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31 December 2018

To: All Masters, Ship Security Officers, Company Security Officers of Hong Kong registered ships, Hong Kong shipowners, ship Managers and Operators

Security Information

Please find following security information for your reference. All ship masters and companies should pay particular attention, exercise extreme vigilance and take necessary precautionary measures when any ship transiting the mentioned waters.

Yours faithfully,

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(Zhao NI)
Senior Surveyor/Security & Quality Assurance Section
for Director of Marine

Quote:

1. WARNING and Incident Alert

300600 UTC DEC 2018

TO: ALL SHIPS TRANSITING OFF EASTERN SABAH, MALAYSIA/CELEBES SEA/SULU SEA

WARNING WARNING

THIS WARNING IS THE FOLLOW UP WARNING TRANSMITTED SINCE 110900 UTC DEC 2018. UPDATED INFORMATION 14 DEC 2018 AND 27 DEC 2018 BELOW.

AFTER RE-EVALUTION BY MALAYSIAN AND PHILIPPINE INTEL ON 26.12.2018, THIS WARNING IS STILL VALID FOR ANOTHER WEEK AND WILL BE BROADCAST ON ALTERNATE DAYS UNTIL NEXT RE-EVALUTION ON 03.01.2019. CURRENTLY THREAT IS STILL PRESENT.

ASG PLAN KIDNAPPING

THE IMB PRC HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM BOTH MALAYSIAN AND PHILIPPINE INTEL THAT ASG WERE MONITORED PREPARING TO CONDUCT MORE KIDNAPPINGS IN/OFF SEMPORNA AND LAHAD DATU, SABAH. THE ASG IS SAID TO HAVE OBTAINED SOME RANSOM MONEY VIA THEIR EARLIER KIDNAPPINGS AND THIS HAS GIVEN THEM FUNDS TO CONDUCT MORE KIDNAPPINGS. INFORMATION RECEIVED SUGGEST THAT THEY PLAN TO CONDUCT THE KIDNAPPINGS BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

- 1. INFORMATION RECEIVED ON 14 DEC 2018 SHOWED THAT ARMED ASG INTEND TO USE TWO FAST BOATS. ONE WITH 3X200HP BLACK COLOURED AND THE OTHER 2X60HP DARK BLUE COLOURED/BLACK. THEY INTEND TO CONDUCT KIDNAPPINGS ON TOURIST/FISHING VESSELS/TUGS/SHIPS. THE AREA REMAINS HIGH RISK UNTIL THE NEW YEAR.
- 2. INFORMATION RECEIVED ON 27 DEC 2018 INDICATED THAT ABOUT 10 ASG MILITANTS WERE SPOTTED BOARDING TWO BOATS AT PULAU SIBUTU, TAWI TAWI ON 21 DEC 2018. THE BOATS ARE A GREY COLOURED PUMP BOAT FOR 4 PERSONS AND ANOTHER GREY COLOURED SPEED BOAT 2 X 60 HP ENGINES FOR 6 PERSONS. THEY ARE WELL ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND INTEND TO CONDUCT KIDNAPPING ACTIVITIES AROUND SEMPORNA AND SANDAKAN WATERS. ALL VESSELS ARE POSSIBLE TARGETS INCLUDING SMALL FISHINGS VESSELS, YACHTS AND TUG BOATS.

VESSELS ARE ADVISED TO REMAIN VIGILANT AND MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI-PIRACY WATCH AND MEASURES.

EARLY ASSESSMENT / DETECTION WILL ALLOW SHIPS TO TAKE EVASIVE

MEASURES AND OTHER ANTI PIRACY MEASURES TO PREVENT BOARDING AND REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE. CITADEL/SAFE ROOM IS IMPORTANT.

ALL ATTACKS AND SUSPICIOUS SIGHTINGS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TO THE IMB PRC AS PER IMO CIR 1334.

THIS WARNING WILL BE RE-EVALUATED AGAIN ON 03.01.2019.

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180600 UTC DEC 2018

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LATEST INFORMATION RECEIVED ON 14 DEC 2018

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070340UTC DEC 2018

TO: ALL SHIPS TRANSITING IN/OFF SABAH, MALAYSIA

WARNING WARNING

ON 05 DEC 2018 AROUND 1030 UTC, A TUG BOAT WAS ATTACKED BY FOUR ARMED PERSONS IN A SPEED BOAT AT POSITION 05:38.38N - 118:57.44E, OFF SABAH, MALAYSIA. THEY FIRED SHOTS TOWARDS THE TUG BOAT AND ONE CREW WAS SHOT ON THE LEG. MALAYSIAN AUTHORITIES ALERTED AND INTERCEPTED THE TUG BOAT AND RESCUED THE CREW.

VESSELS ARE ADVISED TO REMAIN VIGILANT AND MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI-PIRACY WATCH AND MEASURES.

EARLY ASSESSMENT / DETECTION WILL ALLOW SHIPS TO TAKE EVASIVE MEASURES AND OTHER ANTI PIRACY MEASURES TO PREVENT BOARDING AND REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.

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110100 UTC NOV 2018

TO ALL SHIP TRANSITING OFF SOMALIA/GOA/INDIAN OCEAN.

PIRACY INFORMATION WARNING

INDIAN WARSHIP MANAGED TO INTERCEPT 04 FISHING BOATS WITH SKIFFS IN POSN 05:35.0N - 049:27.5E AT 0130 UTC ON 09 NOV 2018. BOARDING OPERATIONS WERE CONDUCTED ON ALL THE BOATS AND WEAPONS WERE SEIZED WITH OTHER PIRACY MATERIALS.

SHIPS ARE ADVISED TO BE MORE VIGILANT AND MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI PIRACY WATCH AND MEASURES IN THESE WATERS. ADHERE TO THE LATEST BMP 5 RECOMMENDATIONS.

MONITOR ALL SMALL BOATS INCLUDING FISHING BOATS WITH SKIFFS.

REPORT ALL ATTACKS AND SUSPICIOUS SIGHTINGS AND MONITOR OUR IMB PRC WARNING BROADCAST VIA SAFETY NET.

WISHING ALL SHIPS AND CREWS A SAFE VOYAGE

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062300 UTC NOV 2018

TO: ALL SHIPS TRANSITING OFF SOMALIA / INDIAN OCEAN

WARNING WARNING

ON 06 NOV 2018 AROUND 2000 UTC A FISHING VESSEL IN POSITION 03:00S, 048 28E, AROUND 355NM SE OF MOGADISHU, SOMALIA WAS REPORTED BEING UNDER ATTACK AND CHASED BY PIRATES. THE FISHING VESSEL MANAGED TO ESCAPED.

VESSELS TRANSITING THE AREA ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION AND REMAIN VIGILANT. ADHERE TO THE LATEST BMP RECOMMENDATIONS.

ALL ATTACKS AND SUSPICIOUS SIGHTINGS SHOULD BE REPORTED.

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310600 UTC OCT 2018

TO: ALL SHIPS TRANSITING OFF EASTERN SABAH, MALAYSIA/CELEBES SEA/SULU SEA

WARNING WARNING

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RELATED TO THE ABOVE, EIGHT FULLY ARMED MEN FROM JOLO SULU BELIEVED TO BE ASG MEMBERS WERE SIGHTED AT SITANGKAI TAWI-TAWI, ONBOARD 2 PUMPBOAT DOUBLE ENGINE. THE GROUP MAY ALSO BE PLANNING TO GO UNDERWAY TO SEMPORNA FOR KIDNAPPING ACTIVITIES.

VESSELS ARE ADVISED TO REMAIN VIGILANT AND MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI-PIRACY WATCH AND MEASURES.

EXTREME CAUTION IS ADVISED.

EARLY ASSESSMENT / DETECTION WILL ALLOW SHIPS TO TAKE EVASIVE

MEASURES TO PREVENT BOARDING AND REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.

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Date: 30 Oct 2018

- 1. The ReCAAP ISC has received information from the Philippine Focal Point (Philippine Coast Guard) that a group of approximately 10 ASG (Abu Sayyaf Group) members armed with pistol, rifles and grenade launcher is planning to conduct kidnapping activities at any opportune time in undisclosed areas in Sabah primarily targeting businessmen or ship's crew of foreign vessels passing through the area. They are using unmarked coloured blue and white motorbanca locally known as jungkong.
- 2. Ship masters and crew are strongly urged to exercise extra vigilance when transiting the waters off Eastern Sabah and Sulu-Celebes Seas.
- 3. Source: Philippine Coast Guard

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290600 UTC OCT 2018

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2. ANTI PIRACY SITREP MSG:

ANTI PIRACY SITREP MSG: P152/2018

270001 UTC DEC 2018

THIS MSG IS BROADCAST BY THE 24HOUR MANNED IMB PIRACY REPORTING CENTRE (IMB PRC). THE IMB PRC CAN BE CONTACTED FROM ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD BY MASTERS REQUIRING ASSISTANCE AND TO REPORT ANY INCIDENT OF PIRACY OR ARMED ROBBERY ON. TEL: +60 3 2078 5763 FAX: +60 3 2078 5769, E-MAIL:IMBKL@ICC-CCS.ORG /:PIRACY@ICC-CCS.ORG. THE CENTRE'S 24 HOURS ANTI PIRACY HELPLINE IS: +60 3 2031 0014.

THIS BROADCAST WARNS SHIPS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY PRONE AREAS IN WATERS OF EAST AFRICA, THE INDIAN SUB CONTINENT, SOUTH EAST AND EAST ASIA.

ALL ATTACKS AND SUSPICIOUS SIGHTINGS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TO THE IMB PRC AS PER IMO CIR 1334.

WARNINGS/OVERVIEW:

SOMALI PIRACY

SOMALI PIRATES CONTINUE TO POSSESS THE CAPABILITY AND CAPACITY TO CARRY OUT ATTACKS. ALL MERCHANT SHIPS ARE ADVISED TO ADHERE TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN THE BMP5 WHILE TRANSITING THESE WATERS. MASTERS AND SHIP OWNERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER AND REPORT THEIR VESSELS AS PER THE BMP5 PROCEDURES AS WELL AS HARDEN THEIR VESSELS PRIOR ENTERING THE HIGH-RISK AREA. WHILE TRANSITING THROUGH THESE WATERS IT IS ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN A 24-HOUR VISUAL AND RADAR WATCH. KEEPING IN MIND THE WARNINGS AND ALERTS FOR THE REGION, EARLY SIGHTINGS AND DETECTION OF APPROACHING BOATS WILL ALLOW MASTERS AND PCASP TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS TO KEEP CLEAR OF SMALL BOATS, DHOWS, FISHING VESSELS AND IF NECESSARY TAKE EVASIVE ACTIONS AND REQUEST ASSISTANCE AS NEEDED.

THE THREAT OF THESE ATTACKS STILL EXISTS IN THE WATERS OFF SOUTHERN RED SEA / BAB EL MANDEB, GULF OF ADEN INCLUDING YEMEN AND THE NORTHERN SOMALI COAST, ARABIAN SEA / OFF OMAN, GULF OF OMAN AND OFF THE EASTERN AND SOUTHERN SOMALI COAST.

SOMALI PIRATES TEND TO BE WELL ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND RPGS AND SOMETIMES USE SKIFFS LAUNCHED FROM MOTHER VESSELS, WHICH MAY BE HIJACKED FISHING VESSELS OR DHOWS, TO CONDUCT ATTACKS FAR FROM THE SOMALI COAST. IN THE PAST

VESSELS HAVE BEEN ATTACKED OFF KENYA, TANZANIA, SEYCHELLES, MADAGASCAR, MOZAMBIQUE AS WELL AS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND OFF THE WEST AND SOUTH COASTS OF INDIA AND WEST MALDIVES.

MASTERS ARE REMINDED THAT FISHERMEN IN THIS REGION MAY BE ARMED AND WILL TRY TO PROTECT THEIR NETS BY ATTEMPTING TO AGGRESSIVELY APPROACH MERCHANT VESSELS. THESE SHOULD NOT BE CONFUSED WITH PIRATES.

THE IMB PRC WILL CONTINUE TO ALERT AND BROADCAST INFORMATION TO ALL SHIPS IN THE REGION VIA INMARSAT EGC SAFETY NET.

SOUTH CHINA SEA AND SURROUNDING WATERS - A NUMBER OF HIJACKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN THE PAST. PIRATES TARGETING SMALL PRODUCT TANKERS USUALLY BELOW 6000 GRT CARRYING GAS OIL OR DIESEL OIL OR LUBE OIL CARGOES. ONCE HIJACKED, PIRATES FORCED SHIP CREW TO SAIL TO UNKNOWN LOCATION WHERE ANOTHER UNKNOWN TANKER WILL COME ALONGSIDE TO STEAL THE OIL CARGO. VESSELS ARE REMINDED TO MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI PIRACY WATCH AND REMAIN VIGILANT. GENERALLY SUCCESSFUL HIJACKING REQUIRES PIRATES TO ATTACK BY SURPRISE. PIRATES NORMALLY ARMED WITH GUNS AND KNIVES. THESE HIJACKINGS HAVE STOPPED DUE TO THE ARREST OF SUSPECTED CRIMINALS IN MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA. HOWEVER, IN 2017 TWO TANKERS WERE HIJACKED WITH SIMILAR MODUS OPERANDI. THE IMB PRC IS MONITORING THE SITUATION.

INDIAN COAST GUARD ADVISORY:

INDIAN AUTHORITIES ADVISORY INDICATED THAT DENSE FISHING ACTIVITY MAY BE ENCOUNTERED OFF THE WEST COAST OF INDIA. GENERALLY LOCAL FISHING BOATS EQUIPPED WITH OUTBOARD MOTOR WITH ABOUT FOUR OF FIVE FISHERMEN MAY CAST THEIR NETS UP TO 50NM OR MORE FROM COAST. MERCHANT VESSELS APPROACHING THE FISHING NETS MAY ENCOUNTER FISHERMEN TRYING TO PROTECT THEIR NETS BY CHASING AWAY THE MERCHANT VESSELS. THESE FISHERMEN SHOULD NOT BE MISTAKEN FOR SOMALI PIRATES OR PAGS IN SKIFFS. MASTERS SHOULD REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS BOATS TO MRCC MUMBAI /INDIAN COAST GUARD OR NAVY AND IMB PRC. IF POSSIBLE, PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE TAKEN.

IMB PRC - INDONESIAN MARINE POLICE ADVISORY:

THE INDONESIAN MARINE POLICE AND IMB CONTINUE TO COOPERATE TO DISCUSS VARIOUS ISSUES. SHIPS ARE ADVISED TO MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI PIRACY WATCHES IN INDONESIAN WATERS PARTICULARLY DURING THE NIGHT. PIRATES IN THESE WATERS WILL NORMALLY ABORT ANY ATTEMPTED ATTACK ONCE SPOTTED BY CREW MEMBERS AND ALARM SOUNDED.

INDONESIAN MARINE POLICE ADVISE ALL SHIPS INTENDING TO ANCHOR

TO DO SO AT/NEAR THE FOLLOWING AREAS WHERE INDONESIAN MARINE POLICE WILL CONDUCT PATROLS. DUE TO LIMITED ASSETS, IT IS EASIER FOR THEM TO CONDUCT PATROLS AND KEEP THE MENTIONED AREA SAFE IF ALL VESSELS ARE IN THE SAME LOCATION.

- 1. BELAWAN AT POSITION: 03:55.00N-098:45.30E
- 2. DUMAI AT POSITION: 01:42.00N-101:28.00E
- 3. NIPAH AT POSITION: 01:07.30N-103:37.00E
- 4. TANJUNG BERAKIT/BINTAN AT POSITION: 01:23.30N-104:42.30E
- 5. TANJUNG PRIOK AT POSITION: 06:00.30S-106:54.00E
- 6. GRESIK AT POSITION: 07:09.00S-112:40.00E
- 7. TABONEO AT POSITION: 03:41.30S-114:28.00E
- 8. ADANG BAY AT POSITION: 01:40.00S-116:40.00E
- 9. MUARA BERAU AT POSITION: 00:17.00S-117:36.00E
- 10. BALIKPAPAN AT POSITION: 01:22.00S-116:53.00E

MALAYSIAN MARITIME ENFORCEMENT AGENCY ADVISORY:

IN VIEW OF HIJACKINGS OF OIL TANKERS IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA IN THE PAST, SHIPS ARE ADIVSED TO MAINTAIN A VIGILANT ANTI PIRACY WATCH. THE MALAYSIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE DEPLOYED MORE PATROL VESSELS AND HELICOPTERS IN THE AREA. VESSELS ARE TO REPORT ALL ACTUAL AND ATTEMPTED ATTACKS AND SUSPICIOUS SIGHTINGS ESPECIALLY VESSELS WITHOUT AIS POSITION AND BEHAVING SUSPICIOUSLY TO THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND THE IMB PIRACY REPORTING CENTRE IMMEDIATELY SO THAT THE AUTHORITIES CAN RESPOND.

IMB PRC ADVISORY / SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES /EASTERN SABAH GENERAL ADVISORY FOR SHIPS TRANSITING CELEBES SEA / SULU SEA / OFF EASTERN SABAH / OFF SIBUTU ISLAND, TAWI TAWI, PHILIPPINES. MILITANTS TARGETING TUGS, BARGES, FISHING VESSELS, YACHTS, MERCHANT SHIPS TO ROB AND KIDNAP CREWS FOR RANSOM. THESE KIDNAPPINGS BY MILITANTS HAD STOPPED SINCE MARCH 2017 BUT RECENTLY ON 10.09.2018, TWO CREWS WERE KIDNAPPED OFF SABAH. THESE KIDNAPPERS ARE BELIEVED TO BE AFFILIATED TO THE ASG. VESSELS TRANSITING THESE WATERS SHOULD REFER TO THE SABAH NOTICE TO MARINERS NTM 14 OF 2017 ON THE SHIP REPORTING SYSTEM.

REPORTED ATTACKS RECEIVED IN THE LAST 24 HOURS NIL

SUSPICIOUS SIGHTINGS/INCIDENTS RECEIVED IN THE LAST 24 HOURS NIL

GULF OF ADEN/EAST AFRICA/ARABIAN SEA/INDIAN OCEAN: PAST ATTACKS ATTRIBUTED BY SOMALI PIRATES REPORTED AT GULF OF ADEN/SOUTHERN RED SEA/BAB EL MANDEB TSS/OFF YEMEN, OFF OMAN/GULF OF OMAN/OFF SOMALIA/OFF KENYA/OFF TANZANIA/OFF

MOZAMBIQUE/MOZAMBIQUE CHANNEL/OFF MADAGASCAR/OFF SEYCHELLES/OFF WESTERN MALDIVES/OFF WESTERN INDIA/ARABIAN SEA/INDIAN OCEAN.

INCIDENTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY REPORTED FOR ABOVE AREAS FROM 20.12.2018 TO 26.12.2018 NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

SOUTH EAST AND EAST ASIA: INCIDENTS IN THESE WATERS TEND TO BE LOW LEVEL ROBBERY INCIDENTS CARRIED OUT BY ROBBERS ARMED WITH KNIVES AND AT TIMES GUNS. THE INCIDENTS ARE CARRIED OUT MAINLY AT ANCHOR AND DURING THE HOURS OF DARKNESS. A NUMBER OF SMALL PRODUCT TANKERS HIJACKINGS HAD ALSO OCCURRED IN THE PAST. SHIPS ARE ADVISED TO MAINTAIN STRICT ANTI PIRACY WATCHES ESPECIALLY AS THE ROBBERS/PIRATES TEND TO RETREAT ONCE SPOTTED.

CHINA: TIANJIN / CAOFEIDIAN - INCIDENTS MOSTLY AT ANCHORAGE AREA. RECENTLY ATTACKS HAVE STOPPED BUT SHIPS ARE STILL ADVISED TO REMAIN VIGILANT.

INCIDENTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY REPORTED FOR ABOVE AREAS FROM 20.12.2018 TO 26.12.2018

NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

INDONESIAN PORTS AND WATERS: INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED OFF TANJUNG PRIOK (JAKARTA) / BATU AMPAR / BATAM / BINTAN ISLAND AND MUARA BERAU. BE VIGILANT IN OTHER AREAS AS ATTACKS MAY HAVE GONE UNREPORTED. INDONESIAN MARINE POLICE RECENT ACTIONS HAVE REDUCED SOME ATTACKS IN SOME LOCATIONS. INCIDENTS AT MUARA BERAU APPEARS TO BE INCREASING AND AUTHORITIES ARE TAKING NECESSARY ACTION TO CONTAIN THIS MENACE.

INCIDENTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY REPORTED FOR ABOVE AREAS FROM 20.12.2018 TO 26.12.2018

NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

MALAYSIA

OFF SABAH: MILITANT ACTIVITIES RESULTING IN A NUMBER OF TUGS/BARGES/FISHING VESSELS/SHIPS BEING ATTACKED AND CREWS KIDNAPPED. ON 10.09.18, 2 CREWS WERE KIDNAPPED.

INCIDENTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY REPORTED FOR ABOVE AREAS FROM 20.12.2018 TO 26.12.2018

NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

MALACCA STRAITS: ALTHOUGH THE NUMBER OF ATTACKS HAS DROPPED DUE TO INCREASE AND AGGRESSIVE PATROLS BY THE LITTORAL STATES AUTHORITIES, VESSELS ARE ADVISED TO CONTINUE TO REMAIN VIGILANT WHILE TRANSITING THESE WATERS.

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NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

PHILIPPINES

PIRATES/MILITANTS IN THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES ATTACKING VESSELS IN/OFF SIBUTU PASSAGE/OFF SIBUTU ISLAND / TAWI TAWI / SULU SEA / CELEBES SEA / OFF EASTERN SABAH. THEY TARGET ALL TYPES OF VESSELS INCLUDING MERCHANT SHIPS TO ROB AND KIDNAP CREWS FOR RANSOM.

BATANGAS AND MANILA: - BE VIGILANT. RECORDED A NUMBER OF PAST INCIDENTS.

INCIDENTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY REPORTED FOR ABOVE AREAS FROM 20.12.2018 TO 26.12.2018

NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

SINGAPORE STRAITS

SHIPS ARE ADVISED TO REMAIN VIGILANT. ATTACK / INCIDENTS OCCURRED NORMALLY AT NIGHT.

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NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

SOUTH CHINA SEA: OFF TIOMAN ISLAND / PULAU AUR, MALAYSIA / OFF MANGKAI ISLAND / NATUNA ISLAND / ANAMBAS ISLAND / SUBI BESAR. VESSELS BELOW 6000 GRT HAVE BEEN HIJACKED IN THE PAST PARTICULARLY GAS OIL/DIESEL TANKERS. VESSELS ADVISED TO BE VIGILANT WHILE TRANSITING THESE WATERS.

INCIDENTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY REPORTED FOR ABOVE AREAS FROM 20.12.2018 TO 26.12.2018

NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO BE ADDED

VIETNAM

VUNG TAU: ATTACKS APPEAR TO HAVE STOPPED BUT VESSELS ADVISED TO REMAIN VIGILANT.

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