ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report
12-18 September 2017

Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

Overview

During 12-18 Sep 17, two incidents of armed robbery against ships were reported to the ReCAAP ISC. The location of the incidents is shown in map below; and detailed descriptions 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**
-  +63 529656 4129
-  +63 916626 0689
-  VHF: Channel 16 with call-sign “ENVY”
-  Email: hcgdswm@yahoo.com

**Navy - Littoral Monitoring Station (LMS)**
-  Bongao, Tawi-Tawi
-  +63 917774 2293
-  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: billgerakanesscom@jpm.gov.my
## Description of Incident of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia
### 12-18 September 2017

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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</th>
<th>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>Areti Gr</td>
<td>Bulk carrier</td>
<td>Panama</td>
<td>34187</td>
<td>9789893</td>
<td>03/09/17</td>
<td>0145 hrs</td>
<td>22° 14.08' N 91° 44.53' E Chittagong anchorage, Bangladesh</td>
<td>While at anchor, four perpetrators armed with long knives boarded the bulk carrier from a small boat. They broke the padlock to the store, stole eight pails of grease and escaped. The incident lasted for about 10 minutes.</td>
<td>The crew was not injured. Padlock broken and eight pails of grease stolen.</td>
<td>No information available</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Port control</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Bangladesh)</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Ocean Amazing</td>
<td>Bulk carrier</td>
<td>Singapore</td>
<td>25967</td>
<td>9162942</td>
<td>12/09/17</td>
<td>0430 hrs</td>
<td>0° 13.3' N 117° 33.5' E Samarinda anchorage, Kalimantan, Indonesia</td>
<td>While at anchor, the bulk carrier started loading coal by a floating crane at 1830 hrs. One crew was on standby at the port side gangway entrance and another assisting with cargo operation and de-ballasting. A security round was carried out at 0300 hrs. At about 0430 hrs, two duty ABs found that the skylight door at the forecastle of the ship was in open position and the D-ring bracket was broken. The crew had previously secured said skylight door with double padlocks and they made fast all butterfly nuts and lashed it from within. The ABs informed the duty officer and a search was conducted in the Bosun store. Two coils of spare mooring rope were found missing. The crew reported incident to the flag State and agent. The agent made a police report.</td>
<td>The crew was not injured. Two coils of spare mooring rope were stolen.</td>
<td>The crew reported the incident to the flag State and agent. The agent made a police report.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Flag State (Singapore)</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)</td>
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