



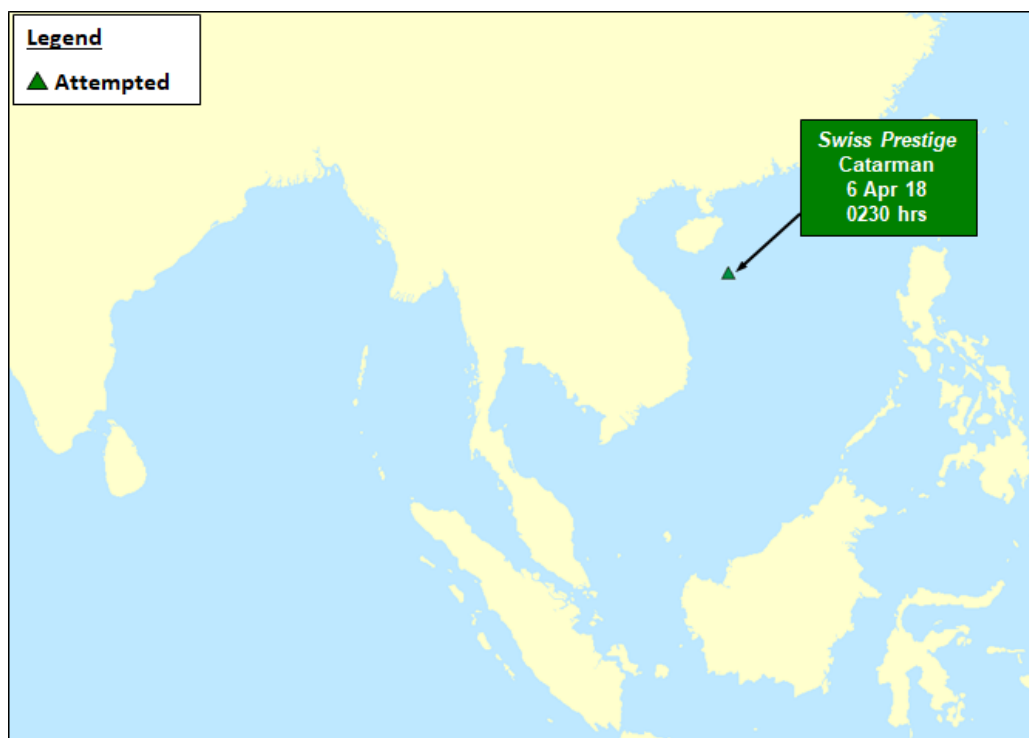
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ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report 3 to 9 April 2018

Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

During the period of 3 to 9 Apr 18, an attempted incident of piracy was reported to the ReCAAP ISC. The location of the incident is shown in the map below; and detailed description tabulated in attachment.



Location of incident

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
3-9 April 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 Internation al Organizatio n	Coastal State Action Taken
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
ATTEMPTED INCIDENT IN ASIA									
1.	Swiss Prestige Catamaran Hong Kong	6/4/18 0230 hrs	17°15.7' N, 111°16.3' E South China Sea	While sailing, a small ship <i>Hong Lrut</i> with two perpetrators onboard approached the catamaran at high speed (approximately 15 knots) within 200 nm and turned parallel to <i>Swiss Prestige</i> . The catamaran sounded "mayday" via VHF Channel 16 and increased her speed to 8 knots. The suspected ship moved away from the catamaran but continued on parallel course. A cruise liner <i>Diamond Princess</i> responded to the mayday call and moved to the location. <i>Swiss Prestige</i> communicated with <i>Diamond Princess</i> that Falmouth MRCC had been informed. The suspected ship began to move away and depart from the area shortly. <i>Swiss Prestige</i> cancelled its mayday call and moved towards Johor, Malaysia.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	Master raised "mayday"; and communicated with <i>Diamond Princess</i> who responded to the mayday call.	Yes Falmouth MRCC, United Kingdom (UK)	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (UK)	No information available.