Incident Report   :  04/2015

Name and Type of Ship  :  Oriental Glory/product tanker

Date/Time of Incident :  15 May 2015 at 0600 hrs (local time)

Location of incident :  03° 34.50’ N, 110° 39.08’ E
                     (60 nm northwest of Bruit Island, Malaysia)

Area Description :  South China Sea

Detail of Incidents

1.  At about 0600 hrs on 15 May 15, Malaysia-registered product tanker Oriental Glory departed Labuan, East Malaysia for Tanjung Manis, Sarawak, East Malaysia when six fishing boats surrounded Oriental Glory at 03° 34.50’ N, 110° 39.08’ E (approximately 60 nm northwest of Bruit Island, Malaysia). About 30 perpetrators boarded Oriental Glory and took the tanker to another location at 05° 22.02’ N, 109° 33.06’ E (approximately 188 nm northwest of Bruit Island, Malaysia) and siphoned off 2,500 MT of ship fuel/oil. All crew was safe and the vessel is proceeding to Tanjung Manis for further investigation.

Reported by:  Information Fusion Centre (IFC)

Comments:  This is the 7th incident of ship fuel siphoning reported since January 2015. Pending more information about this incident, the ReCAAP ISC is issuing this Incident Alert to urge vessels to exercise enhanced vigilance and the littoral States to step up surveillance. The ReCAAP ISC and its stakeholders condemn this maritime crime and spare no effort in sharing information and modus operandi with the regional authorities and other stakeholders such as the Interpol leveraging on its expertise in organized crime through extensive network and global database on maritime piracy.