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ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre Upgrades Website to Better Inform Maritime Stakeholders of the Situation of Piracy and Sea Robbery in Asia

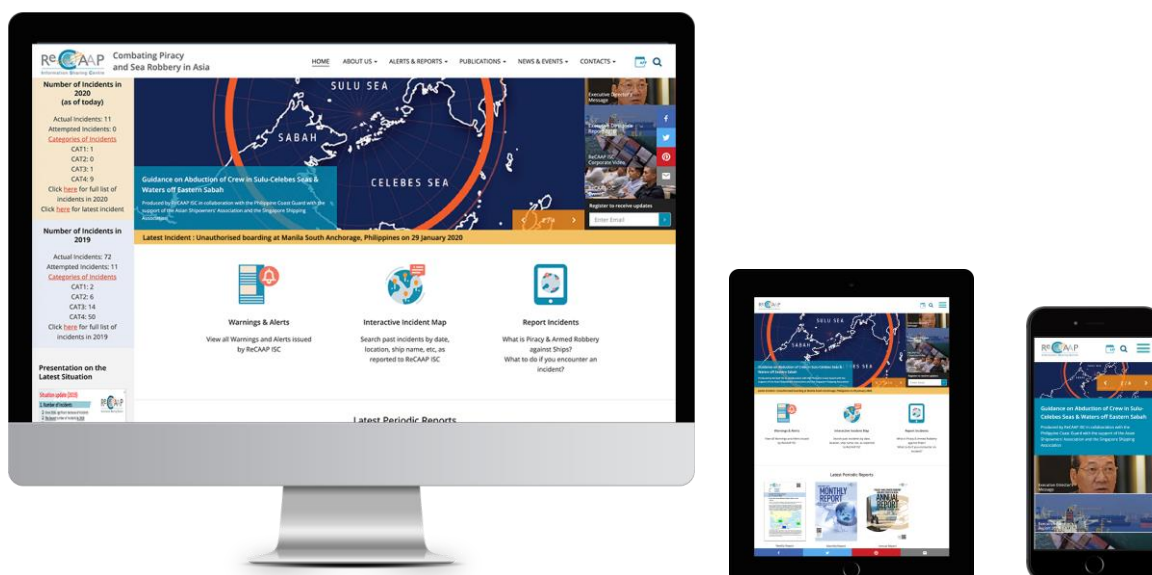
ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre (ISC) today launched an upgraded public website to better inform shipping companies, regulatory/law enforcement authorities, analysts/academics, and the media of the latest situation of piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia.

The upgraded website, at www.recaap.org, features the following new functions:

- **“Live” tally of incidents** of the current year (categorized according to actual/attempted and severity)
- **Cumulative full list** of incidents of the current year
- Information on the **most recent incident**
- **Tally of the incidents** of the immediate **previous year** for comparison
- **Full list of the incidents** of the immediate **previous year**
- **Rolling scrollers** that can be activated when needed to display information on the **latest incident**, as well as **Incident Warnings**, when necessary
- **Monthly slides** summarizing the latest situation
- **Front page access to latest periodic reports** (Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly, Single-sheet Summary)
- **Front page access to all ReCAAP ISC Guides**
- Information on **how ReCAAP ISC categorizes incidents** based on the level of violence and the economic loss incurred
- **Definition of piracy and armed robbery against ships**, and **what to do** if shipping community encounters an incident in Asia

“Based on feedback from the maritime community, access to timely and accurate information is one of the most valuable tools to keep ships safe and to help government authorities efficiently deploy limited resources.

“The upgraded website of the Centre was designed with the needs of our stakeholders in mind, so they can be equipped with an updated and accurate picture of the maritime situation in Asia when making decisions,” said Mr. Masafumi Kuroki, Executive Director of ReCAAP ISC.



A screenshot of the upgraded ReCAAP ISC public website at www.recaap.org

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About ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre (ReCAAP ISC)

The Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP) is the first regional government-to-government agreement to promote and enhance cooperation against piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia. The Agreement entered into force on September 4, 2006 with 14 Asian countries as Contracting Parties, and the Information Sharing Centre was established on November 29, 2006. To date, 20 States (14 Asian countries, 4 European countries, Australia, the USA) have become Contracting Parties to ReCAAP. To fulfil its vision as the Information Hub for combating piracy and armed robbery against ships in Asia, ReCAAP ISC enhances regional cooperation through information sharing, capacity building and cooperative arrangements. At the 12th Governing Council Meeting in 2018, the Council announced that ReCAAP ISC has met the criteria to be a Centre of Excellence for information sharing in combating piracy

and armed robbery at sea. For more information about ReCAAP ISC, please visit <http://www.recaap.org>