PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA
2018

**NUMBER OF INCIDENTS**

- **Total Incidents**: 76+ incidents on board ships
  - **Actual**: 62 incidents
  - **Piracy**: 4 incidents
  - **Attempted**: 14 incidents
  - **Armed Robbery**: 72 incidents

**Status of Ships**

- **At Anchor/Berkth**: 75% compared with 2017
  - Lowest total number of incidents and actual incidents in the last 10 years (2009-2018)

**Significance Level**

- CAT 1 and CAT 2 incidents among the lowest during 2009-2018
- Majority were CAT 4 incidents (petty theft)

**Status of Ships**

- 57(75%) incidents on board ships at anchor/berth
- 19(25%) incidents on board ships underway
ABDUCTION OF CREW FOR RANSOM IN SULU-CELEBES SEAS AND WATERS OFF EASTERN SABAH

INCIDENTS IN 2018
- Two actual incidents (Sri Dewi 1 on 11 Sep 18 & fishing boat on 5 Dec 18)
- One attempted incident (Kudos 1 on 16 Feb 18)

STATUS OF ABDUCTED CREW (as of 31 Dec 2018)
- 66 TOTAL
- 7 Killed
- 10 Still in captivity
- 49 Released/rescued

ADVISORY TO SHIPPING INDUSTRY
- Despite a decrease of abduction incidents, threat remains
- Re-route where possible, otherwise to:
  » Exercise enhanced vigilance
  » Maintain communication with local authorities (refer to contact details)
  » Make timely report
  » Adopt piracy countermeasures to mitigate risk

ADVISORY OF ReCAAP ISC

SHIPS AT ANCHOR/BERTH:
- Authorities of coastal States to enhance surveillance at ports and anchorages
- Respond to reports of incidents immediately
- Ships to increase vigilance, secure all stores and adopt preventive measures.

SHIPS UNDERWAY:
- Enforcement agencies of littoral States to increase patrols
- Ships to maintain all round lookout for suspicious boats in vicinity.

MASTER AND CREW:
- Keep abreast of the latest situation (www.recaap.org)
- Implement preventive measures in the Regional Guide to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia
- Report all incidents to coastal State and flag State

CONTACT DETAILS OF REPORTING CENTRES

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DECREASE IN INCIDENTS
- At Manila anchorages, Philippines
- In South China Sea
- Abduction of crew for ransom

NO SUCCESSFUL OCCURRENCE
- Theft of oil cargo incidents

MORE THAN 10 INCIDENTS AT PORTS/ANCHORAGES IN
- Samarinda, East Kalimantan, Indonesia
- Chittagong, Bangladesh

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