



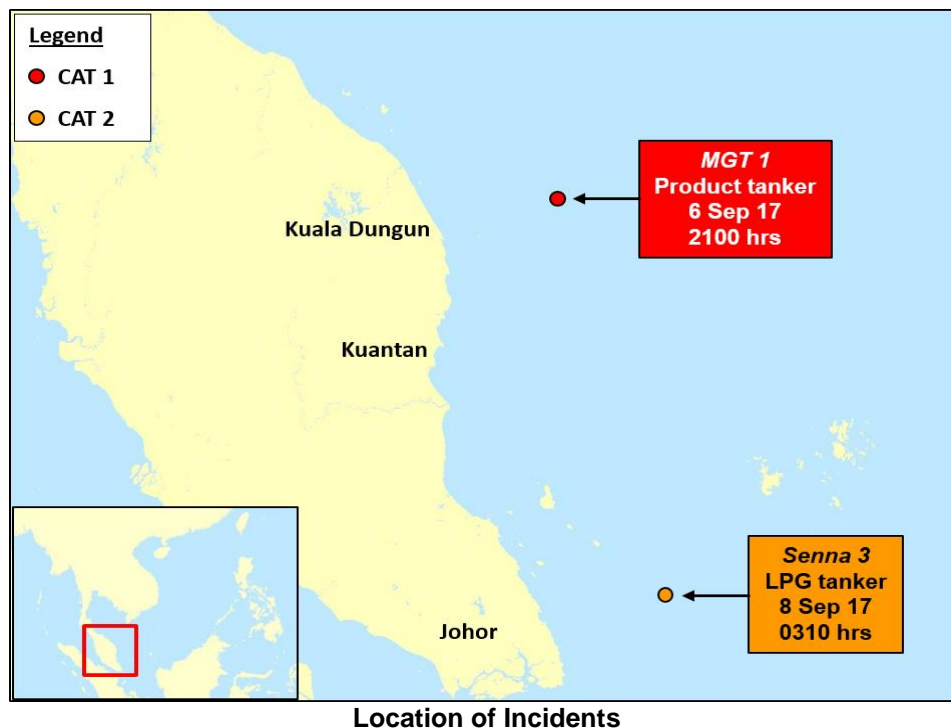
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Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

Overview

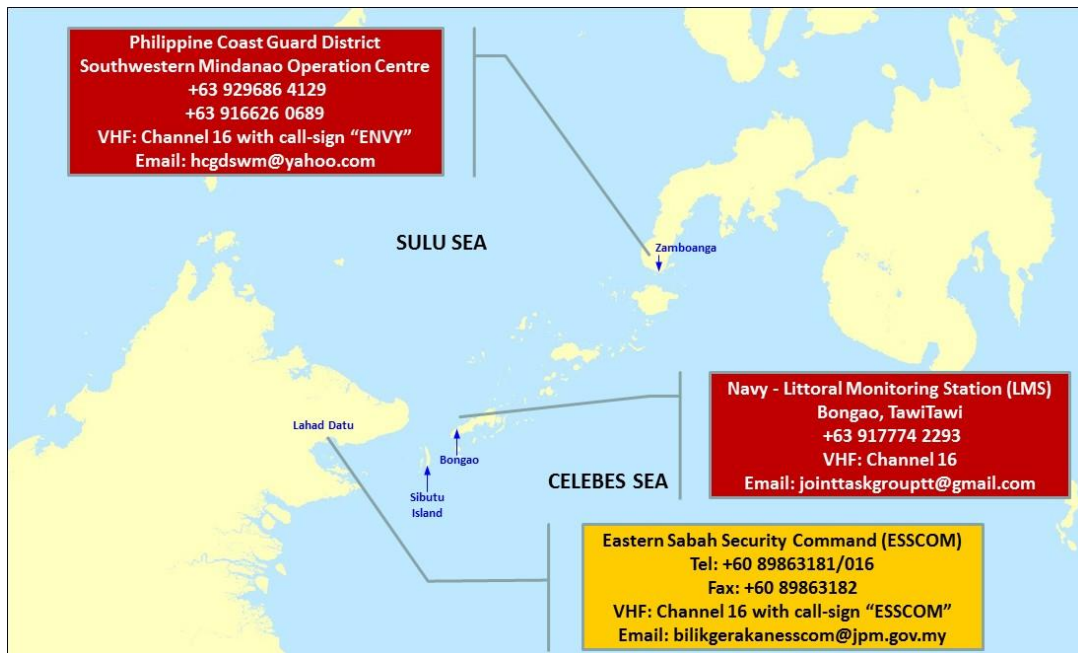
During 5-11 Sep 17, two incidents of piracy were reported to the ReCAAP ISC. The location of incidents is shown in map below; and detailed descriptions tabulated in attachment.



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 centres

**Description of Incident of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia
5-11 September 2017**

NO	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									
1	<i>MGT 1</i> Product tanker Thailand 983 9019975	6 /9/17 2100 hrs	5° 8.37' N 104° 16.62' E 54 nm east off Kuala Dungun, Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia	<p>While underway from Rayong port, Thailand to Andaman Sea, 13 perpetrators armed with knives and guns boarded the ship from two small fast boats. The perpetrators forced the crew to transfer one million litres of diesel oil (out of 2.2 million litres contained in the tanker) to a mother ship.</p> <p>The crew activated the SSAS alarm. At about 1500 hrs, the Malaysia Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) also received information from fishermen that a group of people were climbing on board the product tanker. Acting on these inputs, the MMEA conducted continuous monitoring of the ship and dispatched two ships and a helicopter to the location of the incident. The MMEA's Special Task and Rescue Team (STAR) boarded the ship and apprehended 10 perpetrators who were on board the ship. Three other perpetrators managed to escape. The ship and the mother ship that was alongside were escorted safely by the authorities towards Kuala Terengganu for further investigation. Initial investigation revealed that the mastermind was in Johor Baru, and was arrested.</p>	<p>The crew was not injured.</p> <p>One million litres of diesel out of 2.2 million litres were transferred from the ship to the perpetrator's mother ship.</p>	The crew activated the SSAS and other distress signal.	<p>Yes</p> <p>Thai-MECC</p> <p>MMEA</p>	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Thailand)	<p>Upon receipt of the report, MMEA conducted continuous monitoring of the ship and dispatched two ships and a helicopter to the location of the incident.</p> <p>The MMEA's Special Task and Rescue Team (STAR) boarded the ship and apprehended 10 perpetrators who were on board the ship.</p> <p>MMEA escorted safely the ship and the mothership towards Kuala Terengganu and conducted further investigation.</p>

2	Senna 3 LPG tanker Thailand 3003 9179270	8/9/17 0310 hrs	2°3.55' N, 104°59.28' E Approximately 52 nm east of Johor Bahru, Malaysia	<p>While underway, four perpetrators covered with masks, armed with sword, and around 30-40 year-old, boarded the ship from a speed boat which has white and dark blue hull and Yamaha outbound engine.</p> <p>While onboard the ship, the perpetrators tied the 2nd Officer and the AB at the wheel house. Thereafter, they cut the wires of the ship's VHF handset and Inmarsat C-mini. The perpetrators also took the personal effects belonging to the master, chief officers, chief engineer, and 2nd Officer; and tied them and the other ship's officers in the navigation bridge and the master at the handrail on the ship's port side. The perpetrators escaped using a speed boat. The master was able to untie himself and proceed to the bridge to untie other crew.</p>	<p>The crew was tied.</p> <p>Ship's property and crew's personal items were taken.</p>	<p>The master sent the distress signal by INMARSAT-C and email to Emergency Response Team(ERT).</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Thai-MECC</p> <p>Vietnam MRCC and Singapore MRCC thru INMARSAT-C and ERT</p>	<p>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Thailand)</p>	<p>Vietnam MRCC and Singapore MRCC acknowledged the distress signal and offered assistance to the ship.</p> <p>The Indonesian Navy boarded and conducted an investigation aboard the ship.</p>
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