Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

OVERVIEW

During 4-10 Sep 18, one attempted incident of armed robbery against ships was reported to the ReCAAP ISC. 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-Celebs 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 Seas 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 Centres as shown in map below.

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
### 4-10 September 2018

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<tr>
<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 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>
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<td>Red Lily</td>
<td>Bulk carrier</td>
<td>Panama</td>
<td>46036</td>
<td>97584442</td>
<td>27/08/18</td>
<td>2054 hrs</td>
<td>0° 15.52' S, 117° 41.96' E Muara Berau Anchorage, Samarinda, Indonesia</td>
<td>While at anchor and during cargo operations, the duty crew stationed at the forecastle deck sighted two perpetrators attempted to board the ship through the anchor chain. He immediately notified the duty officer and the master. The alarm was raised, and other crew made their way to the forward deck. Hearing the alerted crew approaching, the perpetrators aborted the attempt and escaped in their boat. The master reported the incident to the ship’s agent.</td>
<td>Nothing was stolen. The crew was not injured.</td>
<td>The duty crew sighted the perpetrators, and immediately informed the duty officer and the master. Alarm was raised, and other crew made their way to the forward deck. The master reported the incident to the ship’s agent.</td>
<td>No information available.</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) and ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan)</td>
<td>No information available.</td>
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