Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

During 30 May - 5 June 17, one incident of armed robbery against ships in Asia was reported to the ReCAAP ISC. The location of the incident is shown in map below; and detailed description 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**

- **Philippine Coast Guard District Southwestern Mindanao Operation Centre**
  - Tel: +63 929686 4129
  - VHF: Channel 16 with call sign “ENVY”
  - Email: hcgdswm@yahoo.com

- **Navy - Littoral Monitoring Station (LMS)**
  - Tel: +63 917774 2281
  - VHF: Channel 16
  - Email: jointtaskgrouptt@gmail.com

- **Eastern Sabah Security Command (ESSCOM)**
  - Tel: +60 89863181/016
  - Fax: +60 89863182
  - VHF: Channel 16 with call sign “ESSCOM”
  - Email: bilikgerakanesscom@jpm.gov.my
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<tr>
<th>NO</th>
<th>Ship Name</th>
<th>Type of Ship</th>
<th>Flag</th>
<th>Gross Tonnage</th>
<th>IMO Number</th>
<th>Date Local time of Incident (LT)</th>
<th>Position of the Incident</th>
<th>Details of the Incident</th>
<th>Consequences for crew, ship, cargo</th>
<th>Action taken by the master and crew</th>
<th>Was the incident reported to the coastal authority? Which one?</th>
<th>Reporting State or International Organization</th>
<th>Coastal State Action Taken</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Uni Challenge</td>
<td>Bulk carrier</td>
<td>Singapore</td>
<td>18465</td>
<td>9606546</td>
<td>1/6/17 0300 hrs</td>
<td>7°45.67' S, 109° 4.25' E Cilacap anchorage, Indonesia</td>
<td>While at anchor, the duty oiler reported to the 2nd Officer that a perpetrator was found in the engine room. The master raised the alarm, proceeded to the ship's aft station and engine room, and discovered that the access watertight door in the main deck to the engine room was open. A search was conducted but no perpetrator was found on board. The chief engineer discovered that some spares from the engine store room were missing.</td>
<td>The crew was not injured, and some engine spares from the engine store room were found missing.</td>
<td>Raised the alarm and conducted a search.</td>
<td>Yes Flag state</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)</td>
<td>No information available</td>
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