Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

During 24-30 Jul 18, one incident of armed robbery against ships was reported to the ReCAAP ISC by Focal Point Bangladesh. The location of the incident is shown in the map below, and detailed description of the incident is tabulated in attachment.
SITUATION OF ABDUCTION OF CREW IN THE SULU-CELEBES SEAS

The last actual incident of abduction of crew in the Sulu-Celebes Seas occurred on 23 Mar 17 and the last attempted incident on 16 Feb 18. However, as the threat of abduction of crew in the Sulu-Celebes Sea is not eliminated, 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 following Centres:

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
#### 24-30 July 2018

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<tr>
<th>Ship Name</th>
<th>Type of Ship</th>
<th>Flag</th>
<th>Gross Tonnage IMO Number</th>
<th>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>
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<td><strong>Ocean Nhava Shiva</strong></td>
<td>Container ship</td>
<td>Panama</td>
<td>17280 9470765</td>
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<td>19/07/18 1700 hrs</td>
<td>22° 2’ N, 91° 46.5’ E Chittagong outer anchorage, Bangladesh</td>
<td>While at anchor, an unknown number of perpetrators boarded the ship. They stole three mooring ropes and escaped from the ship. The crew was not injured. The master reported the incident to the local authority.</td>
<td>Three mooring ropes were stolen. The crew was not injured.</td>
<td>Reported incident to the local authority.</td>
<td>Yes Local port control and Bangladesh Coast Guard</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Bangladesh)</td>
<td>Upon receipt of the report, the local port control conveyed the incident to Bangladesh Coast Guard who deployed a team to investigate the incident.</td>
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