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



For the period of 29 Mar – 05 Apr 24, 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	5	2-4
Maritime Terrorism (MT)	0	0	5
Maritime Incidents (MI)	0	9	5-7
Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF)	0	8	8-9
Contraband Smuggling (CS)	0	19	10-14
Irregular Human Migration (IHM)	0	2	15
Environmental Security (ENVSEC)	0	1	16
Cyber Security (CYBSEC)	0	0	17
Others	0	0	18

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

### Incidents:

29 Mar - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Cargo Ship, Marshall Islands-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh/ DB030424

Ship and security personnel onboard an anchored ship noticed three people in a boat attempting to gain access to the ship using a rope and hook. The alarm was raised and crew mustered, resulting in the people aborting and moving away.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS)

31 Mar - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Tug and Barge, Indonesia-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB010424

The Indonesian Navy (TNI AL), in this case the First Fleet Quick Response (F1QR) of the Tanjung Balai Karimun Navy Base (Lanal), succeeded in thwarting and arresting four perpetrators of the crime of theft at sea around the waters of Tanjung Balai Karimun on 31 Mar.

The incident started with the information that there was a plan to return home a group of illegal Indonesian Migrant Workers (TKI) from Malaysia who passed through Karimun Anak waters, which the F1QR team managed to detect. After carrying out surveillance for several hours, the ship suspected of being used to commit theft at sea was detected and was immediately inspected.

From the results of the examination, cable trosses, dampers, riding buoys, as well as tools such as hacksaws, machetes and hammer was found, and the perpetrator admitted carried out theft of on a tug and barge.

The four perpetrators and the evidence were taken to Lanal TBK Pier to carry out further investigations and legal proceedings.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/TNI AngkatanLaut.Official/posts/pfbid031EKtFZd7a1Ys2nJbhf7VMY9zQ6PnXrGiqfHSj8gXUtzyszSK9vXihQBt35noMrg3Al>

[https://libasjatim.com/tni-al-berhasil-gagalkan-pencurian-di-perairan-tanjung-balai-karimun/?utm\\_source=ReviveOldPost&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=ReviveOldPost](https://libasjatim.com/tni-al-berhasil-gagalkan-pencurian-di-perairan-tanjung-balai-karimun/?utm_source=ReviveOldPost&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=ReviveOldPost)

30 Mar - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Liberia-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait/ DB010424

1. POCC reported that an unauthorised boarding involving a Liberia-flagged bulk carrier as the vessel transited along the Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait (01 03.43N 103 39.22E) on 30 Mar 24 at 0014 (UTC +8). Crew reportedly sighted 3 perpetrators armed with knives inside engine room and have since fled upon raising alarm.

2. Ship master reported that all crew are safe and accounted for, and checks is still ongoing. 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 of Control Centre (POCC)

IFC Comments:

Indonesia ILO highlighted that one of their assets was in the vicinity and responded to the incident

29 Mar - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Bulk Carrier, Panama-Flagged/ No Injury/ Anchored/ Kutubdia Anchorage, Bangladesh/ DB010424

1. On 29 Mar, at around 08:00 (UTC+6), information was received from the BCG Ops Room regarding a petty theft incident that occurred on board a bulk carrier on 28 Mar. The ship was anchored at Kutubdia Anchorage.

2. Upon receiving the information, BCGS APURBO BANGLA communicated with the ship through VHF and proceeded towards the vessel. The BCGS APURBO BANGLA boarding team boarded the vessel via Metal Shark 4.

3. The captain of the bulk carrier confirmed that all crews are safe.

4. The incident was not reported to BCG or CPA. BCG came to know about the matter via an IMB email. During the investigation, it was found that there was no port authorised watchman. However, after the incident, the shipping agent sent a local watchman on 28 Mar. The ship couldn't provide any pictures or CCTV footage of the incident or thieves.

5. A NOC has been obtained from the captain.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

IMB

India ILO and Bangladesh ILO from IFC IOR

IFC

**Out of Reporting Period:**

26 Mar - Boarding/ Sea Theft/ Tug, Palau-Flagged/ No Injury/ Underway/ Malacca Strait, Malaysia/ DB010424

Four unauthorised persons in a fishing boat came alongside and boarded the drill ship towed by an offshore tug. The Master requested assistance from the IMB Piracy Centre who in turn contacted the MMEA, resulting in a patrol boat being dispatched to the location. A search around the tow was carried out. No unauthorised persons were found. The vessel continued her journey.

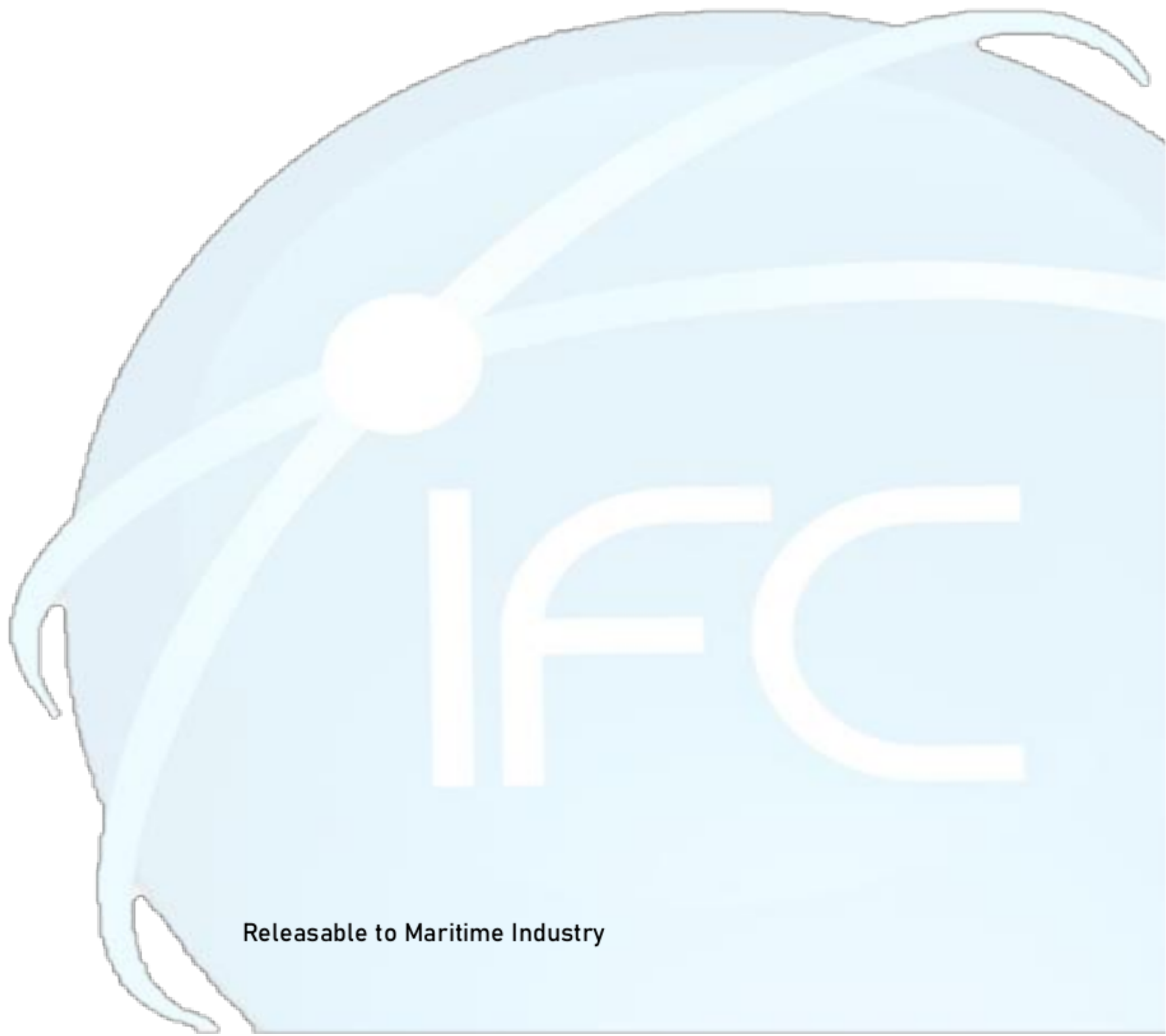
**News Link(s)/ Info Source:**

Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GSIS)



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

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## SECTION C: MARITIME INCIDENTS (MI)

### Incidents:

04 Apr - Fire-Explosion/ Equipment Failure/ Passenger Ferry/ 108 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Ko Tao Island, Gulf of Thailand, Thailand/ DB050424

On 4 Apr, a passenger ferry caught fire due to equipment failure off Ko Tao Island, Gulf of Thailand, Thailand. SAR was conducted and there were 108 rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.newsnationnow.com/world/international-headlines/ap-people-jump-into-the-sea-to-escape-raging-ferry-fire-in-gulf-of-thailand-all-108-on-board-are-safe/>

04 Apr - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ Unknown Fishermen Rescued/ SAR/ Cartier Island, Australia/ DB050424

On 4 Apr, a fishing vessel sank due to unknown cause in Cartier Island, Australia. SAR was conducted and there were six fishermen stranded on land awaiting for rescue.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

AMSA Incident 2024/2826

31 Mar - Equipment Failure/ Water Ingress/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Fangchenggang, China/ DB050424

On 31 Mar, a fishing vessel experienced equipment failure due to water ingress off Fangchenggang, China. SAR was conducted and there were two rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://new.qq.com/rain/a/20240404A03IIN00>

03 Apr - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Passenger Vessel vs Barge/ 88 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Isla Verde, Batangas, Philippines/ DB040424

On 3 Apr, a passenger vessel collided with a barge due to an unknown cause off Isla Verde, Batangas, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 88 rescued.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mb.com.ph/2024/4/2/passenger-ship-collides-with-barge-off-isla-verde-in-batangas-1-hurt-1>

03 Apr - Collision-Grounding/ Cause Unknown/ Cargo Vessel Vs Fishing Vessel/ 8 Missing/ SAR/ Off Ledong, China/ DB040424

On 3 Apr, a cargo vessel collided with a fishing vessel due to an unknown cause off Ledong, China. SAR is still ongoing and there are eight missing.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.chinanews.com.cn/sh/2024/04-03/10192923.shtml>

30 Mar - Vessel Detained/ Unauthorised Operation/ Cargo Ship/ Off Busan, ROK/ DB040424

On 30 Mar, a cargo ship was detained due to unauthorised operation off Busan, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://maritime-executive.com/article/south-korea-detains-stateless-cargo-ship-investigating-sanctions-violations>

30 Mar - Sunk-Capsized/ Bad Weather/ Passenger Vessel/ 14 Rescued/ SAR/ Barangay San Rafael, Quezon, Philippines/ DB010424

On 30 Mar, a passenger vessel capsized due to bad weather in Barangay San Rafael, Quezon, Philippines. SAR was conducted and there were 14 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1924275/14-rescued-after-their-motorboat-capsized-in-the-waters-off-polillo-island>

Out of Reporting Period:

26 Mar - Adrift/ Cause Unknown/ Fishing Vessel/ 2 Rescued/ Solomon Sea, Papua New Guinea/ DB040424

On 26 Mar, a fishing vessel was adrift due to an unknown cause in Solomon Sea, Papua New Guinea. Two fishermen onboard the fishing vessel were rescued by another fishing vessel in the vicinity.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.postcourier.com.pg/png-boat-rescued-by-chinese-vessel-at-solomon-sea/>

28 Mar - Sunk-Capsized/ Cause Unknown/ Small Boat/ 18 Rescued/ SAR/ Off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia/ DB010424

On 28 Mar, a small boat sank due to unknown cause off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia. SAR was conducted and there were 18 rescued.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://thesun.my/cerita/berita/apmm-selamat-18-pendatang-tanpa-izin-mangsa-bot-karam-IG12279212>

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

### Incidents:

04 Apr - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 3 Small Boats Detained/ 5 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-Permitted Species/ Off Achchankulam, Mannar, Sri Lanka / DB050424

On 4 Apr, local authorities detained three small boats and arrested five local fishermen for fishing non-permitted species off Achchankulam, Mannar, Sri Lanka.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dailynews.lk/2024/04/04/admin-catagories/breaking-news/481747/five-arrested-for-transferring-illegally-harvested-sea-cucumber/>

02 Apr - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing Non-Permitted Species/ Palk Strait, India/ DB040424

On 2 Apr, local authorities detained one fishing vessel and arrested four fishermen for fishing non-permitted species in the Palk Strait, India.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://twitter.com/IndiaCoastGuard>

01 Apr - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Small Boat Detained/ 5 Local Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Agutaya, Palawan, Philippines/ DB040424

On 1 Apr, local authorities detained one small boat and arrested five local fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Agutaya, Palawan, Philippines.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://palawan-news.com/authorities-foil-illegal-fishing-in-agutaya/>

### Out of Reporting Period:

08 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 6 Fishing Vessels Detained/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Sanya, China/ DB040424

On 8 Mar, local authorities detained six fishing vessels for fishing with illegal gear off Sanya, China.

#### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1793186995103121748&wfr=spider&for=pc>

25 Mar - Poaching/ Illegal Fishing/ 5 Chinese Fishing Vessels Detained/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas and Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Yeonpyeong, ROK/ DB030424

On 25 Mar, local authorities detained five Chinese fishing vessels for fishing in prohibited areas and fishing with illegal gear off Yeonpyeong, ROK.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.kihoilbo.co.kr/news/articleView.html?idxno=1081627>

28 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 4 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing in Prohibited Areas/ Off Pulau Kendi, Penang, Malaysia/ DB010424

On 28 Mar, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel and arrested four foreign fishermen for fishing in prohibited areas off Pulau Kendi, Penang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid02arAWKDZU7NdsEDfJ2Z3scJZBtd4xW73CKWa2dCA93P1Gy5FefWNM6HJMxDwxAjobl>

27 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 1 Local Fishing Vessel Detained/ 2 Local and 3 Foreign Fishermen Arrested/ License of Fishing Vessel/ Off Tioman Island, Pahang, Malaysia/ DB010424

On 27 Mar, local authorities detained one local fishing vessel. They also arrested two local and three foreign fishermen for invalid license of fishing vessel off Tioman Island, Pahang, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/maritimmalaysia/posts/pfbid0ChkBBdP99ZS8jbto9S5YbJeV7K1eJyUf2dJiH81SWR4fQYf2oGiapHrKApR3612vl>

26 Mar - Local/ Illegal Fishing/ 4 Fishing Vessels Detained/ 37 Fishermen Arrested/ Fishing with Illegal Gear/ Off Murud Janjira, India/ DB010424

On 26 Mar, local authorities detained four fishing vessels and arrested 37 foreign fishermen for fishing with illegal gear off Murud Janjira, India.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.facebook.com/IndianCoastGuard?\\_\\_cft\\_\\_\[0\]=AZUd65Xk893l3D\\_JS0m\\_0xoQo3ZUqYtlxhdXlLxS\\_wUnziA64EpTxY85kncXMhRk-KIZ48NBizhswU594rUkxqAgADTVcPs0e4g2\\_FsNzhonkB9mrg4oo\\_HhXEJ64SI04hzrck5\\_4wBDarILui-odt0EzKmpZXTbg2cMFEAou4rPUAs-AP7qikmiL4szBlSutGA&\\_\\_tn\\_\\_=%3C%3C%2CP-R](https://www.facebook.com/IndianCoastGuard?__cft__[0]=AZUd65Xk893l3D_JS0m_0xoQo3ZUqYtlxhdXlLxS_wUnziA64EpTxY85kncXMhRk-KIZ48NBizhswU594rUkxqAgADTVcPs0e4g2_FsNzhonkB9mrg4oo_HhXEJ64SI04hzrck5_4wBDarILui-odt0EzKmpZXTbg2cMFEAou4rPUAs-AP7qikmiL4szBlSutGA&__tn__=%3C%3C%2CP-R)

## SECTION E: CONTRABAND SMUGGLING (CS)

### Incidents:

03 Apr - Domestic Products/ Rice (6,000kg), Urea Fertilizer (5,000kg), Wheat Flour (209 Boxes), Sugar (360kg) and Gas Cylinder (350kg)/ Cargo Ship/ From Malaysia to Philippines/ Off Guhuan Island, Sulu Sea/ DB050424

On 3 Apr, local authorities seized 6,000kg of rice, 5,000kg of urea fertilizer, 209 boxes of wheat flour, 360kg of sugar and 350kg of gas cylinder onboard a cargo ship off Guhuan Island, Sulu Sea.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
[https://fb.watch/reRS8xc\\_2H/](https://fb.watch/reRS8xc_2H/)

02 Apr - Tobacco/Tendu Leaves (469.5kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Sri Lanka/ Mampuri Beach, Norochcholai, Sri Lanka/ DB040424

On 2 Apr, local authorities seized 469.5kg of tendu leaves onboard an unknown vessel in Mampuri Beach, Norochcholai, Sri Lanka.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://news.navy.lk/operation-news/2024/04/02/202404021600/>

02 Apr - Drugs and Tobacco/ Marijuana (82kg) and Vape (1,881 Pens)/ Container Vessel/ From Thailand to Philippines/ Manila International Container Port, Philippines/ DB040424

On 2 Apr, local authorities seized 82kg of marijuana and 1,881 pens of vape onboard a container vessel at Manila International Container Port, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:  
<https://manilastandard.net/news/national/314432005/boc-confiscates-p102m-smuggled-marijuana-vapes.html>

01 Apr - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (960,000 Sticks)/ Small Boat/ From Thailand to Malaysia/ Off Pantai Cahaya Bulan, Kelantan, Malaysia/ DB040424

On 1 Apr, local authorities seized 960,000 sticks of cigarettes onboard a small boat off Pantai Cahaya Bulan, Kelantan, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.astroawani.com/berita-malaysia/kastam-kelantan-rampas-rokok-bernilai-lebih-rm700000-termasuk-cukai-465082?utm\\_source=grid&utm\\_medium=microsite&utm\\_campaign=20240403%20Grid&\\_gl=1\\*1v04id0\\*\\_ga\\*MTcxOTQzMDE3Ny4xNzA5NzMzMDgx\\*\\_ga\\_2WBWP426R6\\*MTcxMjE1NTU1OC40LjAuMTcxMjE1NTU1OC42MC4wLjE4OTMzMzgz0Nzl.&\\_ga=2.178764900.155433432.1712107109-1719430177.1709733081](https://www.astroawani.com/berita-malaysia/kastam-kelantan-rampas-rokok-bernilai-lebih-rm700000-termasuk-cukai-465082?utm_source=grid&utm_medium=microsite&utm_campaign=20240403%20Grid&_gl=1*1v04id0*_ga*MTcxOTQzMDE3Ny4xNzA5NzMzMDgx*_ga_2WBWP426R6*MTcxMjE1NTU1OC40LjAuMTcxMjE1NTU1OC42MC4wLjE4OTMzMzgz0Nzl.&_ga=2.178764900.155433432.1712107109-1719430177.1709733081)

31 Mar - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (45 Boxes)/ Ashore/ From Indonesia to Philippines/ Indanan Sulu, Philippines/ DB030424

On 31 Mar, local authorities seized 45 boxes of cigarettes in Indanan Sulu, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://qa.philstar.com/nation/2024/04/02/2344742/cops-seize-45-boxes-imported-cigarettes-sulu>

30 Mar - Drugs/ Cocaine (52kg)/ Ashore/ Go Cong Beach, Viet Nam/ DB030424

On 30 Mar, local authorities seized 52kg of cocaine in Go Cong Beach, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<http://baoapbac.vn/phap-luat-an-ninh-trat-tu/202403/phat-hien-52-tui-chat-ran-nghi-la-ma-tuy-troi-dat-vao-de-bien-go-cong-1006737/>  
<https://www.sggp.org.vn/hang-chuc-goi-bot-nghi-ma-tuy-tong-hop-troi-dat-vao-bo-bien-go-cong-post733063.html>

29 Mar - Drugs/ Cocaine (21kg)/ Ashore/ Ba Ria-Vung Tau Beach, Viet Nam/ DB020424

On 29 Mar, local authorities seized 21kg of cocaine in Ba Ria-Vung Tau Beach, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://cand.com.vn/Ban-tin-113/lai-thu-giu-hang-chuc-kg-nghi-ma-tuy-tren-bo-bien-ba-ria-vung-tau-i726833/>

30 Mar - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (1,000 Master Cases)/ Fishing Vessel/ Domestic Smuggling/ Off Glan, Sarangani, Philippines/ DB010424

On 30 Mar, local authorities seized 1,000 master cases of cigarettes onboard a fishing vessel off Glan, Sarangani, Philippines.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mb.com.ph/2024/3/31/cops-recover-p21-m-smuggled-cigarettes-in-sarangani>

Out of Reporting Period:

21 Mar - Tobacco/ Tobacco Leaves (80 Tons)/ Cargo Ship/ To China/ Off Fangchenggang, China/ DB050424

On 21 Mar, local authorities seized 80 tons of tobacco leaves onboard a cargo ship off Fangchenggang, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1794143309786595738&wfr=spider&for=pc>

26 Mar - Fuel/ Diesel Oil (60,000 Litres)/ Fishing Vessel/ From Thailand to Viet Nam/ Songkhla, Thailand, Gulf of Thailand/ DB040424

On 26 Mar, local authorities seized 60,000 litres of diesel oil onboard a fishing vessel in Songkhla, Thailand, Gulf of Thailand.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://mgronline.com/south/detail/9670000026600>

19 Mar - Domestic Products/ Frozen Goods (75 Tons)/ Fishing Vessel/ Off Rudong, China/ DB040424

On 19 Mar, local authorities seized 75 tons of frozen goods onboard a fishing vessel off Rudong, China.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://baijiahao.baidu.com/s?id=1794056478000219637&wfr=spider&for=pc>

27 Mar - Fuel and Drugs/ Petrol (135 Litres) and Cannabis (0.0028kg)/ Speed Boat/ From Indonesia/ Youtefa Bay Jayapura Papua, Indonesia/ DB030424

On 27 Mar, local authorities seized 135 litres of petrol and 0.0028kg of cannabis onboard a speed boat in Youtefa Bay Jayapura Papua, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.tnial.mil.id/berita/69482/BAWA-GANJA,-4-ORANG-WNA-PELINTAS-BATAS-RI---PNG-DIAMANKAN-TIM-XQR-SATROL-LANTAMAL-X-DAN-POSAL-SKOW-SAE/>

23 Mar - Wildlife/ Ivory (1,580kg)/ Container Vessel/ To Viet Nam/ Hai Phong Port, Viet Nam/ DB030424

On 23 Mar, local authorities seized 1,580kg of ivory onboard a container vessel at Hai Phong Port, Viet Nam.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://canhsatbien.vn/phat-hien-thu-giu-gan-1-6-tan-nga-voi-nhap-lau/11802/81>

28 Mar - Domestic Products/ Mangoes (19,800kg)/ Small Boat/ To Indonesia/ Off Meranti Bunting, Indonesia/ DB020424

On 28 Mar, local authorities seized 19,800kg of mangoes onboard a small boat off Meranti Bunting, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://riau.suara.com/read/2024/03/28/151351/belasan-ribu-kg-mangga-ilegal-asal-malaysia-dimusnahkan-bea-cukai-bengkalis>

28 Mar - Drugs/ Meth (4kg)/ Unknown Vessel/ To Indonesia/ Nongsa, Batam, Indonesia/ DB020424

On 28 Mar, local authorities seized 4kg of meth onboard an unknown vessel in Nongsa, Batam, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://daerah.sindonews.com/read/1349553/707/jaringan-narkoba-internasional-incar-perairan-batam-penyelundupan-sabu-hampir-3-kg-digagalkan-1711623824>

27 Mar - Tobacco/ Cigarettes (101,600 Sticks)/ Car Carrier/ To Indonesia/ Labuan Bajo Multipurpose Port, Indonesia/ DB020424

On 27 Mar, local authorities seized 101,600 sticks of cigarettes onboard a car carrier at Labuan Bajo Multipurpose Port, Indonesia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://kupang.antaranews.com/berita/128619/lanal-labuan-bajo-gagalkan-peredaran-rokok-diduga-ilegal>

19 Mar - Domestic Products/ Iron (221 Coils)/ Container Vessel/ West Port, Malaysia/ DB020424

On 19 Mar, local authorities seized 221 coils of iron onboard a container vessel at West Port, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/kes/2024/03/1229323/kastam-rampas-tembakau-sedut-gegelung-besi-minuman-keras-bernilai-rm2059#google\\_vignette](https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/kes/2024/03/1229323/kastam-rampas-tembakau-sedut-gegelung-besi-minuman-keras-bernilai-rm2059#google_vignette)

18 Mar - Domestic Products/ Liquor (51,228 Litres)/ Container Vessel/ West Port, Malaysia/ DB020424

On 18 Mar, local authorities seized 51,228 litres of liquor onboard a container vessel at West Port, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

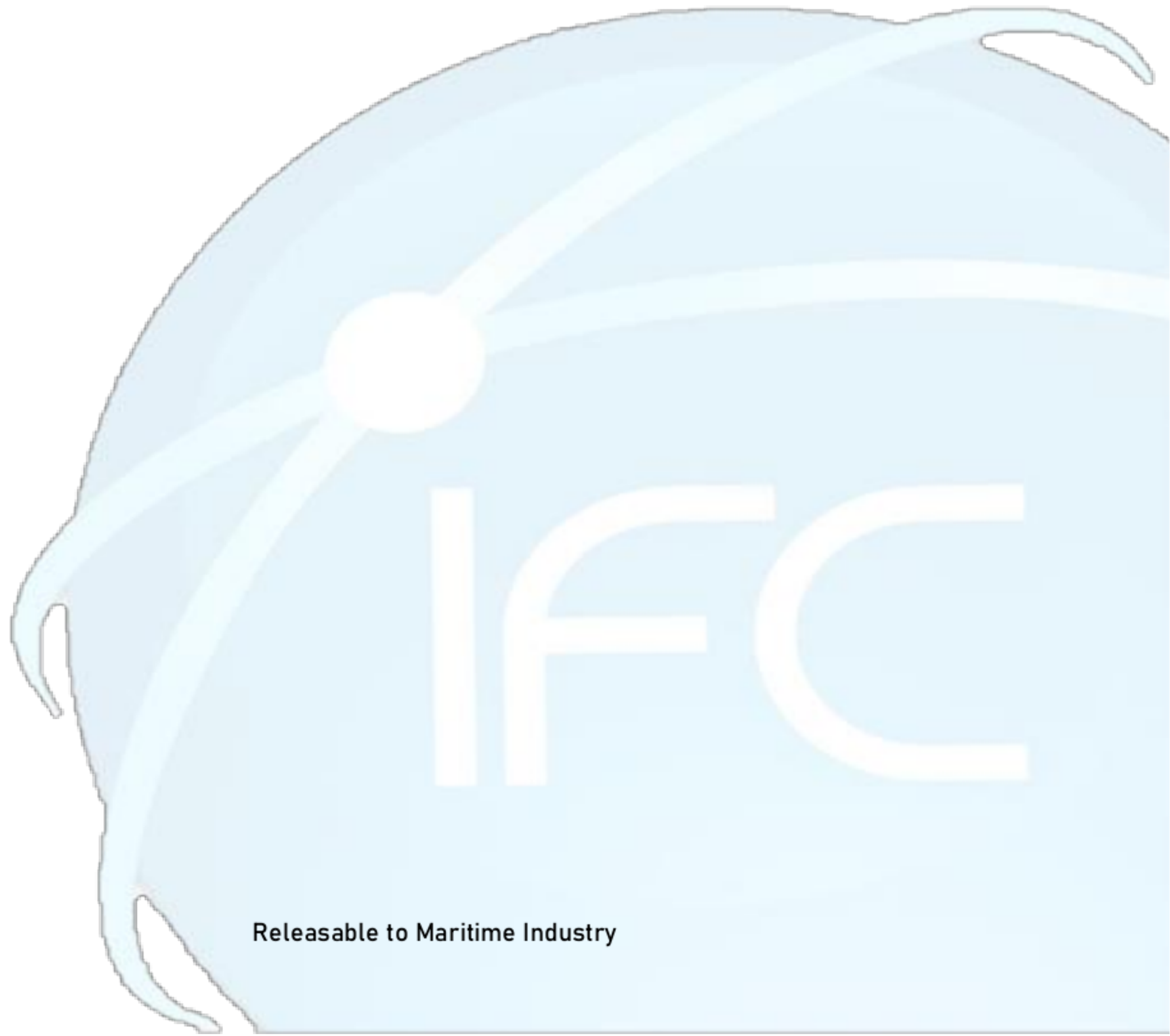
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18 Mar - Tobacco/ Tobacco (17,500kg)/ Container Vessel/ To Malaysia/ North Port RMCD, Malaysia/ DB020424

On 18 Mar, local authorities seized 17,500kg of tobacco onboard a container vessel at North Port RMCD, Malaysia.

News Link(s)/ Info Source:

[https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/kes/2024/03/1229323/kastam-rampas-tembakau-sedut-gegelung-besi-minuman-keras-bernilai-rm2059#google\\_vignette](https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/kes/2024/03/1229323/kastam-rampas-tembakau-sedut-gegelung-besi-minuman-keras-bernilai-rm2059#google_vignette)



## SECTION F: IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION (IHM)

### Out of Reporting Period:

28 Mar - Irregular Human Migration/ Speed Boat/ 7 Filipino Migrants/ From Philippines to Sabah/ Off Palau Bum Bum, Celebes Sea/ DB020424

On 28 Mar, local authorities detained a speed boat and arrested seven Filipino migrants for irregular human migration off Palau Bum Bum, Celebes Sea.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://www.dailyexpress.com.my/news/231598/boat-carrying-illegals-/>

28 Mar - Irregular Human Migration/ Small Boat/ 18 Indonesian Migrants/ From Indonesia to Malaysia/ Off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia/ DB010424

On 28 Mar, local authorities detained a small boat and arrested 18 Indonesian migrants for irregular human migration off Kuala Selangor, Malaysia.

### News Link(s)/ Info Source:

<https://thesun.my/cerita/berita/apmm-selamat-18-pendatang-tanpa-izin-mangsa-bot-karam-IG12279212>



## SECTION G: ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ENVSEC)

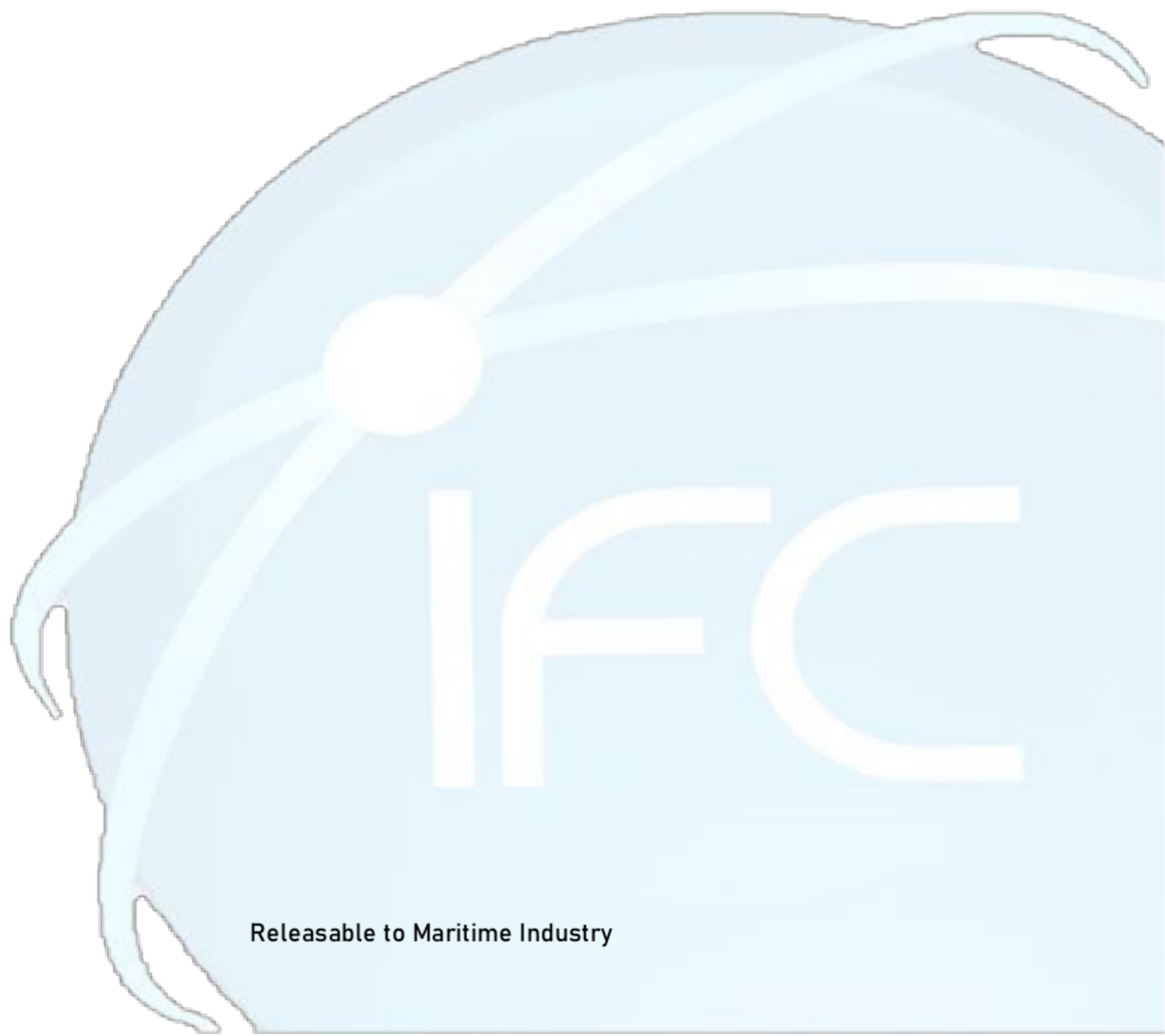
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31 Mar - MARPOL/ Gas/ Fishing Vessel/ Lae, Morobe, Papua New Guinea/ DB040424

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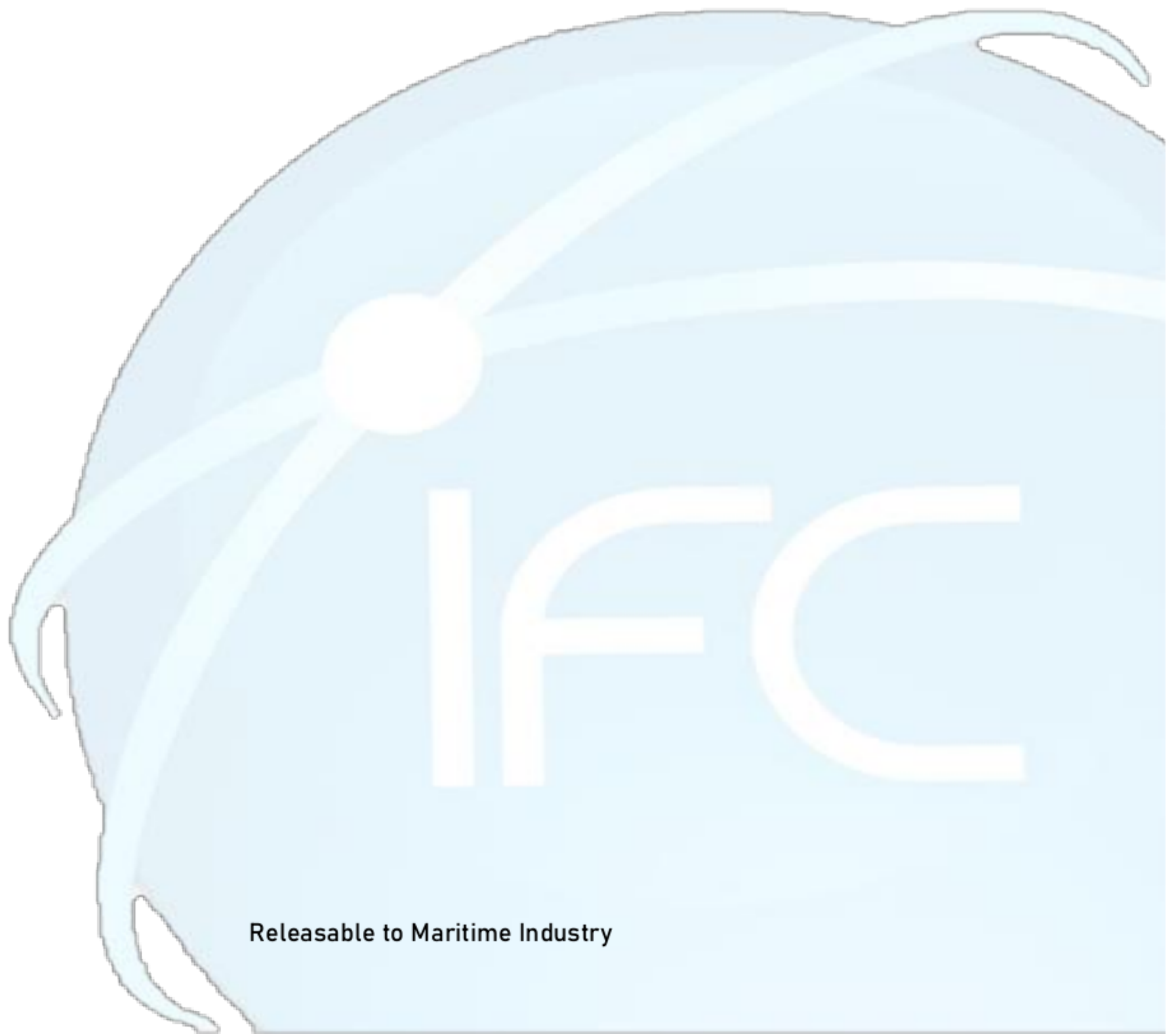
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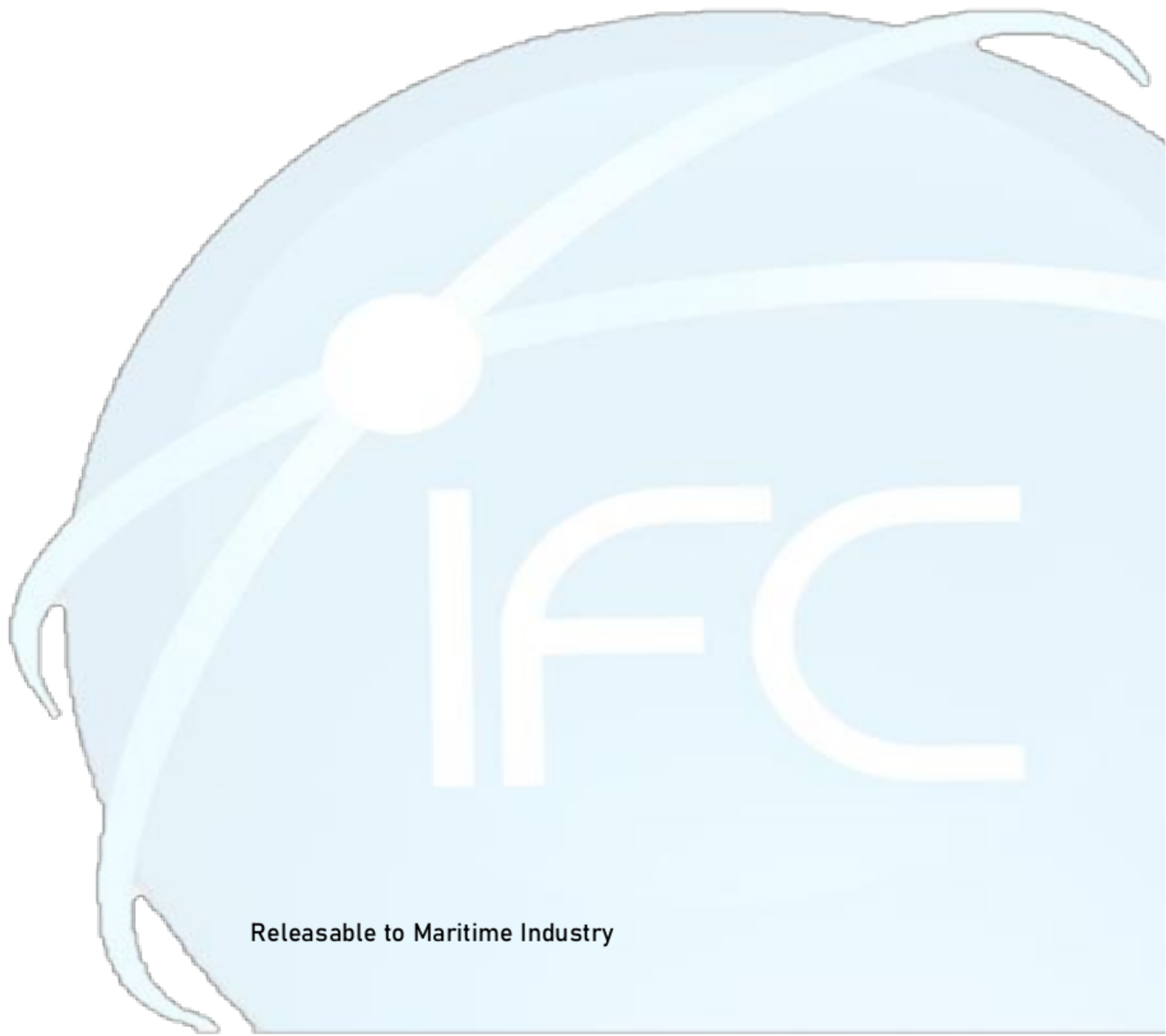
SECTION H: CYBER SECURITY (CYBSEC)

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SECTION I: OTHERS

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## IFC RECOMMENDATIONS

The IFC advises:

1. All mariners 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

### 2023

IFC Spot Commentary 01/23 – Observations of Three TRAPS Incidents in One Night, Phillip Channel, Singapore Strait

### 2022

IFC Spot Commentary 01/22 – Observations of Sea Theft Incidents Involving Tugs and Barges in Waters off Tanjung Piai and Eastbound Lane of Singapore Strait in 2022

### 2021

IFC Spot Commentary 01/21 – Observations of Sea Robbery and Sea Theft in Manila South Harbour Anchorage, Philippines

### 2020

Spot Commentary 2/20 – Observations of Sea Theft and Attempted Actions Incidents in Eastbound Land of Singapore Strait

Analyst Journal 2/20 – Observations of Rohingya Migrants' Movement within the IFC Area of Interest (AOI)

Analyst Journal 1/20 – Sea Robberies, Sea Thefts and Attempted Actions in the Singapore Strait and Approaches

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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.

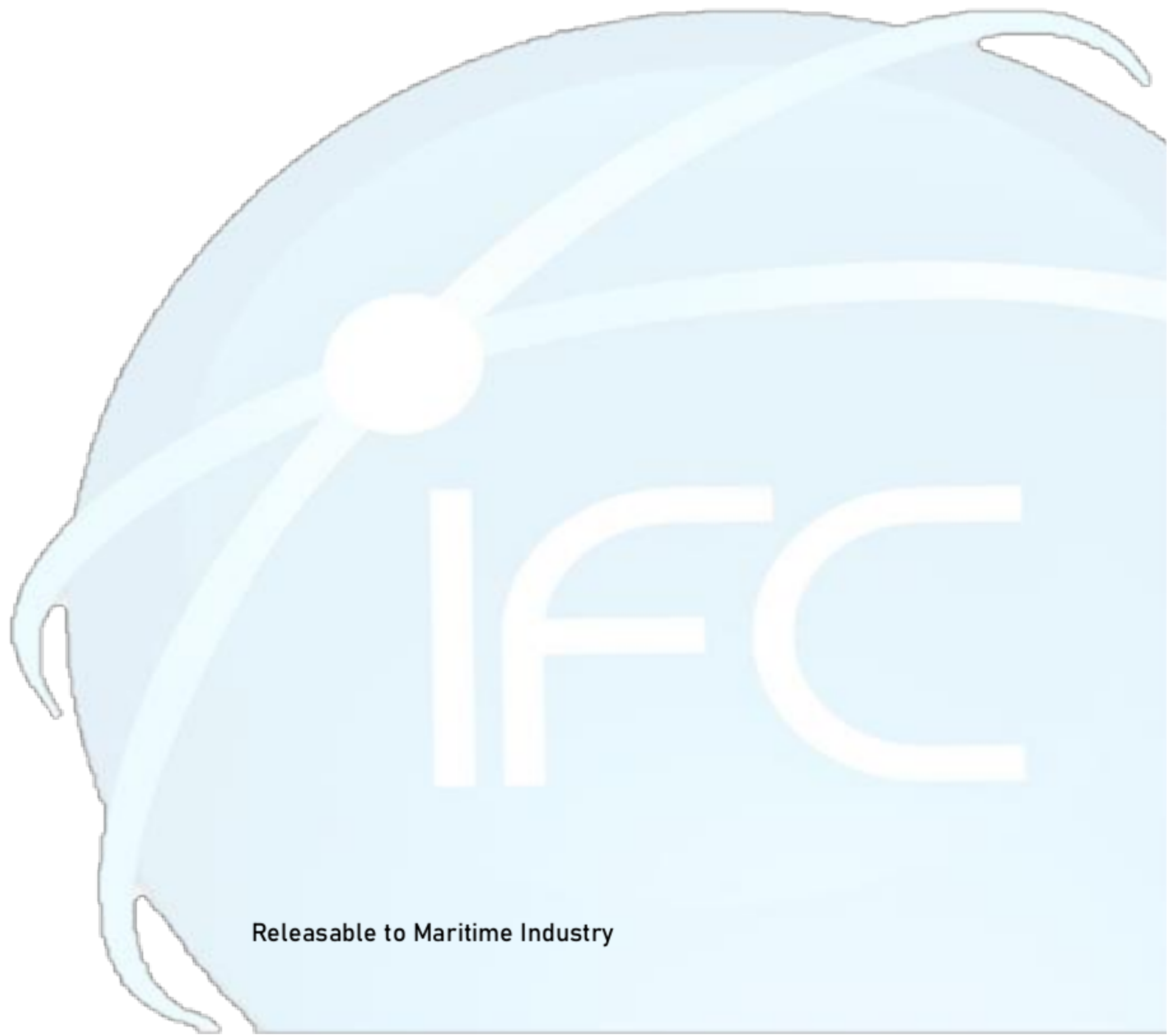
IFC Spot Commentary 2/17 – Abduction of Crew of Giang Hai off Sibutu Passage.

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

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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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