

# Incident Alert

**Incident Report:** 05/2010

**Date/Time of Incident:** 20 March 2010 at 0500hrs (local time)

**Location of incident:** 1° 18.9' N, 104° 14.6' E

**Area Description:** Southeast of Tanjung Ayam, Malaysia

**Name and Type of Ship:** *Hesnes*/ Tanker

## Details of Incident

On 20 March 2010 at 0500hrs (local time), five robbers armed with knives boarded a Malta-registered tanker, *Hesnes* while at anchor southwest of Tanjung Ayam, Malaysia. Please see map below. The crew sighted the robbers, alerted the other crew and raised the emergency alarm. Upon hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped in a small craft. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen.

The ship master reported the incident to the Singapore's Port Operations Control Centre (POCC) and the Information Fusion Centre-Maritime Security Task Force (IFC-MSTF). The Singapore's POCC which is also the ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) reported the incident to the ReCAAP ISC. The IFC-MSTF also reported the incident to the ReCAAP ISC.

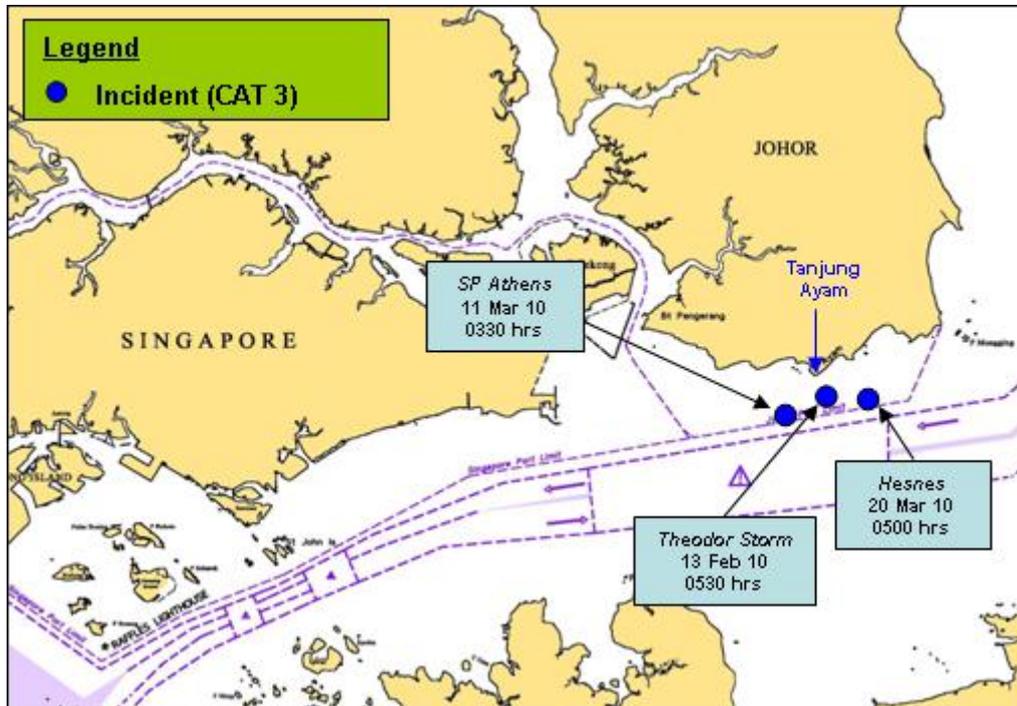
## Reported by

ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)  
IFC-MSTF

## Comments by ReCAAP ISC

This is the third incident that occurred in the vicinity of Tanjung Ayam, Malaysia since January 2010. The first two incidents occurred on 13 February 2010 and 11 March 2010. Ship master and crew are advised to maintain vigilance at all times when anchored in the area. Ship masters are also advised to report/alert the nearest coastal states as soon as possible to enable the authorities to take the appropriate action.





**Approximate location of incidents**

