

ReCAAP ISC's 2nd Dialogue Session with Shipping Industry

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Sea Robberies & Related Incidents

ReCAAP reported an increase in number of sea robberies in the region in the first half of 2022

Incidents largely consist of petty thefts. Most are opportunistic and nonconfrontational in nature

>> Transit of vessels through the Singapore Strait remained safe



Anti-piracy group reports rise in armed robbery in Singapore Strait



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SINGAPORE - Cases of armed robbery in the Singapore Strait trended upwards in the first half of this year, but the incidents involved a small proportion of all vessels using the channel, Recaap Information Sharing Centre said.

Prompt Interception which led to Successful Enforcement



PCG Remains Committed to Ensuring Maritime Safety

- PCG patrol boats have <u>highly trained Emergency Response Team (ERT)</u> officers armed with sub-machine guns on board to respond to security threats in Singapore waters
- If your vessels require assistance after encountering sea robbers, PCG officers can board the vessel within Singapore waters to ensure the safety of the crew
- >>> When vessels encounter security incidents out at sea, provide the following information to the local authorities if possible:
 - Whether the perpetrators are still on board
 - Number of perpetrators
 - If the perpetrators are armed
 - Location of the perpetrators on board

How You Can Keep Your Vessels & Crew Safe

>>> Prevention is better than cure - Continue to adopt crime prevention measures such as access control, physical barriers, CCTVs etc.

>>> Prompt reporting leads to prompt response - Contact the local authorities immediately if suspicious activities are detected

>>> Your safety is of utmost priority - Do not confront the perpetrators; instead, try to isolate your crew from them

Creating a Community for Maritime Security

Safety & Security Watch Group (SSWG) is a platform where you can better equip yourself with robust measures to fight crime and terrorism threats effectively

>>> Engaging stakeholders through vessel visits, exploration of training opportunities, as well as regular touchpoints for stronger collaboration

Key Takeaways

Maritime Security is a **shared responsibility** that requires strong collaboration among all stakeholders

>>> Enforcement agencies continue to stand ready to respond swiftly to security threats within Singapore waters

>>> You play a key role in facilitating enforcement agencies to keep your vessels and crew safe

Join us in creating a maritime community to collaborate on safety and security issues

