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ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report

11-17 Dec 18

Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

The ReCAAP ISC did not receive report of incident of piracy or armed robbery against ships that occurred in Asia during 11-17 Dec 18.

The ReCAAP Focal Point (United Kingdom) reported an incident of attempted piracy outside Asia to ReCAAP ISC. The incident occurred southeast of Bab Al Mendeb Strait in the Arabian Sea on 13 Dec 18. Detailed description of the incident is tabulated in attachment.

SITUATION OF ABDUCTION OF CREW IN THE SULU-CELEBES SEAS

As the threat of abduction of crew in the Sulu-Celebes Seas and off eastern Sabah remains, ReCAAP ISC maintains its advisory issued via the *ReCAAP ISC Incident Alert* dated 21 November 2016 to all ships to reroute from the area, where possible. Otherwise, ship masters and crew are strongly urged to exercise extra vigilance while transiting the Sulu-Celebes Seas and eastern Sabah region, and report immediately to the Centres as shown in map below.



Contact details of the reporting centres

RECOMMENDATION

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*.

**Description of Incidents of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships
11-17 December 2018**

	Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage IMO Number	Date Local time of Incident (LT)	Position of the Incident	Details of the Incident	Consequences for crew, ship, cargo	Action taken by the master and crew	Was the incident reported to the coastal authority? Which one?	Reporting State or International Organization	Coastal State Action Taken
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>
ATTEMPTED INCIDENT OUTSIDE ASIA									
1.	<i>Nord Lavender</i> Crude oil tanker Philippines 42791 9729233	13/12/18 1145 hrs	11° 57.08' N, 45° 0.08' E Southeast of Bab Al Mendeb Strait, Arabian Sea	While sailing, about 15-20 skiffs approached the tanker at high speed and surrounded her. There were about four to five persons in each skiff. The tanker fired warning shots and the skiffs dispersed.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	No information available	Yes UKMTO	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (United Kingdom)	No information available.