

Incident Alert

Incident Report: 17/2009

Date/Time of Incident: 13 October 2009 at 0355 hrs (local time)

Location of incident: 01° 17' N, 104° 10.5' E

Area Description: Singapore eastern outer port limit

Name and Type of Ship: *Lantana* / product tanker

Details of Incident

The navigation watch officers of *Lantana* sighted a small boat alongside the starboard of the product tanker while she was anchored at position 01° 17' N, 104° 10.5' E (approximately 3.6 nm southwest of Tanjung Ayam, Malaysia) awaiting instructions from her company. Refer to map on the approximate location. The small boat was covered with a green canopy and had six men onboard. Two of the men boarded *Lantana* at the poop deck. The watch officers activated the general alarm and mustered all crew. Upon hearing the alarm, the men left the tanker and escaped in their boat. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen.

The Singapore's Port Operations Control Centre (POCC) initiated a broadcast on NAVTEX to warn mariners in the vicinity and informed the MRCC Putra Jaya, Malaysia and Baden SAR Nasional (BASARNAS), Indonesia about the incident. The POCC who is also the ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) reported the incident to the ReCAAP ISC and all ReCAAP Focal Points.

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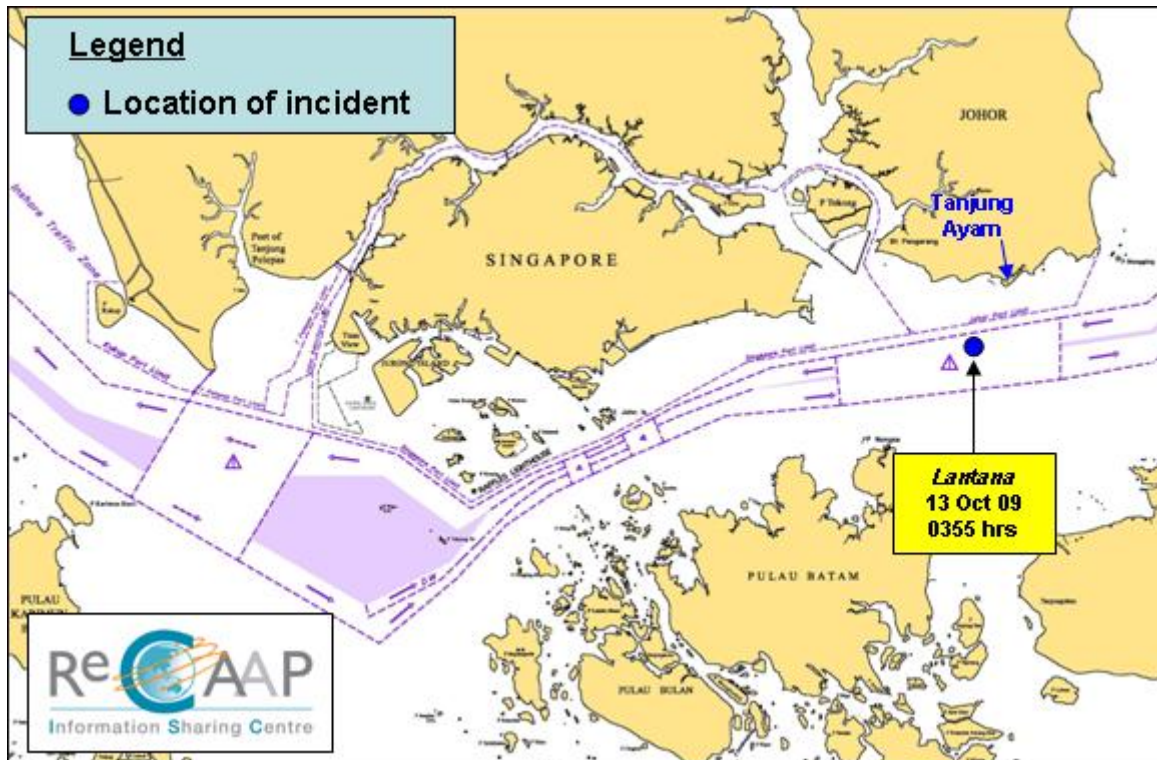
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Comments by ReCAAP ISC

Ship masters and crew are advised to maintain vigilance and adopt precautionary measures when operating in the vicinity at all time.

The ReCAAP ISC encourages ship masters to report all incidents of piracy and armed robbery against ships to the Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) of the coastal States immediately; and ship owner and ship operator to report the incidents to the ReCAAP Focal Points.





Approximate location of incident

