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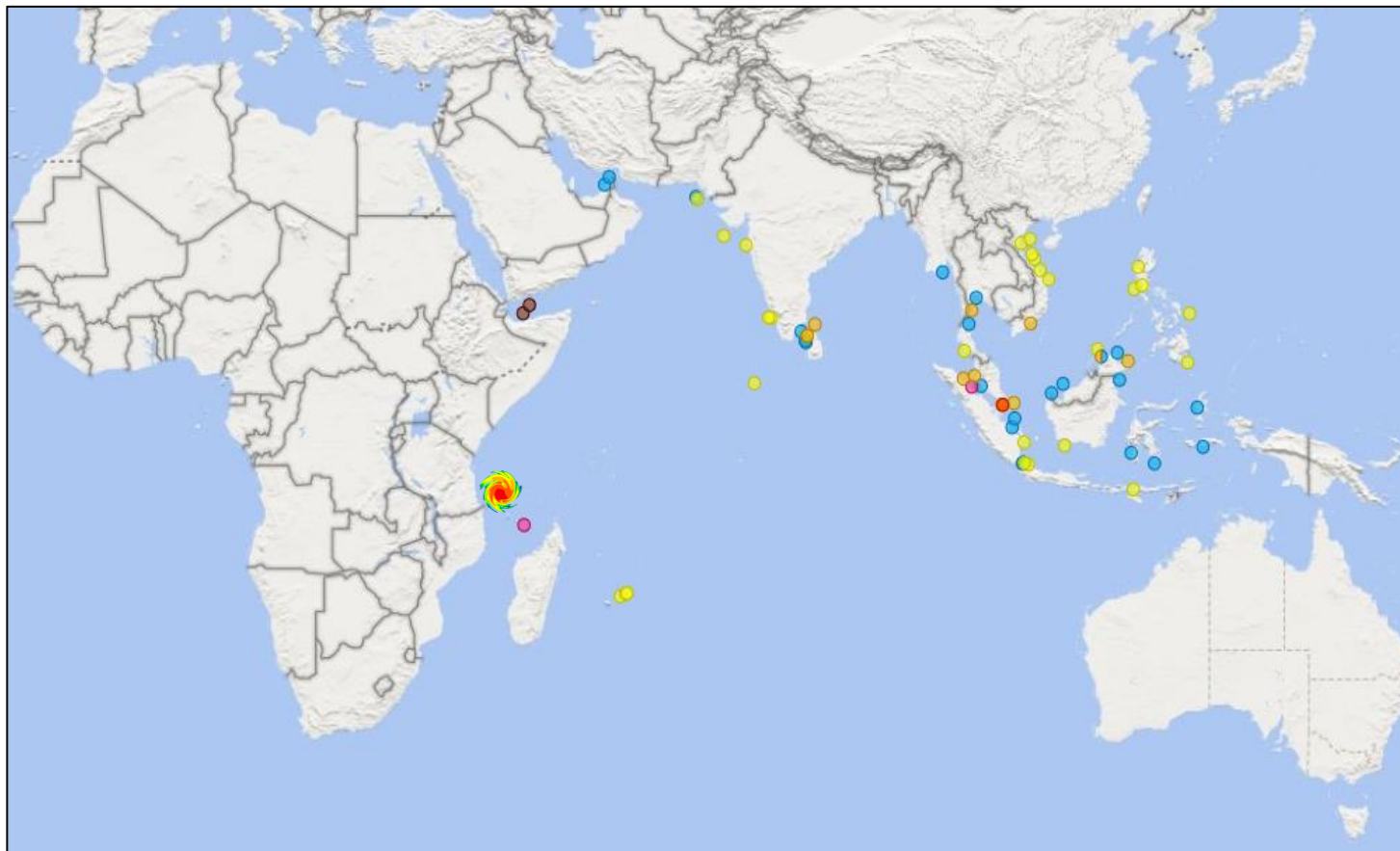


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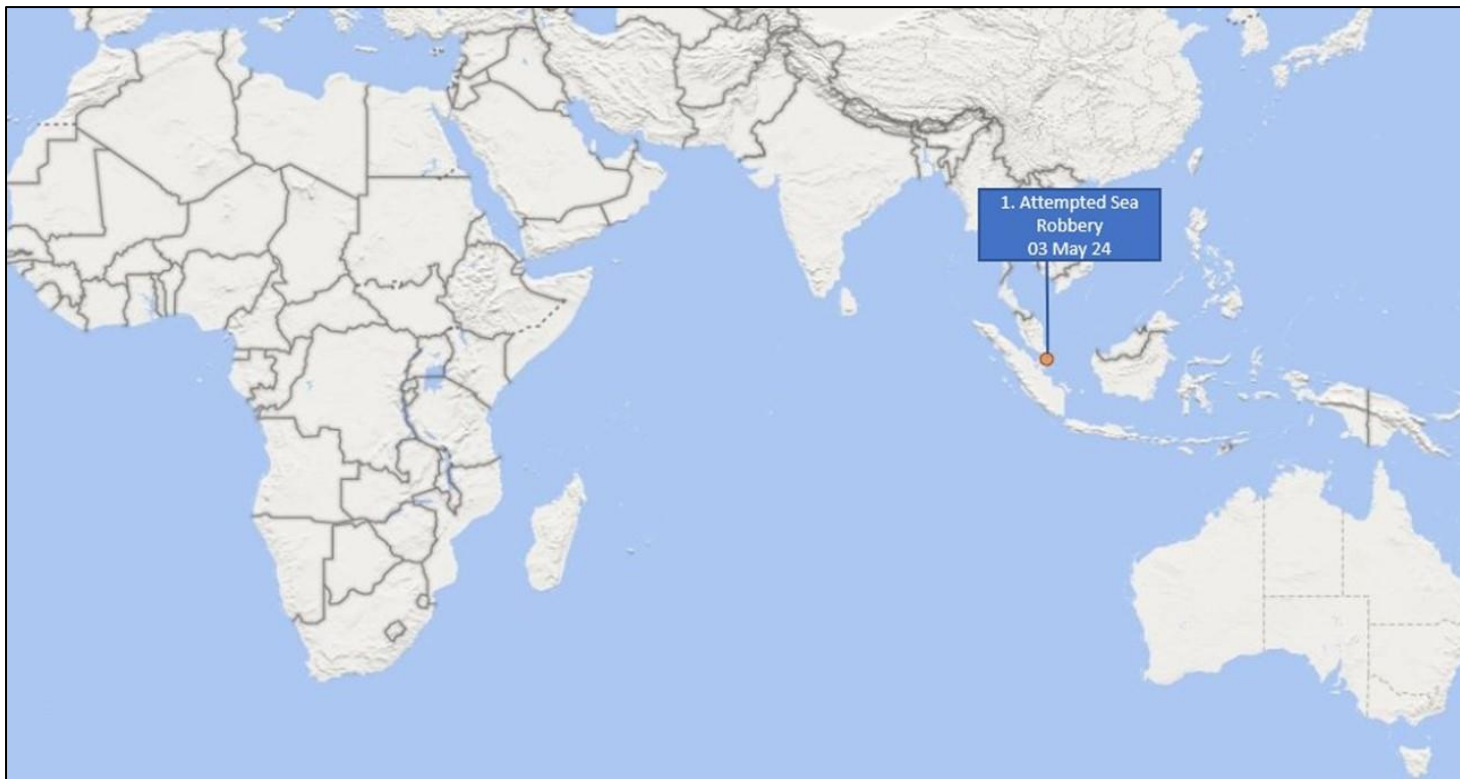
Category	No
Piracy & Armed Robbery	01
Contraband Smuggling	23
IUU Fishing	10
Irregular Human Migration	02
Maritime Incidents	29
Maritime Security Threats (Hybrid)	02
Cyber Security Threats	Nil
Marine Environment Pollution	Nil
Climate Change & Security	Nil
Others	Nil
Total incidents	67
Cyclone(s)	01



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Sub-Category	No
● Attack	Nil
● Kidnap	Nil
● Hijack	Nil
● Hijack & Kidnap	Nil
● Sea Robbery	Nil
● Sea Theft	Nil
● Illegal Boarding	Nil
● Attempted Sea Robbery	01
● Attempted Sea Theft	Nil
● Attempted Boarding	Nil
● Suspicious Approach	Nil
Total incidents	01



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1.	03 May 24 2330 LT	Attempted sea robbery	Indonesia/ Singapore Straits	01° 06'.67 N 103° 44'.95 E	<i>APIRADEE NAREE</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Singapore IMO: 9613410 MMSI: 566631000	03 perpetrators armed with a rod boarded the bulk carrier while underway. Ship's crew raised alarm. Perpetrators escaped and no items stolen.	Safe	Underway	UNK

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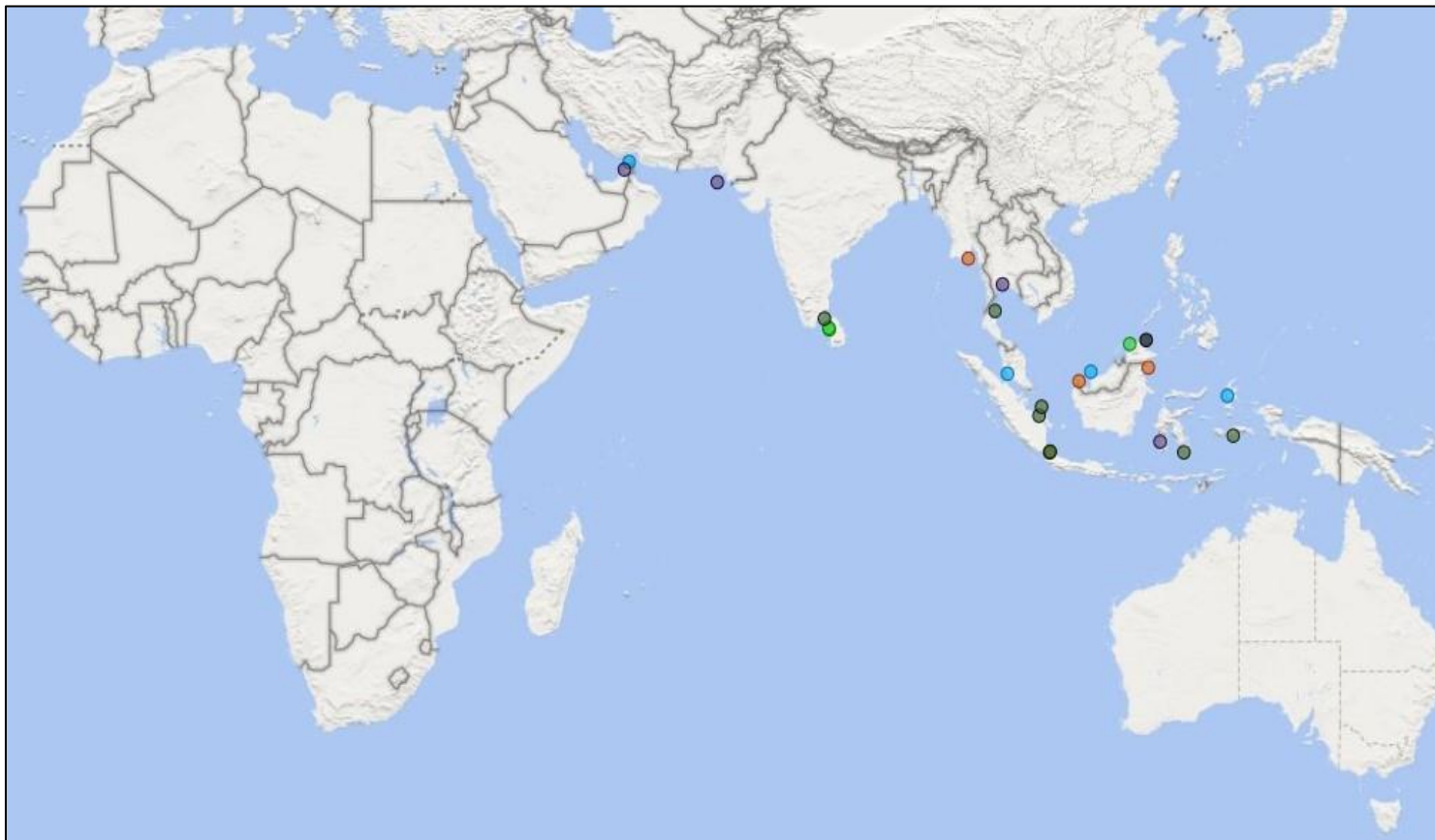
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6.	28 Apr 24 1300 LT	Suspicious approach	Yemen/ Gulf of Aden	177 nm SE of Nishtun	<i>TOPAZ BELAYA</i> General Cargo Flag - Marshall Island IMO: 9811579 MMSI: 538007325	01 small craft with 04 persons onboard approached the vessel on port side. The vessel conducted self protection measures. The small craft ceased its pursuit and left. The vessel and all crew were safe.	Safe	Underway	UNK



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Alcohol	04
Domestic Products	03
Drugs	04
Fuel	Nil
Natural Resources	03
Tobacco	Nil
Weapons	Nil
Wildlife	08
Others	01
Total incidents	23



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1.	19 Apr 24	Indonesia/ Banda Sea	At Murham Baubau Port, Lajur	<i>NGGAPULU</i> Passenger ship Flag - Indonesia IMO: 9226499 MMSI: 525005047	Wildlife	Kangaroos, parrots and birds	UNK/ UNK	Protected species. Without valid documents.	Indonesia authorities
2.	21 Apr 24	Indonesia/ Java Sea	At Bakauheni Port, Lampung	NA	Wildlife	Turtles	60/ UNK	Protected species. Without valid documents. 01 vehicle seized.	Indonesia authorities
3.	22 Apr 24	Indonesia/ South China Sea	Off Jambione	<i>CAHAYA INDAH</i> Speedboat	Wildlife	Lobster seeds	150,000/ UNK	Without valid documents. Found in 30 Styrofoam boxes. Suspect escaped. Boat seized.	Indonesia authorities
4.	24 Apr 24	Thailand/ Gulf of Thailand	At Bangkok	UNK	Drugs	Ketamine	320 kg/ UNK	Hidden in a shipment of robot figurines. Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. 01 suspect apprehended.	Thailand authorities
5.	25 Apr 24	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	At Selangor	UNK	Alcohol	Liquor	24,500 L/ USD 252,960	Without valid documents. Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country by sea. 04 vehicles seized.	Malaysia authorities
6.	25 Apr 24	UAE/ Persian Gulf	At Dubai Creek	01 wooden ship	Drugs	Hashish	234.68 kg/ UNK	Concealed within the ship's wheelhouse. Ship seized.	UAE authorities
7.	28 Apr 24	Indonesia/ Banda Sea	At Yos Sudarso Port, Ambon	01 passenger vessel	Wildlife	Birds	07/ UNK	Protected species. Without valid documents.	Indonesia authorities
8.	28 Apr 24	Oman/ Persian Gulf	Off Musandam	09 boats	Alcohol	Liquor	UNK/ UNK	20 suspects apprehended. Boats seized.	Oman authorities
9.	30 Apr 24	Indonesia/ South China Sea	At Werangnge Port Pier, Barru	01 wooden boat	Drugs	Methamphetamine	30 kg/ USD 1,175,910	Wrapped in Chinese tea bags. 01 suspect apprehended. Boat seized.	Indonesia authorities



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10.	30 Apr 24	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	At Mohoththuwaram, Kalpitiya	02 dinghies	Natural resources	Kendu leaves	1,229 kg/ UNK	Found in 39 sacks on a beach.	Sri Lanka authorities
11.	01 May 24	Indonesia/ Banda Sea	At Ahmad Yani Port	<i>PERMATA OBI</i> Passenger ship Flag - Indonesia MMSI: 525700024	Alcohol	Liquor	412 bottles/ UNK	Without valid documents. 01 suspect apprehended.	Indonesia authorities
12.	01 May 24	Thailand/ Gulf of Thailand	In Chumpton Province	UNK	Wildlife	Lemurs and tortoises	48 and 1,076/ UNK	Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country by sea. 06 suspects apprehended. 04 vehicles seized.	Thailand authorities
13.	01 May 24	Malaysia/ South China Sea	Off Indertsabah	01 local cargo boat	Natural resources	Palm fruit	UNK	Without valid documents. 01 suspect apprehended. Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities
14.	01 May 24	Myanmar/ Andaman Sea	At Asia World Port Terminal, Yangon	UNK	Domestic products	Assorted goods	UNK/ USD 149,018	Found inside 08 containers. Without valid documents.	Myanmar authorities
15.	02 May 24	Indonesia/ South China Sea	At Rimau Island, Banyausin Regency	01 speed boat	Wildlife	Lobster seeds	199,296/ USD 935,984	Found in 18 boxes. 04 suspects apprehended. Boat and vehicle seized.	Indonesia authorities
16.	02 May 24	Pakistan/ Arabian Sea	At Karachi Port	UNK	Drugs	Methamphetamine	224 kg/ UNK	Found in 05 containers labelled as soapstone. Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. 03 suspects apprehended.	Pakistan Authorities
17.	03 May 24	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	At Jalan Old Ferry, Sibul	01 barge	Alcohol	Liquor	22,000 cartons/ USD 2,389,027	Found inside 10 containers. Without valid documents. 04 (01 foreign) suspects apprehended. 01 barge, 02 lorries and 10 trailers.	Malaysia authorities
18.	04 May 24	Indonesia/ Java Sea	At Bakauheni Port, Lampung	UNK	Wildlife	Protected birds	2,540/ UNK	Without valid documents. 01 vehicle seized.	Indonesia authorities



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19.	04 May 24	Malaysia/ Sulu Sea	Off Kukuban Island	01 motorboat	Others	Controlled goods	UNK/ USD 12,654	02 foreign suspects apprehended. Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities
20.	04 May 24	Malaysia/ South China Sea	4.2 nm of Sematan, Kuching	01 cargo vessel Flag - Indonesia	Domestic products	Sugar and rice	UNK/ USD 63,300	03 foreign suspects apprehended. Vessel seized.	Malaysia authorities
21.	04 May 24	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	At Uchchamunai, Kalpitiya	02 dinghies	Natural resources	Kendu leaves	120 kg/ UNK	Found in 04 sacks on beach.	Sri Lanka authorities
22.	05 May 24	India/ Palk Strait	At Vedalai, Tamil Nadu	UNK	Wildlife	Sea cucumber	97 kg/ UNK	Recovered ashore.	India authorities
23.	06 May 24	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	Off Muara Sg Aji Kuning	01 passenger boat	Domestic products	Carrots	100 boxes/ UNK	Without valid documents. 01 suspect apprehended. Boat seized.	Malaysia authorities



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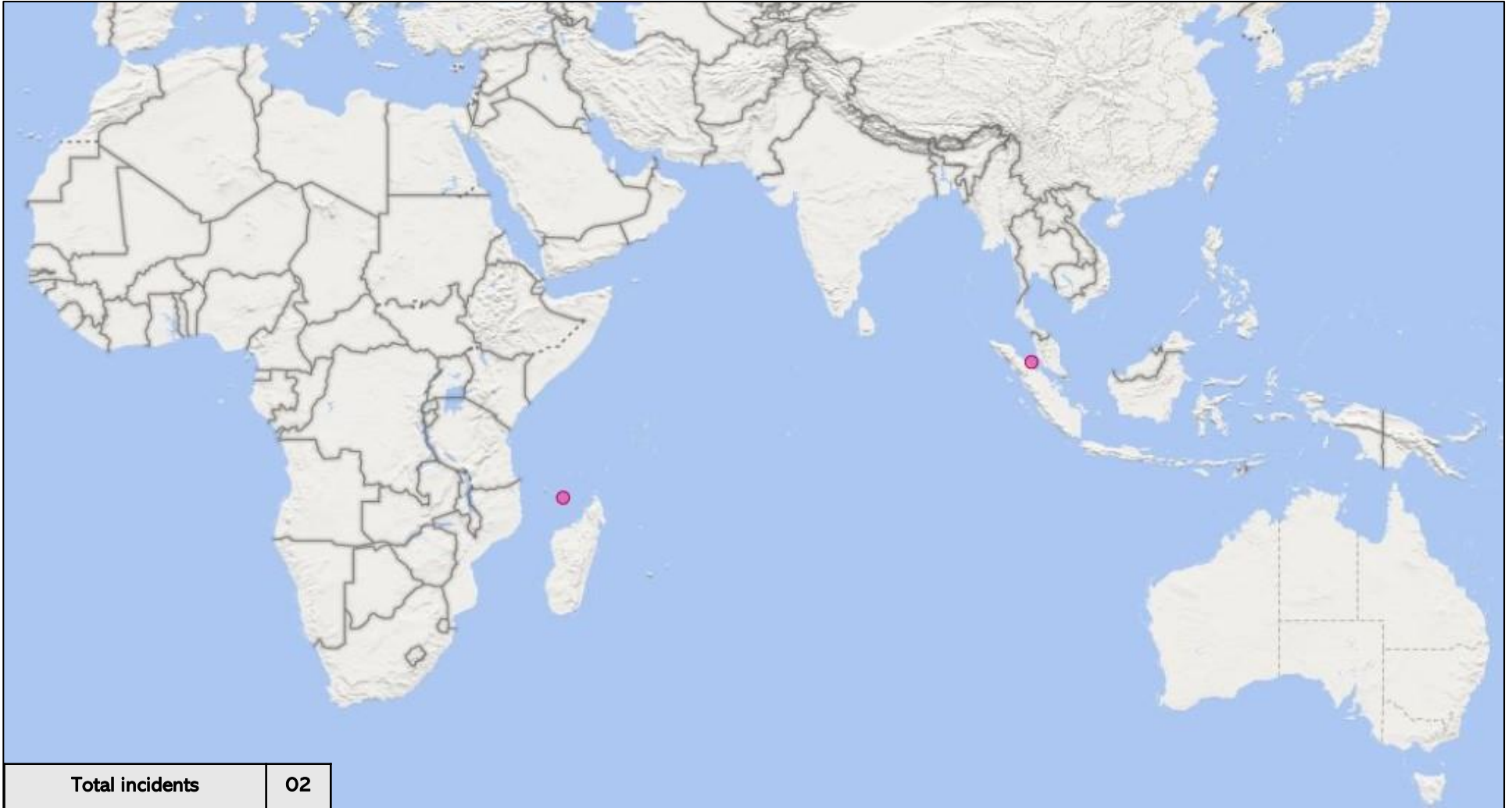
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1.	29 Apr 24	Local	Sri Lanka/ Gulf of Mannar	Off Vankalei	UNK	Illegal fishing	135 sea cucumbers and diving gear/ UNK	02 apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
2.	30 Apr 24	Local	Sri Lanka/ Palk Bay	Off Pallimunai	05 fishing trawlers	Illegal fishing	Trawlers and 642 sea cucumbers/ UNK	11 apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
3.	01 May 24	Local	Malaysia/ South China Sea	Off Indertsabah	01 fishing boat	Illegal fishing (without valid documents)	Boat/ UNK	02 foreign fishermen apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
4.	01 May 24	Local	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Vung Tau	03 fishing vessels Reg. Nos. KG 96090 TS, KG 96088 TS and KG 91868 TS	Illegal fishing (without valid documents)	Vessels and fishing paraphernalia/ UNK	UNK	Vietnam authorities
5.	03 May 24	Local	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	Off Chalai, Jaffna	03 dinghies	Illegal fishing (light-coarse fishing)	Dinghies, fishing paraphernalia/ UNK	06 apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
6.	05 May 24	Poaching	Indonesia/ Malacca Strait	Off Belawan, North Sumatra	01 foreign fishing boat	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Boat, 3,000 kg of fish and fishing paraphernalia/ UNK	05 foreign fishermen apprehended.	Indonesia authorities
7.	05 May 24	Poaching	Indonesia/ South China Sea	Off Riau Islands	02 foreign fishing boats Reg. Nos. BV 4417 TS and BV 1182 TS	Illegal fishing in country's waters	Boats and 15,000 kg of fish/ UNK	20 foreign fishermen apprehended.	Indonesia authorities
8.	06 May 24	Local	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	2.1 nm W of Pantai Remis, Perak	UNK	Illegal fishing	20 sets of dragon bubu/ USD 421	UNK.	Malaysia authorities
9.	06 May 24	Local	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	1.17 nm NE of Sidam Island	01 fishing boat	Illegal fishing (without valid documents)	Boat/ UNK	01 apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
10.	06 May 24	Poaching	Thailand/ Gulf of Thailand	Off Prachuap Khiri Khan	05 foreign fishing boats	Illegal fishing in country's waters	05 boats and 600 kg of fish/ UNK	23 foreign fishermen apprehended.	Thailand authorities



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1.	28 Apr - 04 May 24	Mayotte/ Indian Ocean	Comoros/ Mayotte	Off Mayotte	03 boats (kwassa-kwassa)	23 apprehended	Migrants were attempting to enter the country illegally. 02 suspected smugglers apprehended. Boats seized.	France authorities
2.	07 May 24	Indonesia/ Malacca Strait	Indonesia/ Malaysia	Off Tanjung Balai Asahan	<i>KM Nadin</i> Boat	04 apprehended	Migrants were suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country by sea. 02 suspected smugglers apprehended. Boat seized.	Indonesia authorities



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Sub_Category ● Capsize ● Fire ● Flooding ● Grounding ● Man Overboard ● Mechanical Failure ● MEDEVAC ● Missing ● Others ● Sunk ● Vessel Detained



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1.	29 Apr - 01 May 24	Vessel detained	Indonesia/ South China Sea	Off Sukadamai, South Bangka Regency	04 pontoons	Detained	Illegal sand mining. 02 suspects apprehended. Pontoons seized.	Indonesia authorities
2.	30 Apr 24	Man overboard	Malaysia/ Singapore Strait	Singapore Strait	<i>MV NAPOLEON</i> Fishing boat	Underway	01 missing fisherman rescued on 01 May 24.	Malaysia authorities and a boat in the vicinity
3.	30 Apr 24	Sunk	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Cave Point	<i>ALBACORE</i> Fishing vessel	Sank	Sank while being towed by the fishing vessel <i>FV SEA TIGER</i> . All fishermen safe.	Mauritius authorities
4.	01 May 24	MEDEVAC	Philippines/ South China Sea	Off Poro Point, La Union	<i>POLARIS KING</i> Tug Flag - Sierra Leone IMO: 8921080 MMSI: 667001752	Underway	01 Philippines crew member evacuated (appendicitis).	Philippines authorities
5.	01 May 24	MEDEVAC	India/ Arabian Sea	70 nm S of Veraval, Gujarat	<i>IFB FRANCIS II</i> Fishing boat	Underway	01 fisherman evacuated (head injury).	<i>ICGS C-153</i>
6.	01 May 24	Vessel detained	India/ Arabian Sea	At Mumbai, Maharashtra	<i>TRANSFORMER OL</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Panama IMO: 9550216 MMSI: 372789000	Detained	Vessel failed to comply with the requirements of international maritime conventions.	India authorities
7.	02 May 24	Vessel detained	Indonesia/ Java Sea	At Tanjung Priok	<i>VIRGO CONFIDENCE</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Marshal Islands IMO: 9713715 MMSI: 538008171	Detained	Vessel failed to comply with the requirements of international maritime conventions.	Indonesia authorities
8.	02 May 24	Fire	Indonesia/ Java Sea	Off Penga Labuan Bajo Island	<i>SEA SAFARI VII</i> Yacht	UNK	All 33 persons rescued.	Indonesia authorities
9.	02 May 24	MEDEVAC	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Sa Ky Port	01 fishing boat Reg. No. QNg 97082 TS	Underway	01 fisherman evacuated (head injury).	Vietnam authorities



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10.	02 May 24	Others	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Flat Island	01 pleasure craft Reg. No. PPC 8585 OL 08	Towed ashore	Unmanned pleasure craft found adrift at sea.	Mauritius authorities
11.	03 May 24	Grounding	Indonesia/ Singapore Strait	Off Nipah Island	<i>APHRODITE</i> Yacht Flag - United Kingdom	Underway	Heavy weather. All 03 crew members safe.	Indonesia authorities
12.	03 May 24	Mechanical failure	Philippines/ South China Sea	Off Maribacan, Batangas	<i>JCPI SOFIA</i> Tugboat	Towed ashore	Engine failure. All 03 crew members rescued.	Philippines authorities
13.	03 May 24	Grounding	Philippines/ Philippine Sea	Off Barangay Lavigan	<i>MV BELLATRIX</i> Bulk carrier Flag - Liberia IMO: 9304071 MMSI: 636017947	Refloated on 06 May 24	Drifted into shallow waters while maneuvering. All 22 crew members safe. No oil spill reported.	Philippines authorities
14.	03 May 24	Vessel detained	Philippines/ Sulu Sea	Off Bohol	<i>OHSU MARU</i> Cargo Flag - Liberia IMO: 9568237 MMSI: 548000921	Detained	Failed to file notice of arrival.	Philippines authorities
15.	03 May 24	Sunk	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Quang Binh	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. QB 98768 TS	Sank	Heavy weather. All 05 fishermen rescued.	Vietnam authorities and a fishing vessel in vicinity
16.	03 May 24	Sunk	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Quang Binh	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. QB 93712 TS	Sank	Heavy weather. All 07 fishermen rescued.	Vietnam authorities and a fishing vessel in vicinity
17.	03 May 24	Missing	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Quang Binh	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. QB 98614 TS	UNK	05 fishermen missing. Heavy weather.	Vietnam authorities
18.	03 May 24	Capsize	Vietnam/ South China Sea	05 nm off Quynh Phuong	01 fishing boat	Sank	Heavy weather. 01 fisherman rescued. 02 missing.	Vietnam authorities
19.	03 May 24	Sunk	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off La Gaulette	01 Pleasure craft Reg. No. PPC 6941 OL 11	Sank	Heavy weather. Unmanned pleasure craft.	Mauritius authorities
20.	04 May 24	Fire	Indonesia/ Java Sea	At Banten	<i>GEBANG</i> Tanker Flag - Indonesia IMO: 8413502 MMSI: 525008039	Damaged	Fire due to hot work. Fire extinguished. 03 persons sustained minor burn injury.	Indonesia authorities



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21.	04 May 24	Capsize	Thailand/ Malacca Strait	Off Sikao	01 boat	Capsized	Heavy weather. All 14 persons rescued.	Thailand authorities
22.	04 May 24	Grounding	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Tien Sa	01 fishing boat Reg. No. DNa 90400 TS	Aground	Heavy weather. Engine failure. Both fishermen rescued.	Vietnam authorities
23.	04 May 24	Others	India/ Arabian Sea	Arabian Sea	01 fishing vessel Flag - Iran	Underway	Medical assistance provided to a Pakistan fisherman.	<i>INS SUMEDHA</i>
24.	04 May 24	Grounding	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	03°35'31.2"N 073°27'34.2"E	<i>ROASHANEE</i> Passenger vessel	UNK	All 16 persons safe.	Maldives authorities
25.	05 May 24	Flooding	Indonesia/ Java Sea	Off Tanjung Puting, Central Kalimantan	<i>KM MITRA BAHARI IX</i> Cargo vessel Flag - Indonesia IMO: 7207138 MMSI: 525015345	Sank	Water ingress. Loaded with 1,950 tons of fertilizer. All 16 crew members rescued.	Indonesia authorities and vessel <i>KM MITRA BAHARI</i>
26.	05 May 24	MEDEVAC	Malaysia/ South China Sea	Off Kota Belud	01 ship	UNK	01 crew member evacuated (fall injury).	Malaysia authorities
27.	05 May 24	Vessel detained	Philippines/ South China Sea	At North Harbour Manila	<i>VIVALDI</i> Container ship Flag - Liberia IMO: 9429326 MMSI: 636019606	Detained	Vessel failed to comply with the requirements of international maritime conventions.	Philippines authorities
28.	05 May 24	Vessel detained	India/ Arabian Sea	Off Kozhikode, Kerala	01 foreign fishing boat Flag - Iran	Detained	06 fishermen rescued. Fishermen escaped from Iran to India using the fishing boat due to poor working conditions.	India authorities
29.	07 May 24	MEDEVAC	India/ Arabian Sea	40 nm off Beypore, Kerala	<i>IFB JAZEERA</i> Fishing boat	Underway	01 fisherman evacuated.	Indian Coast Guard



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1.	06 May 24 1102 - 1148 LT	Yemen/ Gulf of Aden	In Gulf of Aden	NA	03 Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) launched. 01 UAV shot down by the Coalition Ship <i>ITS FASAN</i> of Operation Aspides. 01 UAV shot down by the US Navy ship of USCENTCOM. 01 crashed in the Gulf of Aden.	NA	NA	US authorities and Operation Aspides
2.	07 May 24 0505 LT	Yemen/ Gulf of Aden	82 nm S of Aden	<i>MSC GINA</i> Cargo vessel Flag - Panama IMO: 9202663 MMSI: 357542000	02 explosions reported in close proximity of the vessel.	Safe	Underway	UNK

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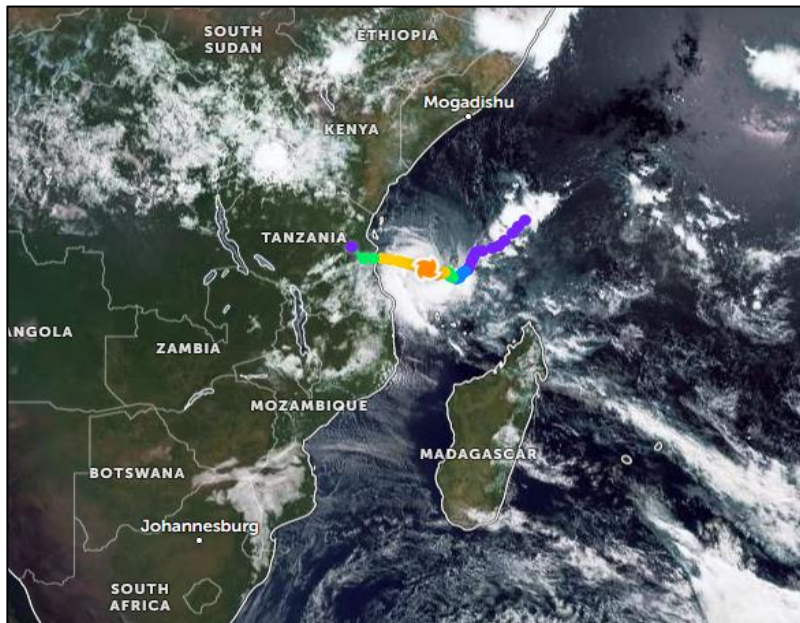
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3.	26 Apr 24 1800 LT and 2020 LT	Yemen/ Red Sea	14 nm SW of Al Mukha	<i>ANDROMEDA STAR</i> Tanker Flag - Panama IMO: 9402471 MMSI: 352003308	The tanker with 30 crew members was targeted by four missiles in two attacks. The first and second missiles missed the vessel. The third and fourth missiles exploded in close proximity of the vessel and caused superficial fragmentation.	Safe	Underway	Indian Navy Ship <i>INS KOCHI</i>



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Tropical Cyclone 'HIDAYA' in South West Indian Ocean

Tropical storm '*HIDAYA*' formed on 01 May 24 over the Central Indian Ocean and moved westward toward eastern Tanzania. By 01 May 24, at 0:00 (UTC), it centered approximately 500 km southeast of Dar es Salaam, with winds of 137 km/h.

According to the Tanzania Meteorological Authority, Tropical Cyclone '*HIDAYA*' lost its strength after making landfall at Mafia Island on Saturday, 04 May 24. The remnants of its rain clouds weakened and dispersed across different areas of the southern region of Tanzania.



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Indian Ocean Headed for a near-permanent State of Marine Heatwave

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