Incident Report : 06/2014

Name and Type of Ship : Manyplus 12 / tug boat 
                      Hub 18 / barge

Last Contact with Ship : 9 Jun 14 at or about 1910 hrs (local time)

Location of Last Contact : 02° 06.58’ N, 108° 37.05’ E

Area Description : Approximately 61.37 nm west of Tanjung Datu, Sarawak

Details of Incident

1. A Malaysia-registered tug boat, Manyplus 12 towing barge, Hub 18, loaded with 138 containers, had departed Sibu, Sarawak, East Malaysia for Port Klang, Peninsula Malaysia. The vessels were scheduled to arrive at Port Klang in the morning of 13 Jun 14. However, Manyplus 12 and Hub 18 did not arrive at Port Klang on the scheduled date. The shipping company’s last contacted the master on 9 Jun 14 at or about 1910 hrs (local time) when the vessels were approximately 61.37 nm west of Tanjung Datu, Sarawak. There were 11 crew onboard the tug boat, comprising Indians, Malaysian and Myanmar nationals.

Photographs courtesy of shipping company

Tug boat, Manyplus 12 (left) and barge, Hub 18 (right)
Approximated last contact of vessels

2. The shipping company reported the incident to the ReCAAP ISC on 16 Jun 14, who in turn alerted all ReCAAP Focal Points and the maritime authorities in the region to look out for the vessels and the crew.

Reported by
Shipping company

Comments by ReCAAP ISC

3. The ReCAAP ISC urges the ReCAAP Focal Points, the maritime authorities and vessels in the vicinity to look out for Manyplus 12 and Hub 18; and report sightings of the vessels and crew to the nearest coastal State. Also to note that the colour and name of the vessels may have been repainted.