

MT Rehobot Found!

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Incident Update

Name of vessel : *MT Rehobot*Type of vessel : Chemical tanker

Flag of vessel : Indonesia

Background

1. On 28 Jan 15 at or about 2330 hrs (local time), eight masked perpetrators armed with long knives boarded and took control of *MT Rehobot* in the vicinity of Lembeh Island, Indonesia. The chemical tanker, laden with 1,100 tons of diesel had departed Bitung, North Sulawesi, Indonesia on 28 Jan 15. On 31 Jan 15, all 14 Indonesian crew of *MT Rehobot* were found in life rafts drifting in the vicinity of Lembeh Island by the Indonesian authorities. However, *MT Rehobot* was missing

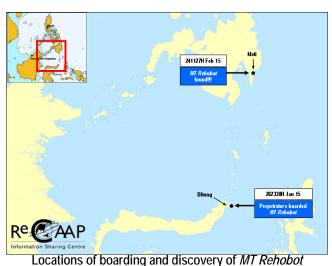
Actions by the ReCAAP ISC

2. The ReCAAP ISC issued an Incident Alert (reference 01/2015) on 1 Feb 15 requesting the shipping industry and authorities to look out for the missing *MT Rehobot*. Upon receipt of information that the vessel may be heading towards Philippines waters, the ReCAAP ISC alerted the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), who is also the ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines), to look out for *MT Rehobot*, and report all sightings to the ReCAAP ISC immediately.

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3. On 23 Feb 15 at or about 2313 hrs (local time), the PCG received information that there was a ship that had ran aground in Brgy Cabuaya, Mati City, Davao Oriental, Philippines. The Coast Guard Station Mati. Field Station South Eastern Mindanao and Naval Intelligence Security Group (NISG) proceeded to the location of the grounded ship on 24 Feb 15 at or about 0830 hrs (local time). At or about 1127 (local time), the Philippine authorities verified that the grounded ship was indeed the missing MT

substance found onboard the ship.



Initial investigation revealed that there was sign of spillage of unknown found opposed the ship.

Comments by the ReCAAP ISC

4. At this juncture, it was not clear what had happened to *MT Rehobot* since 28 Jan 15 after she was boarded. Further updates to be provided pending the investigation outcome carried out by the Philippines authorities.