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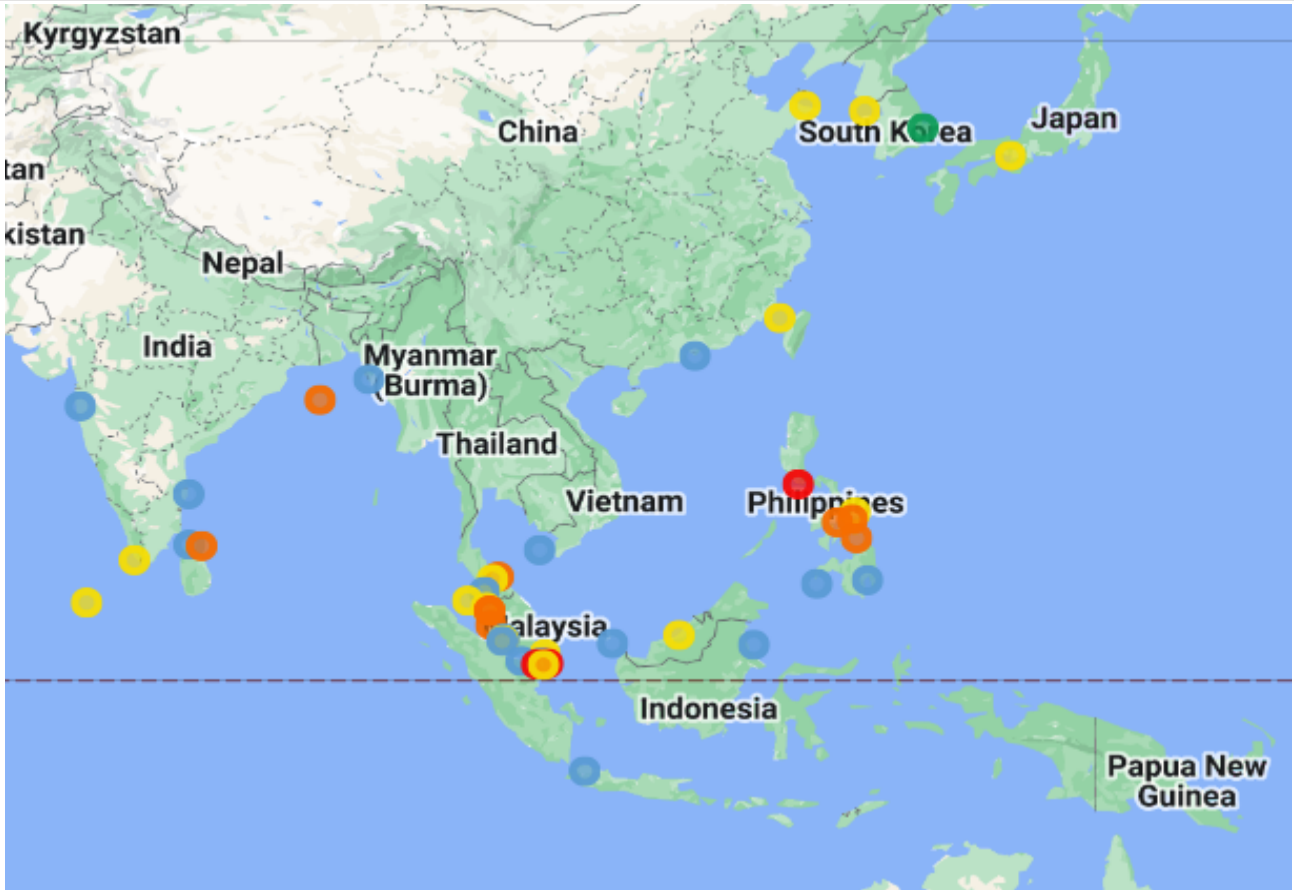
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OVERVIEW OF INCIDENTS IN THE IFC AREA OF INTEREST (AOI)



For the period of 03 Sep – 09 Sep 22, 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	5-7
Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IUUF)	0	9	8-9
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	15	10-13
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	0	14
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	1	15
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	1	16

Others

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17

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

Incidents:

07 Sep - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ Tug and Barge/ Malaysia-Flagged/ Underway/ Westbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB080922

1. POCC reported that Malaysia-flagged Tug and Barge was boarded by at least 11 perpetrators while transiting along the Westbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (1°12'41.4"N, 103°32'37.2"E) on 07 Sep 22 at 2325 (UTC +8).

2. The ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for and that the vessel does not require any assistance, and will continue her voyage to Penang, Malaysia.

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to the ship for more incident details.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

POCC

03 Sep - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ Bulk Carrier/ Singapore-Flagged/ Underway/ Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait/ DB050922

1. POCC shared that the Singapore-flagged bulk carrier was boarded by three perpetrators while transiting along the Eastbound Lane of TSS, Singapore Strait (01°16'36.6"N, 104°17'7.2"E) on 03 Sep at 0045 (UTC+8).

2. The ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for and that some generator parts were stolen. The vessel does not require any assistance and will continue her voyage to China.

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to the ship company for more incident details.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

POCC

Out of Reporting Period:

31 Aug - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ No Injury/ RO-RO Vessel/ Singapore-Flagged/ Anchored/ Batangas Port, Philippines/ DB050922

1. Laurel Ship Management Pte Ltd reported that a sea theft incident may have occurred onboard Singapore-flagged RO-RO Vessel during a cargo operation at Batangas Port, Philippines (13°45'24.0"N, 121°02'18.0"E) on 31 Aug.

2. After the cargo operation was completed, the ship departed Batangas. On 02 Sep, an inspection was conducted on the fire equipment in the cargo hold. During the inspection, the crew discovered that 14 fire hose nozzles and four hydrant spanners were missing. There were no sightings of the theft.

IFC Comments:

RFI has been sent to the ship company for more incident details. Incident was not reported to the local authorities.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IMB
CSO



SECTION B: MARITIME TERRORISM (MT)

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SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

Incidents:

05 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Two Fishing Vessels/ Saksitpitak jetty, Songkhla, Thailand/ DB090922

On 05 Sep, two fishing vessels caught fire at Saksitpitak jetty, Songkhla, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2384676/fire-destroys-fishing-boat-in-songkhla>

03 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ One Dead, 11 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Deokjeok Island, Incheon, ROK/ DB090922

On 03 Sep, one died and 11 were rescued after a fishing vessel caught fire off Deokjeok Island, Incheon, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://www.obsnews.co.kr/news/articleView.html?idxno=1365708>

https://newsis.com/view/?id=NISX20220904_0002001756&cID=10802&pID=14000

05 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Fishing Vessel/ Two Dead, Three Missing, 18 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Muthalappozhi, Kerala, India/ DB080922

On 05 Sep, two died, three went missing and 18 were rescued after a fishing vessel capsized off Muthalappozhi, Kerala, India due to bad weather.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

thehindu.com/news/national/kerala/two-dead-as-fishing-boat-capsizes-off-muthalappozhi-harbour-in-thiruvananthapuram/article65854499.ece

03 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Small Boat/ Three Dead, Four Rescued/ Off Batu Merah, Batam, Indonesia/ DB080922

On 03 Sep, three died and four were rescued after a small boat capsized off Batu Merah, Batam, Indonesia due to bad weather.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://batam.tribunnews.com/2022/09/03/cerita-korban-selamat-insiden-perahu-kano-terbaliq-di-perairan-batu-merah-batam>

05 Sep - Others/ Vessels Expelled/ 13 Fishing Vessels/ Off Perak Island, Malaysia/ DB070922

On 05 Sep, local authorities expelled 13 fishing vessels off Perak Island, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalMalaysianNavy/posts/pfbid0iDcv9zseKxiyz9tpkfyKW1ANQ2DRymHfrs9AScdmdjeBa9inKre79wDTqx1SYZDdl>

04 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Cause Unknown/ Container Vessel/ 19 Rescued/ SAR/ Taiwan Strait/ DB070922

On 04 Sep, 19 were rescued from a container vessel that caught fire in the Taiwan Strait.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39433/container-ship-fire-taiwan-strait/>

04 Sep - Collision/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel vs Fishing Vessel/ One Missing, Two Rescued/ SAR/ Sedili River, Kota Tinggi, Malaysia/ DB060922

On 04 Sep, one went missing while two were rescued after two fishing vessels collided with each other at Sedili River, Kota Tinggi, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2022/09/04/two-fishermen-injured-another-missing-in-boat-collision-off-kota-tinggi>

04 Sep - Vessel Detained/ Invalid Documentation/ Tug and Barge/ Off Tanjung Kidurong, Bintulu, Malaysia/ DB060922

On 04 Sep, local authorities detained a tug and barge off Tanjung Kidurong, Bintulu, Malaysia for invalid documentation.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

03 Sep - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Docking/ Other Ship/ Off Sungai Kembang, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB060922

On 03 Sep, local authorities detained a sand ship off Sungai Kembang, Selangor, Malaysia for unauthorised docking.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

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

04 Sep - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ Four Rescued/ SAR/ Off Pulau Kendi, Penang, Malaysia/ DB050922

On 04 Sep, four were rescued after a small boat capsized off Pulau Kendi, Penang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0m1goNHczMAn9VMsa1MivyYZFPBkyu5Bxhv1KYPQZUfuqxCP9qhcfVXFJnU9xUPdl>

04 Sep - Allision/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat vs Breakwater/ Two Dead/ Kobe Port, Japan/ DB050922

On 04 Sep, two died after a small boat allided with a breakwater at Kobe Port, Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.maritimebulletin.net/2022/09/04/skipper-and-pilot-died-in-pilot-boat-collision-kobe-video/#:~:text=Pilot%20boat%20with%205%20people%20on%20board%20collided,3%20crew%20were%20seriously%20injured.%20%E7%A5%9E%E6%88%B8%E6%B8%AF%E3%81%AE%E6%B2%96%E5%90%88%E3%81%A7%E3%83%9C%E3%83%BC%E3%83%88%E3%81%8C%E9%98%B2%E6%B3%A2%E5%A0%A4%E3%81%AB%E8%A1%9D%E7%AA%81%20%E8%88%B9%E5%93%A15%E4%BA%BA%E3%81%8C%E6%AD%BB%E5%82%B7%20%282022%E5%B9%B49%E6%9C%884%E6%97%A5%29>

Out of Reporting Period:

02 Sep - Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel/ SAR/ Off Kuredu, Maldives/ DB050922

On 02 Sep, a cargo vessel ran aground off Kuredu, Maldives.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mndf.gov.mv/mndf/en/news-article-dhiv.php?article=4008>

01 Sep - Fire-Explosion/ Fireworks/ Tanker/ SAR/ Off Yantai, Shandong, China/ DB050922

On 01 Sep, a tanker caught fire off Yantai, Shandong, China due to fireworks.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.fleetmon.com/maritime-news/2022/39397/tanker-fire-yellow-sea/>

22 Aug - Violent Confrontation/ Armed Forces of the Philippines vs New People's Army/ Small Boat/ Off Catbalogan, Samar, Philippines/ DB050922

On 22 Aug, a violent confrontation between the Armed Forces of the Philippines and the New People's Army broke out near Catbalogan, Samar, Philippines.

IFC Comments:

Investigations are still ongoing. There has been no official statement from the local authorities.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/08/23/news/national/afp-confirms-boat-explosion-in-catbalogan/1855593>



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

Incidents:

08 Sep - Local/ Two Trawlers Detained/ Five Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (Trawling and License of Fishing Vessels)/ Off Kuala Kurau Estuary, Malaysia/ DB90922

On 08 Sep, local authorities detained two trawlers and arrested five local fishermen for illegal fishing off Kuala Kurau Estuary, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0tB1qMD5Q8qmm6aZju4kdrymNvtTr4JNj41LkaWD5fnF7d2kMwTxfLGNtGWQ73Q7YI>

05 Sep - Local/ Two Fishing Vessels Detained/ Two Local and Four Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishermen and Unauthorised Fishing Area)/ Off Sembilan Island, Perak, Malaysia/ DB080922

On 05 Sep, local authorities detained two fishing vessels and arrested two local and four foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Sembilan Island, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid029F2H4gwYCecAqYR4hudrQAWLyYBe7qP3ZnaW5Nab5uEowwZp4AoExUhC7GvDj7Lxl>

06 Sep - Poaching/ One Indian Trawler Detained/ 12 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessel)/ Off Alampil, Mullaitivu, Sri Lanka/ DB070922

On 06 Sep, local authorities detained one trawler and arrested 12 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Alampil, Mullaitivu, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2022/09/06/202209061900/>

05 Sep - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Seven Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Methods (Air Compressor)/ Off Macrohon, Southern Leyte, Philippines/ DB070922

On 05 Sep, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested seven local fishermen for using illegal fishing methods off Macrohon, Southern Leyte, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mric.gov.ph/seven-suspects-arrested-for-illegal-fishing-in-macrohon-southern-leyte/>

03 Sep - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Unknown Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (Ring Net and License of Fisherman)/ Off Capoocan, Leyte, Philippines/ DB070922

On 03 Sep, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested some fishermen for illegal fishing off Capoocan, Leyte, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mric.gov.ph/illegal-fishers-arrested-in-capoocan-leyte/>

Out of Reporting Period:

31 Aug - Poaching/ Two Indian Trawlers Detained/ 31 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of Fishing Vessels)/ Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh/ DB090922

On 31 Aug, local authorities detained two Indian trawlers and arrested 31 foreign fishermen for illegal fishing in the Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/31-indian-fishermen-held-fishing-bangladesh-water-488426>

31 Aug - Poaching/ One Vietnamese Fishing Vessel Detained/ Five Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of a Fishing Vessel)/ Off Songkhla, Thailand/ DB070922

On 31 Aug, local authorities detained one Vietnamese fishing vessel and arrested five foreign fishermen for illegal fishing off Songkhla, Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalThaiNavy>

02 Sep - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ Three Local Fishermen Arrested/ Illegal Fishing (License of a Fishing Vessel)/ Off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia/ DB050922

On 02 Sep, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested three local fishermen for illegal fishing off Kuala Kurau, Perak, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02adq1pvjkqML377Aj6Nf4azJ9EeW8J4jxsn7JjuPqMpUfK3stbPyekrC1cPkeaJhtl>

01 Sep - Local/ One Fishing Vessel Detained/ One Local Fisherman Arrested/ Illegal Fishing Method (Trawling)/ Off Hilotongan Island, Bantayan, Philippines/ DB050922

On 01 Sep, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested one local fisherman for using an illegal fishing method off Hilotongan Island, Bantayan, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/HeadquartersMaritimeGroup/posts/pfbid0ccwJmm8NmVwwpWPX2LkBhasFR6pTKbxwmygetwzqxDVbN5ZbEZqXF1eTYBj29ABI>

SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

Incidents:

06 Sep - Fuel/ Diesel (70,000 litres)/ Barge/ Off Pantai Acheh, Pulau Indah, Malaysia/ DB090922

On 06 Sep, local authorities seized 70,000 litres of diesel from a barge off Pantai Acheh, Pulau Indah, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.thesundaily.my/local/kpdnhep-detains-five-men-for-alleged-diesel-smuggling-K E9789639>

06 Sep - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (200 Master Cases & 10 Reams)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Manalipa Island, Zamboanga, Philippines/ DB080922

On 06 Sep, local authorities seized 200 master cases and 10 reams of cigarettes from a small boat off Manalipa Island, Zamboanga, Philippines. The cigarettes were domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mb.com.ph/2022/09/07/p7-m-smuggled-cigarettes-intercepted-in-zamboanga-city/>

05 Sep - Natural Resources/ Red Sanders (6,500kg)/ Container Vessel/ From UAE to Taiwan/ Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong/ DB080922

On 05 Sep, local authorities seized 6,500kg of Red Sanders from a container vessel at Kwai Chung Container Terminal, Hong Kong. The Red Sanders were smuggled in from UAE and bound for Taiwan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

https://www.customs.gov.hk/en/publication__press/press/index_id_3556.html

05 Sep - Drugs/ Cannabis (37kg)/ Ashore/ To Sri Lanka/ Kilali Lagoon, Sri Lanka/ DB070922

On 05 Sep, local authorities seized 37kg of cannabis ashore at Kilali Lagoon, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://news.navy.lk/oparation-news/2022/09/06/202209061015/>

03 Sep - Drugs/ Meth (2.1kg) and Yaba (30,000 Pills)/ Small Boat/ Off Jaliapara, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh/ DB050922

On 03 Sep, local authorities seized 2.1kg of meth and 30,000 pills of yaba from a small boat off Jaliapara, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/nation/2022/09/03/bgb-seizes-drugs-worth-12c-in-coxs-bazar>

Out of Reporting Period:

26 Jul - Drugs/ Heroin (130kg)/ Container Vessel/ From Iran to India/ Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India/ DB90922

On 26 Jul, local authorities seized 130kg of heroin from a container vessel at Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India. The heroin was smuggled in from Iran.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.nationalheraldindia.com/india/delhi-police-seize-330-kg-of-heroin-this-week-alone-during-ongoing-crackdown>

01 Sep - Domestic Products/ Automobile (1 Car)/ Container Vessel/ From Japan to Philippines/ Port of Davao, Davao del Sur, Philippines/ DB080922

On 01 Sep, local authorities seized a car from a container vessel at Port of Davao, Davao del Sur, Philippines. The car was smuggled in from Japan.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/BureauOfCustomsPH/posts/pfbid0f4hBPmLF9guGe2g1wWfMzMovFwq7S8Wqc7uik1Ua4s6LSCitf9ysJmMYAzaVAcrul>

16 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (1 Package)/ Speed Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Mangku Padi, North Kalimantan, Indonesia/ DB080922

On 16 Aug, local authorities seized one package of meth from a speed boat off Mangku Padi, North Kalimantan, Indonesia. The meth was domestically smuggled.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.beacukai.go.id/berita/jalin-sinergi-bea-cukai-tarakan-berhasil-ungkap-penyelundupan-narkoba.html>

27 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (40kg)/ Small Boat/ From Malaysia to Indonesia/ Kambung River, Bengkalis, Indonesia/ DB070922

On 27 Aug, local authorities seized 40kg of meth from a small boat at Kambung River, Bengkalis, Indonesia. The meth was smuggled in from Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/123/polisi-riau-gagalkan-peredaran-40-kilogram-sabu-di-perairan-bengkalis>

<https://riau.antaranews.com/berita/300737/polisi-riau-gagalkan-peredaran-40-kilogram-sabu-di-perairan-bengkalis>

03 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (312.4kg) and Heroin (10kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Iran to India/ Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India/ DB070922

On 03 Aug, local authorities seized 312.4kg of meth and 10kg of heroin from a vessel at Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India. The meth was smuggled in from Iran.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.jagran.com/delhi/new-delhi-city-ncr-revealed-in-the-heroin-case-of-1200-crores-used-to-bring-to-chennai-by-ship-from-the-port-of-iran-jagran-special-23048814.html>

02 Aug - Drugs/ Meth (44kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ From Myanmar to Indonesia/ West Jakarta, Indonesia/ DB060922

On 02 Aug, local authorities seized 44kg of meth from a vessel at West Jakarta, Indonesia. The meth was smuggled in from Myanmar.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://en.antaranews.com/news/247789/west-jakarta-police-seize-44-kg-meth-smuggled-from-myanmar>

02 Sep - Fuel/ Diesel (75,000 litres)/ Two Fishing Vessels/ Off Phu Quoc Island, Kien Giang Province, Viet Nam/ DB050922

On 02 Sep, local authorities seized 75,000 litres of diesel from two fishing vessels off Phu Quoc Island, Kien Giang Province, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baotintuc.vn/phap-luat/canh-sat-bien-lien-tiep-bat-giu-tau-van-chuyen-75-ngan-lit-da-u-do-trai-phep-20220903162644869.htm>

01 Sep - Wildlife/ Prawn Seeds (256 Bags)/ Small Boat/ From Thailand to Malaysia/ Off Kurung Tengar, Perlis, Malaysia/ DB050922

On 01 Sep, local authorities seized 256 bags of prawn seeds from a small boat off Kurung Tengar, Perlis, Malaysia. The seeds were smuggled in from Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://suaramerdeka.com.my/dua-nelayan-gagal-seludup-masuk-256-bungkusan-benih-udang/>

30 Aug - Domestic Products/ Alcohol (42,630 litres)/ Container Vessel/ To Malaysia/ Port Klang, Selangor, Malaysia/ DB050922

On 30 Aug, local authorities seized a total of 42,630 litres of alcohol at Port Klang, Selangor, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sinarharian.com.my/article/219561/berita/semasa/kastam-rampas-minuman-keras-seludup-bernilai-rm156-juta>

29 Aug - Natural Resources/ Logs (200)/ Small Boat/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Seraja Island, Riau Islands, Indonesia/ DB050922

On 29 Aug, local authorities seized 200 logs from a small boat off Seraja Island, Riau Islands, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://imic.bakamla.go.id/berita/details/121/ditpolairud-polda-kepri-tangkap-kapal-muatan-kayu-di-perairan-pulau-seraya-batam>



SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

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SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

Incidents:

Out of Reporting Period:

28 Jul – MARPOL/ Solid/ Dumped Fish/ Shore Pollution/ Jangsa Beach, Yeongdeok, North Gyeongsang, ROK/ DB080922

On 28 Jul, more than 1,000 dead tunas washed up on Jangsa Beach in Yeongdeok Island, North Gyeongsang, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://koreajoongangdaily.joins.com/2022/09/05/business/economy/Korea-Gangwon-Gangneung/20220905182738470.html>



SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

Incidents:

Out of Reporting Period:

31 Aug - CYBSEC/ Personal Data/ Non-Critical Operational Data/ Sembcorp Marine Ltd/ Singapore/ DB050922

Recently, Sembcorp Marine Ltd discovered a cybersecurity incident where an unauthorised party accessed part of its IT network via third-party software products.

IFC Comments:

The article date was used as the incident date is unknown.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.sembmarine.com/stock-exchange-announcements/sembcorp-marine-reports-cyber-incident-moves-to-address-incident-and-support-affected-stakeholders>



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 and Eastbound Lane of Traffic Separation Scheme in Singapore Strait).
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 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 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.

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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