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Incident Alert

Incidents off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia

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On 17 Jul 21, two incidents of unauthorised boarding occurred to ships while underway off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia. The two incidents occurred within an interval of 30 mins and in close proximity to each other in the eastbound lane of the Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS) in the Singapore Strait.

In both incidents, the perpetrators were armed with knives. They were sighted in the engine room in one incident, and in the steering gear room in the other. In both incidents, the perpetrators escaped upon being sighted, the crew was safe and nothing was stolen.

The ReCAAP ISC is concerned with the persistent occurrence of incidents in the Singapore Strait, particularly a cluster of incidents off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia. Since January 2021, a total of 22 incidents occurred in the Singapore Strait, with 18 incidents occurred off Tanjung Pergam. Perpetrators were armed with knives in nine incidents, the crew was assaulted in two incidents and engine spares were stolen in six incidents.

The location of the 18 incidents off Tanjung Pergam are indicated with latitude and longitude in the map next page.

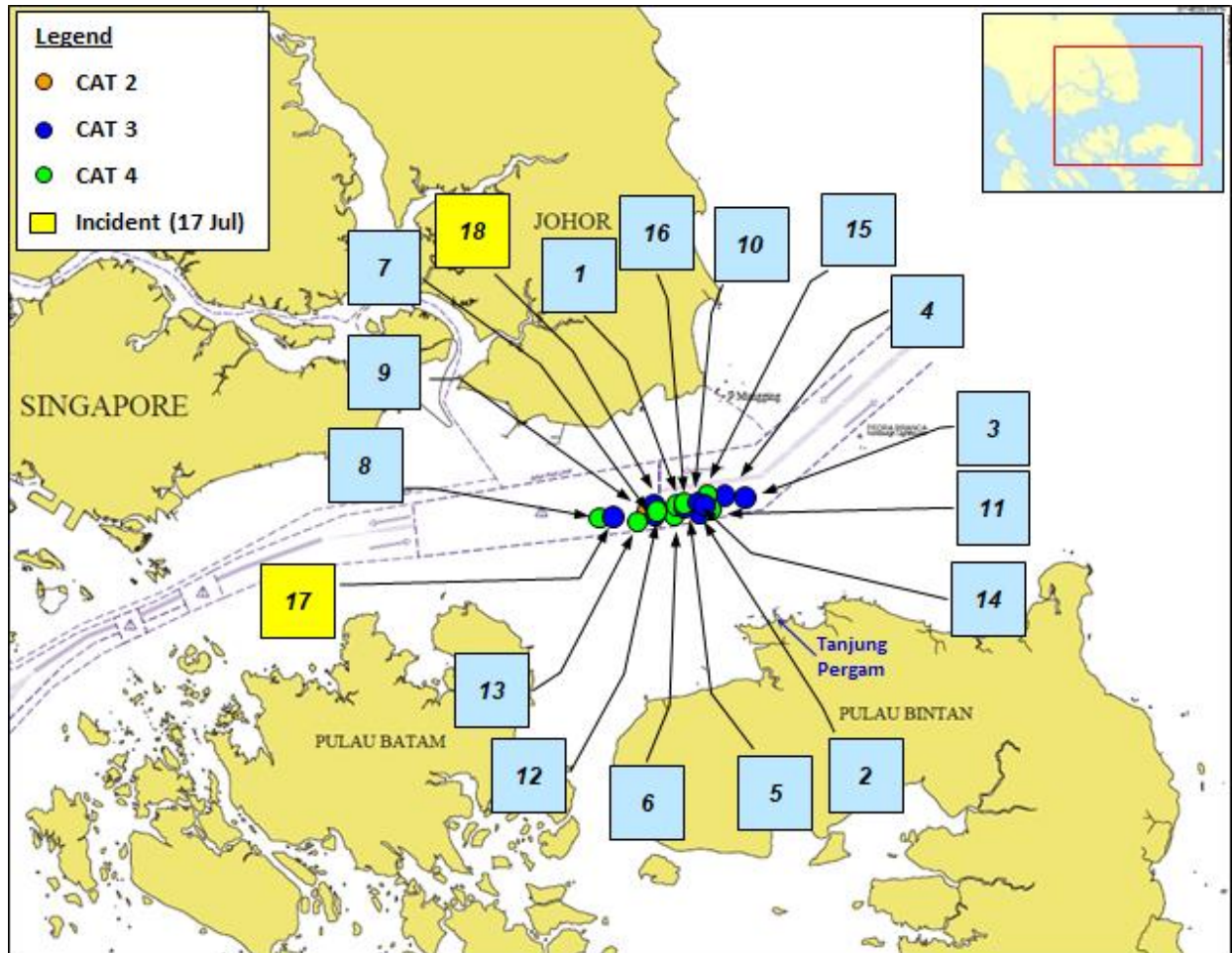
As the perpetrators are not arrested, there is a possibility of further incidents off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island.

All ships are advised to intensify vigilance and look-out in that area during night time, adopt preventive measures and report all incidents immediately to the nearest coastal State. Ship masters and crew are advised to get the latest information (at www.recaap.org) and tune-in to advisories and navigational broadcasts announced by the littoral States.

The ReCAAP ISC urges the littoral States to increase patrols in their respective waters, respond promptly to incidents and strengthen coordination among littoral States, in order to arrest the perpetrators.



1. Details of the 18 Incidents off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island since January 2021.



Location of the 18 incidents occurred off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia in the Singapore Strait (January-17 July 2021)

[Details of ships and the location of incidents in next page]



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| 1 Ark Royal Bulk carrier 25 Jan 21, 0325 hrs 1° 16.58' N, 104° 15.7' E | 2 Elvia Bulk carrier 28 Jan 21, 2232 hrs 1° 16.15' N, 104° 16.72' E | 3 Vantage Wave General cargo ship 29 Jan 21, 0221 hrs 1° 16.95' N, 104° 18.92' E |
| 4 African Queen Bulk carrier 25 Mar 21, 0325 hrs 1° 17' N, 104° 18' E | 5 Trina Oldendorff Bulk carrier 8 Apr 21, 0147 hrs 1° 16.5' N, 104° 16.1' E | 6 Harrisburg Petroleum / Chemical tanker 8 Apr 21, 0550 hrs 1° 16.13' N, 104° 15.56' E |
| 7 Pantazis L Bulk carrier 11 Apr 21, 0115 hrs 1° 16.32' N, 104° 14.75' E | 8 Name withheld Petroleum / Chemical tanker 17 Apr 21, 0140 hrs 1° 16.03' N, 104° 12.08' E | 9 Ioanna L Bulk carrier 17 Apr 21, 0500 hrs 1° 16.4' N, 104° 14.3' E |
| 10 Alea Bulk carrier 23 May 21, 2230 hrs 1° 16.7' N, 104° 16.6' E | 11 RB Eden Bulk carrier 24 May 21, 0046 hrs 1° 16.13' N, 104° 15.56' E | 12 New Leonidas Bulk carrier 2 Jun 21, 0035 hrs 1° 16.22' N, 104° 14.59' E |
| 13 Cape Lily Bulk carrier 5 Jun 21, 0130 hrs 1° 15.87' N, 104° 13.72' E | 14 Busan Star Bulk carrier 26 Jun 21, 0005 hrs 1° 16.5' N, 104° 16.9' E | 15 Sakizaya Champion Bulk carrier 26 Jun 21, 0014 hrs 1° 17.15' N, 104° 17' E |
| 16 J Mare Bulk carrier 30 Jun 21, 0030 hrs 1° 16.53' N, 104° 16.1' E | 17 Star Nike Bulk carrier 17 Jul 21, 0016 hrs 1° 16.03' N, 104° 12.58' E | 18 Adventurer Bulk carrier 17 Jul 21, 0040 hrs 1° 16.6' N, 104° 14.6' E |

2. Details of Incidents on 17 July

The ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) reported to the ReCAAP ISC two incidents that occurred to ships while underway off Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia on 17 Jul 21. The details of these two incidents are as follows:

- a. On 17 Jul at about 0016 hrs, when bulk carrier, *Star Nike* was underway at about 9 nm northwest of Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, five unauthorised persons were sighted in the steering gear room. The perpetrators escaped upon being sighted. The ship's alarm was raised and crew mustered. A search on board the ship was conducted but with no further sighting of the perpetrators. The master



declared that nothing was stolen. All crew are safe and accounted for. No assistance was required and the ship continued her voyage for Manila, the Philippines. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF) and Singapore Police Coast Guard were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.

b. On 17 Jul at about 0040 hrs, when a bulk carrier, *Adventurer* was underway at about 7.7 nm northwest of Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, five unauthorised persons were sighted in the engine room. The perpetrators escaped upon being sighted. The ship's alarm was raised and crew mustered. A search on board the ship was conducted but with no further sighting of the perpetrators. The master declared that nothing was stolen. All crew are safe and accounted for. No assistance was required and the ship continued her voyage for Kaohsiung, Taiwan, China. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF and Singapore Police Coast Guard were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.

