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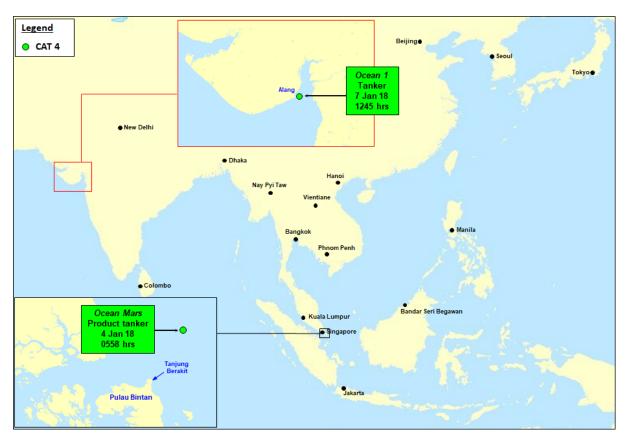
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ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report 23 to 29 January 2018

Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

During the period of 23 to 29 Jan 18, two incidents of piracy and armed robbery against ships were reported to the ReCAAP ISC. The location of the incidents is shown in the map below; and detailed descriptions tabulated in attachment.

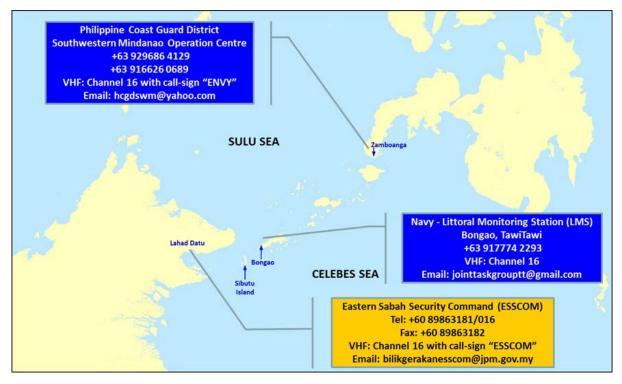


Location of incidents

RECOMMENDATIONS

The ReCAAP ISC urges ship master and crew to report all incidents of piracy and armed robbery against ships to the nearest coastal State and flag State, exercise vigilance and adopt relevant preventive measures taking reference from the *Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia*.

The ReCAAP ISC reiterates its advisory issued via the *ReCAAP ISC Incident Alert* dated 21 November 2016 to all ships to re-route from the area, where possible. Otherwise, ship masters and crew are strongly urged to exercise extra vigilance while transiting the Sulu-Celebes Sea and eastern Sabah region, and report immediately to the following Centres:



Contact details of the reporting centres

Description of Incidents of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships 23–29 January 2018

	Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage IMO Number	Date Local time of Incident (LT)	Position of the Incident	Details of the Incident	Consequences for crew, ship, cargo	Action taken by the master and crew	Was the incident reported to the coastal authority? Which one?	Reporting State or International Organization	Coastal State Action Taken
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
INC	IDENTS IN ASIA			·					
1.	<i>Ocean Mars</i> Petroleum product tanker Singapore 30965 9308144	4/1/18 0558 hrs	1° 33.1' N, 104° 47' E 22.8 nm NE of Pulau Berakit, Indonesia	While at anchor, the duty watch spotted five perpetrators boarding the ship from the stern. Upon sigthing the perpetrators, the general alarm was raised and the crew proceeded to the citadel. A search was later conducted, and the perpetrators had escaped. No items were stolen.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	Raised the general alarm, muster the crew and conducted search on board the ship.	Yes Flag State (Singapore)	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	No information available
2.	<i>Ocean 1</i> Tanker Tuvalu 19081 8916243 <i>ASL Scorpio</i> Tug	7/1/18 1245 hrs	21° 12.7' N, 72° 12.8' E 173 Alang, 11 nm off Gujarat, India	While sailing, three perpetrators from a fishing boat boarded the tanker which was towed by tug <i>ASL Scorpio</i> . The crew immediately reported the boarding to the local authorities. The Indian Coast Guard Station Pipavav requested the Marine Police to investigate the incident. On 11 Jan 18, the Police reported that they had arrested the perpetrators and recovered the stolen items comprising stores and spares.	The crew was not injured. Stores and spares were stolen.	Reported the incident to the local authorities.	Yes VTS Khambhat, Marine Police, Indian Coast Guard and Joint Operational Control	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (India)	Indian Coast Guard Station Pipavav requested the Marine Police Station Bhavnaga to investigate the incident. The Police arrested three perpetrators along with the stolen items. Further investigation is ongoing.