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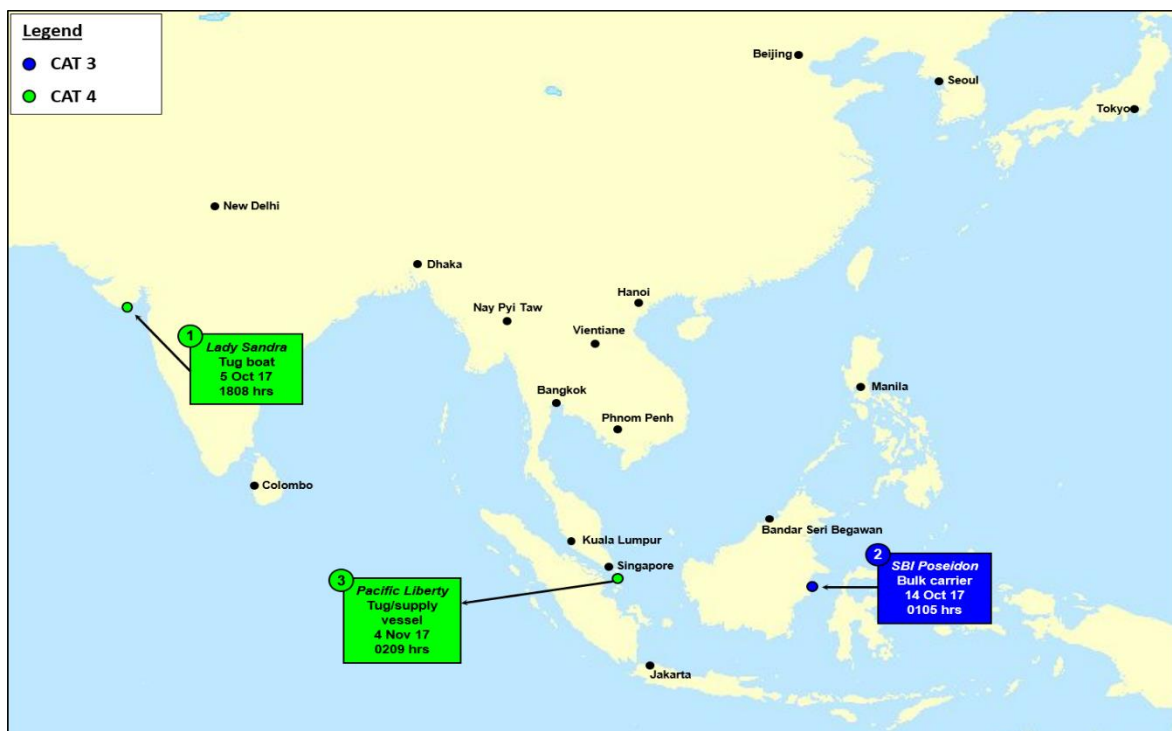
## ReCAAP ISC Weekly Report

### 31 October - 6 November 2017

## Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia

### OVERVIEW

During the period of 31 Oct - 6 Nov 17, three incidents of armed robbery against ships were reported to the ReCAAP ISC. The location of the incidents is shown in the map below; and detailed description tabulated in attachment.



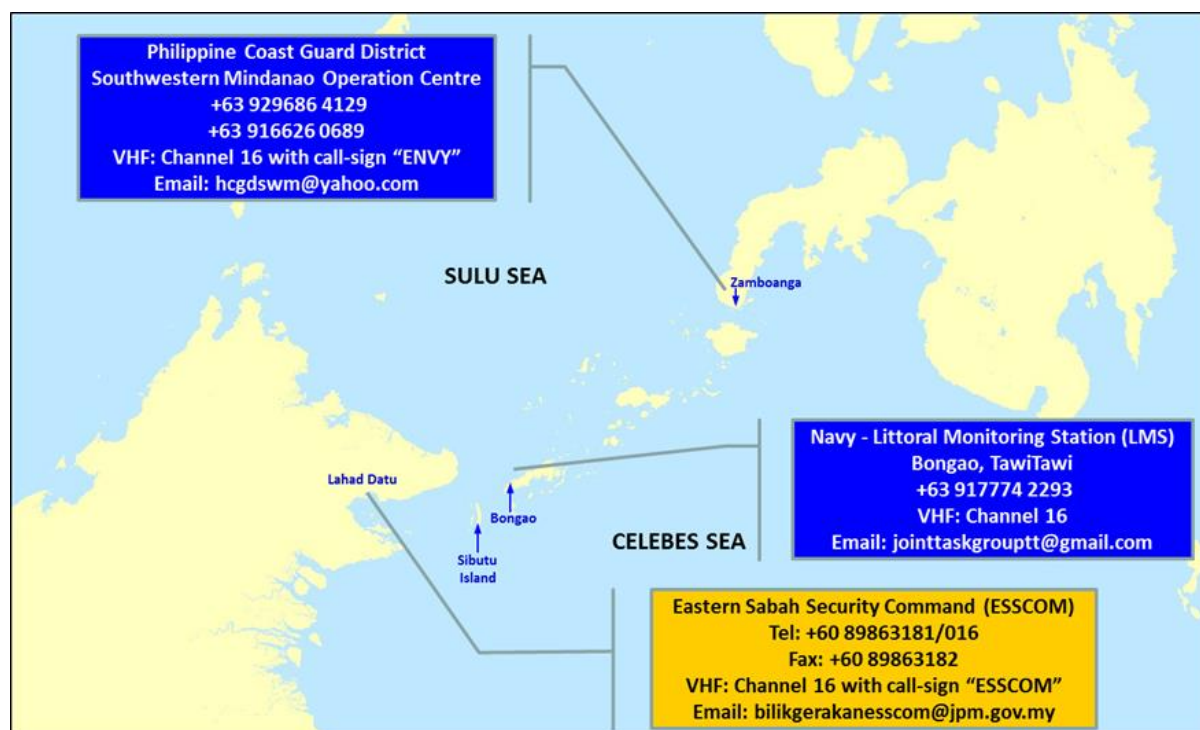
Location of incidents

Also included in this report was an incident that occurred outside Asia (at Cartagena Inner Anchorage, Columbia) on 29 Oct 17. The incident involved *Stina Kosan*, a Singapore-registered LPG was reported to the ReCAAP ISC by ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore).

## RECOMMENDATIONS

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*.

The ReCAAP ISC reiterates its advisory issued via the *ReCAAP ISC Incident Alert* dated 21 November 2016 to all ships to re-route from the area, where possible. Otherwise, ship masters and crew are strongly urged to exercise extra vigilance while transiting the Sulu-Celebes Sea and eastern Sabah region, and report immediately to the following Centres:



Contact details of the reporting centres

**Description of Incidents of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships  
31 October- 6 November 2017**

	<b>Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage IMO Number</b>	<b>Date Local time of Incident (LT)</b>	<b>Position of the Incident</b>	<b>Details of the Incident</b>	<b>Consequences for crew, ship, cargo</b>	<b>Action taken by the master and crew</b>	<b>Was the incident reported to the coastal authority? Which one?</b>	<b>Reporting State or International Organization</b>	<b>Coastal State Action Taken</b>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>ACTUAL INCIDENT</b>									
1	<b>Lady Sandra</b> Tug boat India 2599 9172284  <b>Iron Mong</b> Motor tanker	5/10/17 1808 hrs	20° 43.36' N, 71° 29.1' E  Approximately 11 nm south of Pipavav LT, India	While underway, five to six perpetrators on board a fishing boat <i>Makhdoom</i> approached and attempted to board the unmanned motor tanker, <i>Iron Mong</i> which was towed by tug boat, <i>Lady Sandra</i> , but failed. The perpetrators snatched the grab line and the Norwegian buoy attached to the ETA (emergency towing arrangement) of <i>Iron Mong</i> . The master alerted the crew, initiated anti-piracy measures and manoeuvred the ship evasively. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and the marine police conducted an investigation of the incident.	The crew was not injured  The grab line and Norwegian buoy were stolen.	The master alerted the crew, activated the anti-piracy measures, and manoeuvred the ship evasively.	Yes  VTS Khambhat, West Marine Police and ICG VTS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (India)	The ICG and marine police conducted an investigation of the incident.
2	<b>SBI Poseidon</b> Bulk carrier Liberia 34507 9760067	14/10/17 0105 hrs	00° 13' S, 117° 35' E  Muara Berau, Samarinda Inner Anchorage, Kalimantan, Indonesia	While at anchor, two perpetrators on board a wooden craft boarded the ship via the anchor chain. They stole two spare mooring ropes and threatened the duty A/B with knives. As the perpetrators were escaping, the duty A/B raised the alarm and the crew was alerted. The local agent was also informed.	The crew was not injured.  Two pieces of spare mooring ropes were stolen.	Raised the alarm and alerted the crew.  Informed the local agent and the local authorities.	Yes  Local authorities	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	No available information
3	<b>Pacific Liberty</b> Tug/ supply vessel Singapore 5179 9648398	4/11/17 0209 hrs	1° 11.1' N, 103° 59.7' E  Batu Ampar Anchorage, Pulau Batam, Indonesia	While at anchor, three barefooted perpetrators, dressed in short pants and shirts boarded the ship from a small wooden boat with outboard engine. They cut the padlock to gain access to the ship propulsion room through the starboard aft of the emergency escape hatch.	The crew was not injured.  Various tools and electrical cable were stolen.  Padlocks to propulsion room, electrical locker, deck store on starboard side of main deck	The master raised the emergency alarm.	Yes  Flag state	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	No available information

				<p>The duty AB sighted the perpetrators and shouted to them. He informed the bridge and raised the general alarm. Upon hearing the alarm, the perpetrators fled from the ship via its starboard aft mooring access in their wooden boat which was heading towards McDermott Shipyard in Pulau Batam. A search was carried out and various tools and electrical cables were stolen. The padlocks to the propulsion room, electrical locker, deck store on starboard side of main deck accommodation and AC unit room were found cut by the bolt cutter.</p>	<p>accommodation and AC room were damaged.</p>				
<b>INCIDENT OUTSIDE ASIA THAT WAS REPORTED BY ReCAAP FOCAL POINT</b>									
4	<p><b>Stina Kosan</b> LPG Singapore 9175 9374569</p>	<p>29/10/17 0130 hrs</p>	<p>10° 19.5' N, 75° 31.7' W  Cartagena Inner Anchorage, Columbia</p>	<p>While at anchor, three perpetrators boarded the ship from a small craft, cut open the padlock to gain access to the forecastle and stole the ship's properties (one mooring rope and one breathing apparatus). The perpetrators were reported to be thin in body frame and were able to pass through the hawse pipe of the ship.</p> <p>The crew was not injured. The ship resumed her voyage for the next port of call in China.</p>	<p>The crew was not injured.</p> <p>The padlock in the forecastle was forcibly broken.</p> <p>One mooring rope and one breathing apparatus set were stolen.</p>	<p>The master raised the alarm and made an announcement via the PA system. The crew maintained added watch during hour of darkness and conducted frequent roving on deck.</p>	<p>Yes  Port control</p>	<p>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)</p>	<p>The port control authorities sent roving craft to the area after the incident was reported.</p>