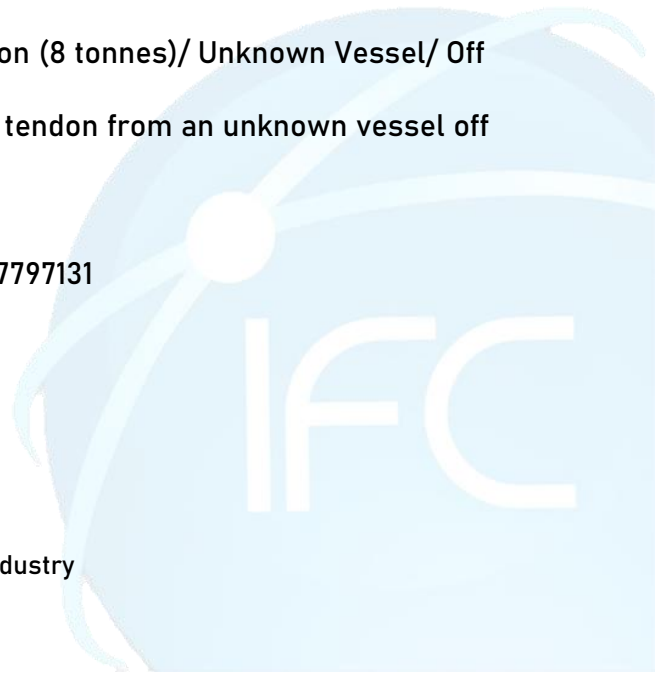
<https://www.nst.com.my/news/crime-courts/2021/11/745131/customs-dept-uncovers-3-duty-unpaid-smuggling-cases>

05 Nov – Domestic Products/ Beef Louver and Beef Tendon (8 tonnes)/ Unknown Vessel/ Off Guangdong, China/ DB151121

Local authorities seized 8 tonnes of beef louver and beef tendon from an unknown vessel off Guangdong, China on 05 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://weibo.com/ttarticle/p/show?id=2309404702662837797131>



## SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

17 Nov – Human Smuggling/ 17 Indonesian Migrants/ Tawau, Sabah, Malaysia/ DB181121

Local authorities arrested 17 Indonesian migrants for human smuggling at Tawau, Sabah, Malaysia on 17 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://headtopics.com/my/sabah-cops-seize-four-wheel-drive-arrest-18-near-tawau-22548826>

15 Nov – Human Smuggling/ 45 Indonesian Migrants/ Unknown Vessel/ Tenggara, Johor, Malaysia/ DB171121

Local authorities arrested 45 Indonesian migrants for human smuggling at Tenggara, Johor, Malaysia on 15 Nov.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2021/11/15/armed-forces-arrest-45-illegal-immigrants-off-mersing>

<https://www.facebook.com/116664360249669/posts/389233862992716/?d=n>



SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

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SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

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**SECTION I: OTHERS**

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## IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

The IFC advises:

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

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The IFC seeks your observations in the course of your normal business. The IFC would like to remind mariners to be mindful of national and international laws, company and other policy requirements and also health and safety obligations, whilst recording these observations. The reporting of such events to IFC does not absolve you of your obligations towards coastal/ port/ flag authorities.



## PAST IFC SPOT COMMENTARIES/ANALYST JOURNAL

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

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

### 2017

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

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

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

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

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

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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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