



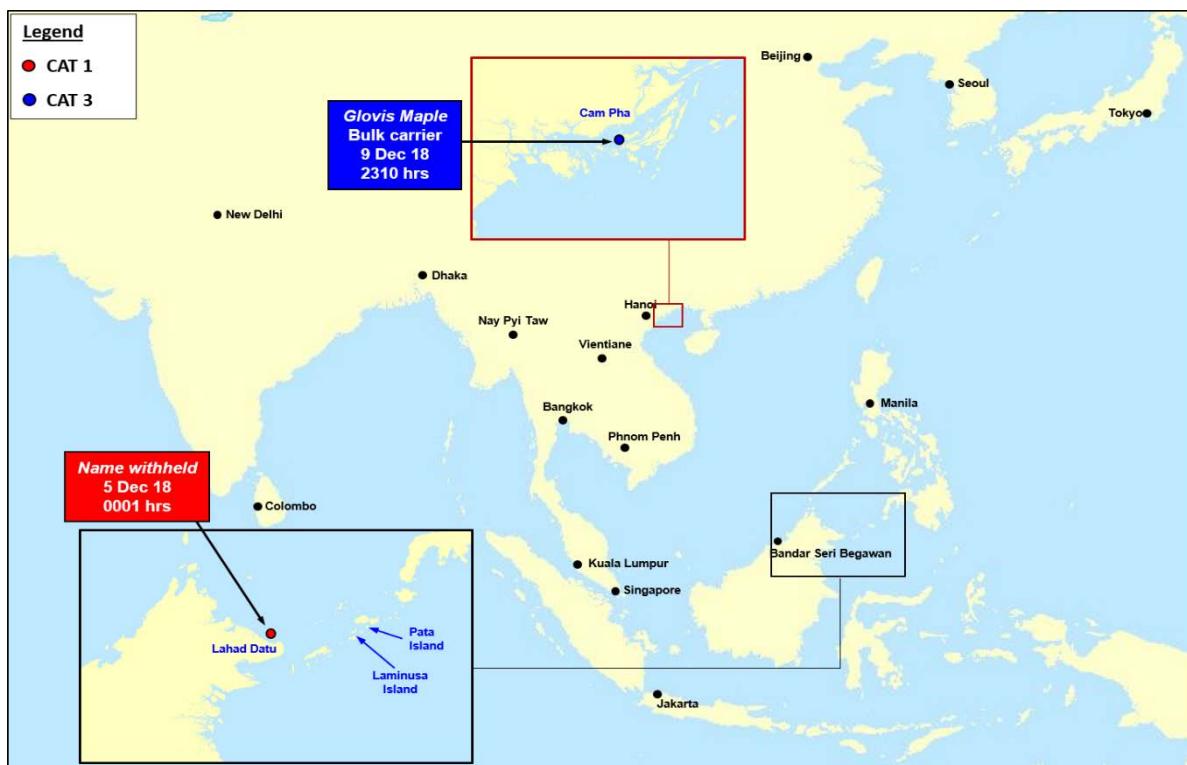
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## ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report 4-10 Dec 18

### Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

#### OVERVIEW

During 4-10 Dec 18, one incident of abduction of crew and one incident of robbery against ship were reported to ReCAAP ISC. The location of the incidents is shown in the map below; and detailed description of the incidents is tabulated in attachment.



Location of incident

#### INCIDENT ALERT ON ABDUCTION OF CREW

The ReCAAP ISC has issued an Incident Alert on 10 Dec 18 based on information received from ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippine Coast Guard) that a group of about 20 men armed with firearms boarded a boat on 5 Dec 18 and abducted three of its crew.

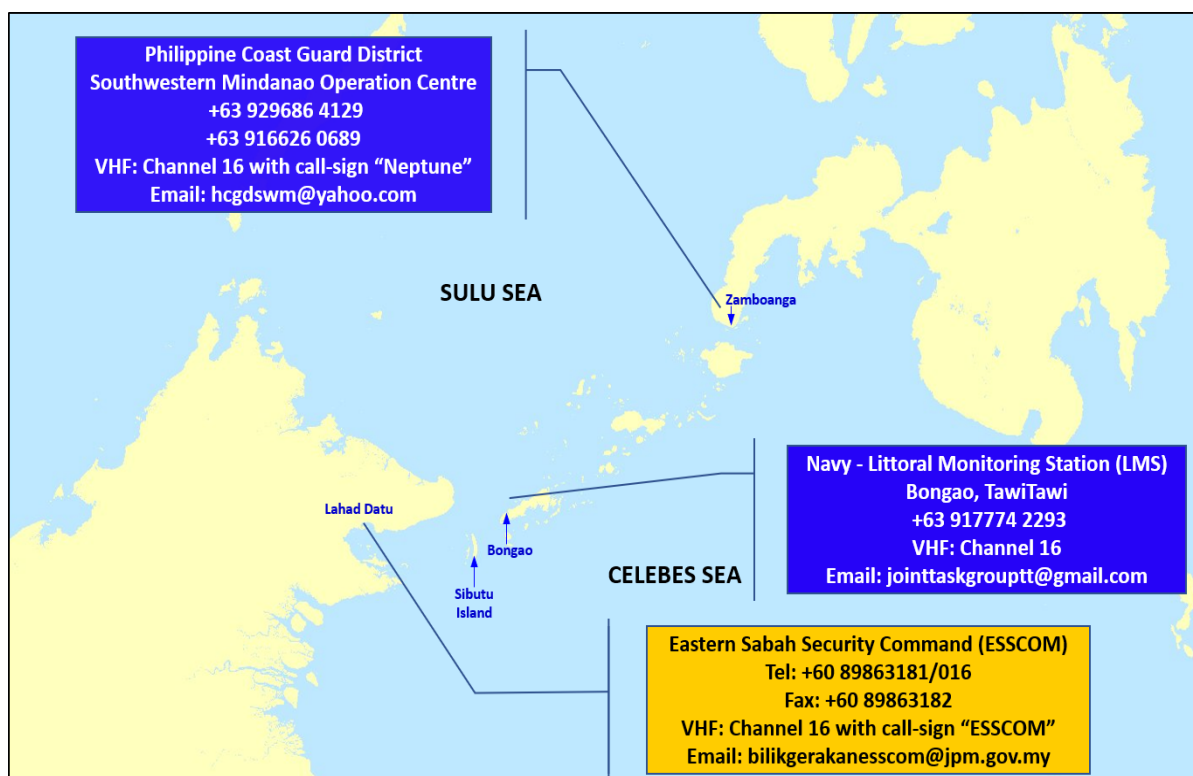
## RESCUE OF CREW OF *SRI DEWI 1*

The ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines Coast Guard) reported to the ReCAAP ISC that one of the abducted fishermen of fishing trawler, *Sri Dewi 1* was rescued by the Philippine authorities on 5 Dec 18. *Sri Dewi 1* was sailing in waters off Gaya Island, Semporna, Sabah on 11 Sep 18 when two masked men armed with firearms boarded the fishing trawler and abducted two fishermen.

## SITUATION OF ABDUCTION OF CREW IN THE SULU-CELEBES SEAS

A total of two actual incidents of abduction of crew were reported in 2018. The first incident occurred on board fishing trawler, *Sri Dewi 1* on 11 Sep 18 in Semporna waters, off Sabah where two crew were abducted; and the second incident occurred in the vicinity of Tambisan, Lahad Datu, Sabah on 5 Dec 18 where three crew were abducted.

As the threat of abduction of crew in the Sulu-Celebes Seas and off eastern Sabah still 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  
4-10 December 2018**

	<b>Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage IMO Number</b>	<b>Date Local time of Incident (LT)</b>	<b>Position of the Incident</b>	<b>Details of the Incident</b>	<b>Consequences for crew, ship, cargo</b>	<b>Action taken by the master and crew</b>	<b>Was the incident reported to the coastal authority? Which one?</b>	<b>Reporting State or International Organization</b>	<b>Coastal State Action Taken</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>ACTUAL INCIDENT IN ASIA</b>									
1.	<b>Not known</b>	5/12/18 0001 hrs	5° 38.37' N, 118° 57.44' E  Vicinity waters of Tambisan, Lahad Datu, Sabah	While sailing, about 20 men believed to be from the Sulu-based Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG), armed with firearms, boarded the boat (name and type not known) from speed boats painted green with grey, and powered with double engine. The group abducted three crew (one Malaysian and two Indonesians) and arrived at Laminusa Island, Siasi Municipality, Sulu Province on 6 Dec 18, before proceeding to So Dumlog, Brgy Likud, Pata, Sulu Province on 7 Dec 18.	Three crew were abducted.  No items were stolen.	No information available	Yes  Joint Task Force Sulu and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG)	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines)	PCG coordinated with military authorities and other governmental agencies.  The Joint Task Force Sulu is exerting an all-out effort to establish the status, condition and location of the alleged kidnapped victims.
2.	<b>Glovis Maple</b> Bulk carrier Bahamas 9607019 32545	9/12/18 2310 hrs	20° 55.12'N, 107° 17.41'E  Cam Pha Anchorage, Vietnam	While at anchor, an unknown number of perpetrators armed with knives boarded the ship from a wooden boat through the anchor chain hawse pipe by removing the cover. They broke the forecastle entrance padlock including the Niger lock and remove the additional securing lashing. They stole ship's property and escaped.	The crew was not injured.  Unspecified ship's property was stolen. The forecastle entrance padlock including the Niger lock were broken.	The master made announcement about the incident through VHF.	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Vietnam)	No information available.