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Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

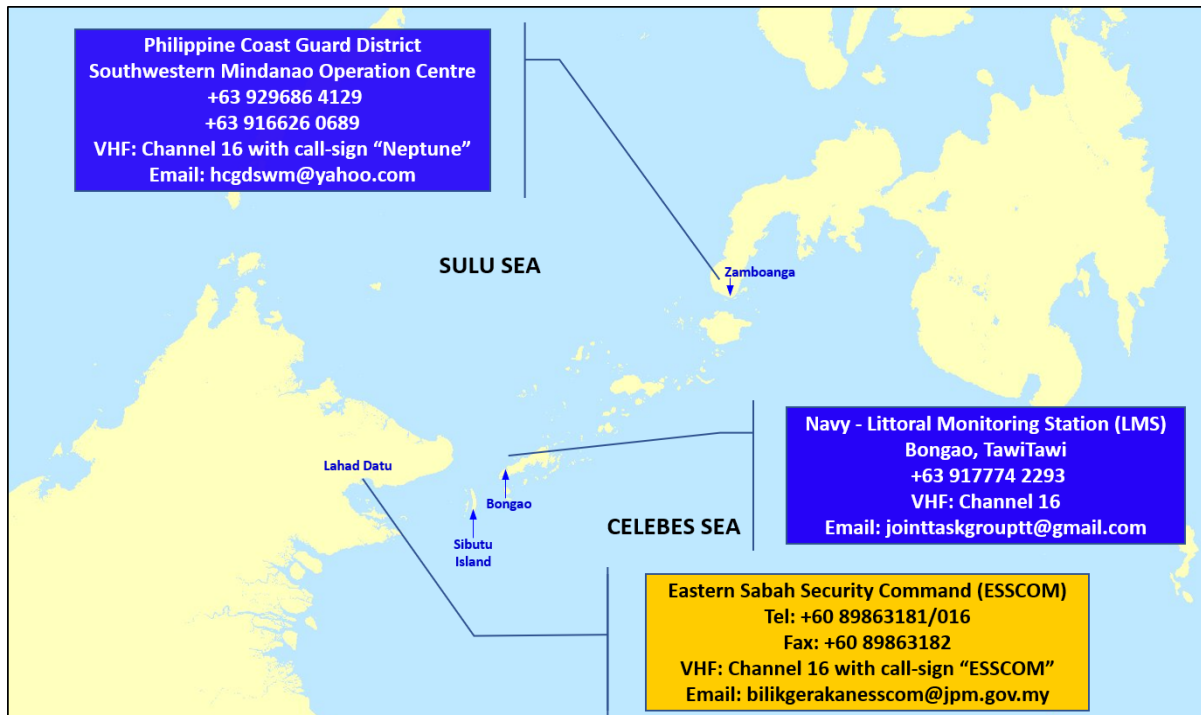
During 27 Nov - 3 Dec 18, one incident of armed robbery against ship was reported to ReCAAP ISC after verification by Focal Point. The location of the incident is shown in map below; and detailed description of the incident is tabulated in attachment.



Location of incident

SITUATION OF ABDUCTION OF CREW IN THE SULU-CELEBES SEAS AND WATERS OFF EASTERN SABAH

As the threat of abduction of crew in the Sulu-Celebes Seas and waters off eastern Sabah remains, ReCAAP ISC maintains its advisory issued via the *ReCAAP ISC Incident Alert* dated 21 November 2016 to all ships to reroute from the area, where possible. Otherwise, ship masters and crew are strongly urged to exercise extra vigilance while transiting the Sulu-Celebes Seas and eastern Sabah region, and report immediately to the Centres as shown in map below.



Contact details of the reporting centres

RECOMMENDATION

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*.

Description of Incidents of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships
27 November – 3 December 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
ACTUAL INCIDENT IN ASIA									
1	Alpha Bulker Bulk carrier Panama 19885 9336763	17/10/18 0700 hrs	20° 53.4' N 107°16.8' E Cam Pha loading anchorage, Vietnam	While at anchor, about seven perpetrators (not armed) pretended to be stevedores boarded the bulk carrier. They damaged the midship locker, stole ship's stores and escaped.	The crew was not injured. The midship locker was damaged and ship's stores were stolen.	No information available	No information available	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Vietnam)	No information available.