



Website : www.recaap.org
Tel : +65 6376 3063
Fax : +65 6376 3066
Email : info@recaap.org

ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report 8-14 Jan 19

Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW


The ReCAAP ISC did not receive report of incident of piracy or armed robbery against ships that occurred in Asia during 8-14 Jan 19.

Incident outside Asia

The ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) reported to ReCAAP ISC an incident of armed robbery against ships outside Asia. The incident occurred at Lagos Security Anchorage, Nigeria, West Africa on 4 Jan 19. Detailed description of the incident is tabulated in attachment.

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 Nov 16 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 area, and report immediately to the authorities of Philippines and Eastern Sabah Security Command (ESSCOM) of Malaysia. The contact details of the Operation Centres of Philippines and ESSCOM of Malaysia (updated by ReCAAP ISC on 3 Jan 19) are as follows:



The map shows the Sulu Sea to the north and the Celebes Sea to the south. Three locations are marked with numbered red circles: 1 at Zamboanga, 2a and 2b at Bongao, and 3 at Lahad Datu.

- 1 Philippine Coast Guard District Southwestern Mindanao**
Tel: +63 998 585 7972
+63 917 842 8446
VHF: Channel 16 with call-sign "NEPTUNE"
Email: hcgdswm@yahoo.com
- 2a Philippine Coast Guard Station, Bongao (Central Tawi-Tawi)**
Tel: +63 998 585 7941
+63 917 842 8402
VHF: Channel 16
Email: cgd_tawi2@yahoo.com
- 2b Philippine Navy - Littoral Monitoring Station (LMS), Bongao, Tawi-Tawi**
Tel: +63 955 714 0153
VHF: Channel 16
Email: jointtaskgroup@gmail.com
- 3 Eastern Sabah Security Command (ESSCOM)**
Tel: +60 89863181/016
Fax: +60 89863182
VHF: Channel 16 with call-sign "ESSCOM"
Email: bilikgerakan_esscom@jpm.gov.my

Contact Details

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
8-14 January 2019**

	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
INCIDENT OUTSIDE ASIA									
1.	FSL Singapore Tanker Singapore 28068 9311725	04/01/19 0025 hrs	6.0°;17.8' N, 3.0°;19.3' E Lagos Security Anchorage, Nigeria, West Africa	Two perpetrators in a canoe approached and boarded <i>FSL Singapore</i> . The ship was conducting ship-to-ship (STS) operation with another tanker <i>Kensington</i> . The security patrol personnel at the forward part of the cargo deck sighted the perpetrators. The 2 nd officer on watch raised the general alarm and the perpetrators jumped into the sea.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	Crew reported the incident to the nearby patrol boat <i>NNS Bini</i> and Lagos Security Anchorage Area (SAA) Tactical Operation Centre.	Yes Coastal State (Nigeria) and Flag State (Singapore)	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	<i>NNS Bini</i> responded and arrived at the location of the incident at about 0100 hrs on 4 Jan 19.