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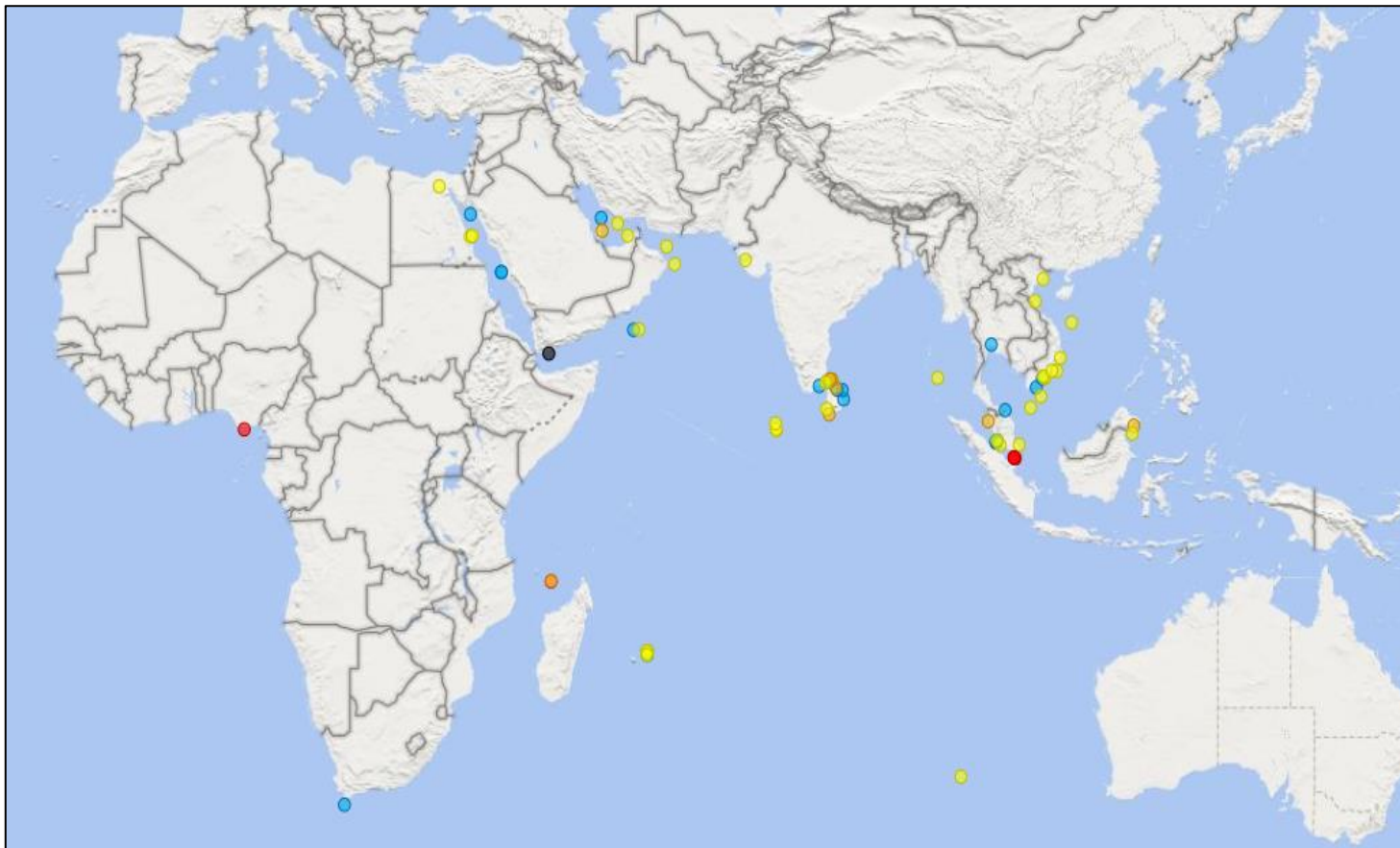
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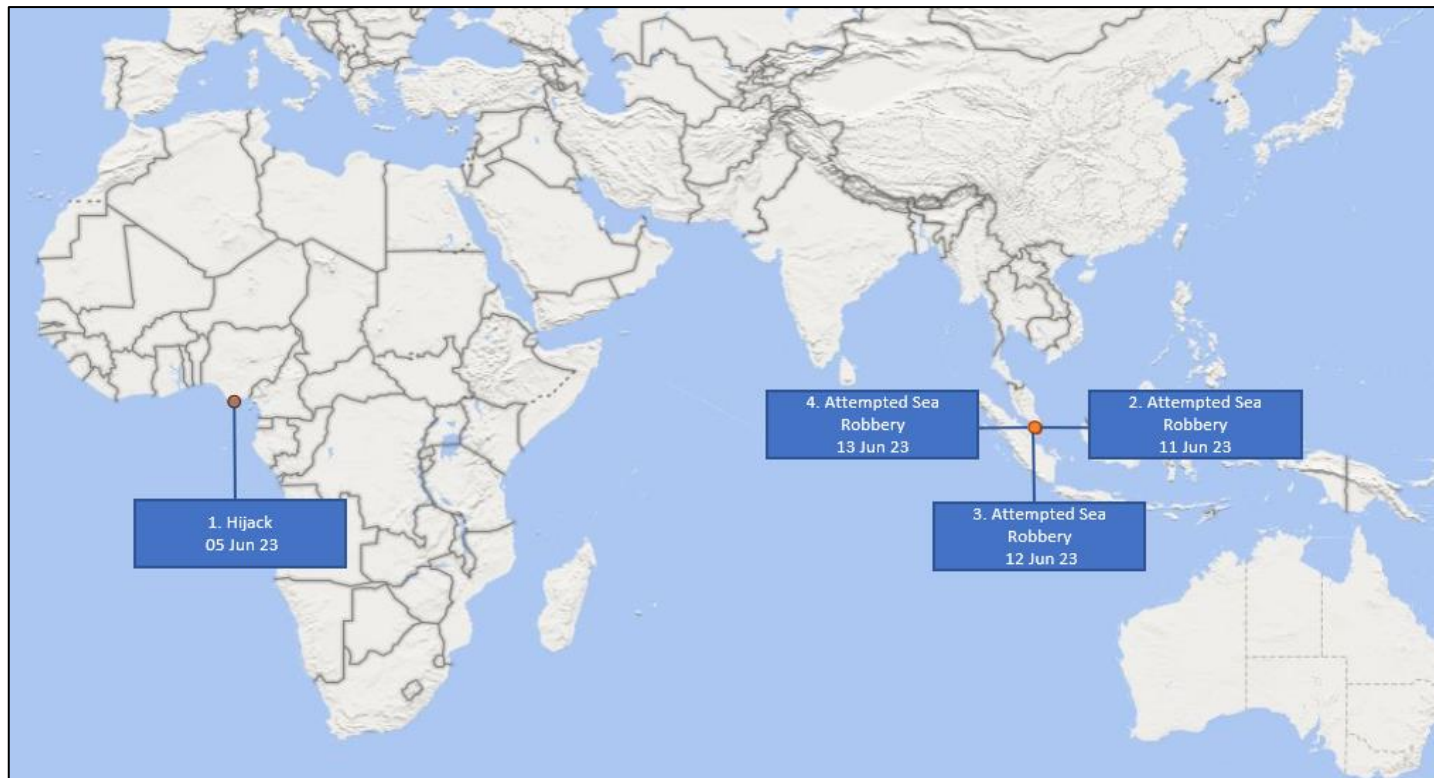
Category	No
Piracy & Armed Robbery	04
Contraband Smuggling	20
IUU Fishing	09
Irregular Human Migration	01
Maritime Incidents	33
Maritime Security Threats (Hybrid)	Nil
Cyber Security Threats	Nil
Marine Environment Pollution	Nil
Climate Change & Security	Nil
Others	01
Total incidents	68
Cyclone(s)	Nil



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● Attack	Nil
● Kidnap	Nil
● Hijack	01
● Hijack & Kidnap	Nil
● Sea Robbery	Nil
● Sea Theft	Nil
● Illegal Boarding	Nil
● Attempted Sea Robbery	03
● Attempted Sea Theft	Nil
● Attempted Boarding	Nil
● Suspicious Approach	Nil
Total incidents	04



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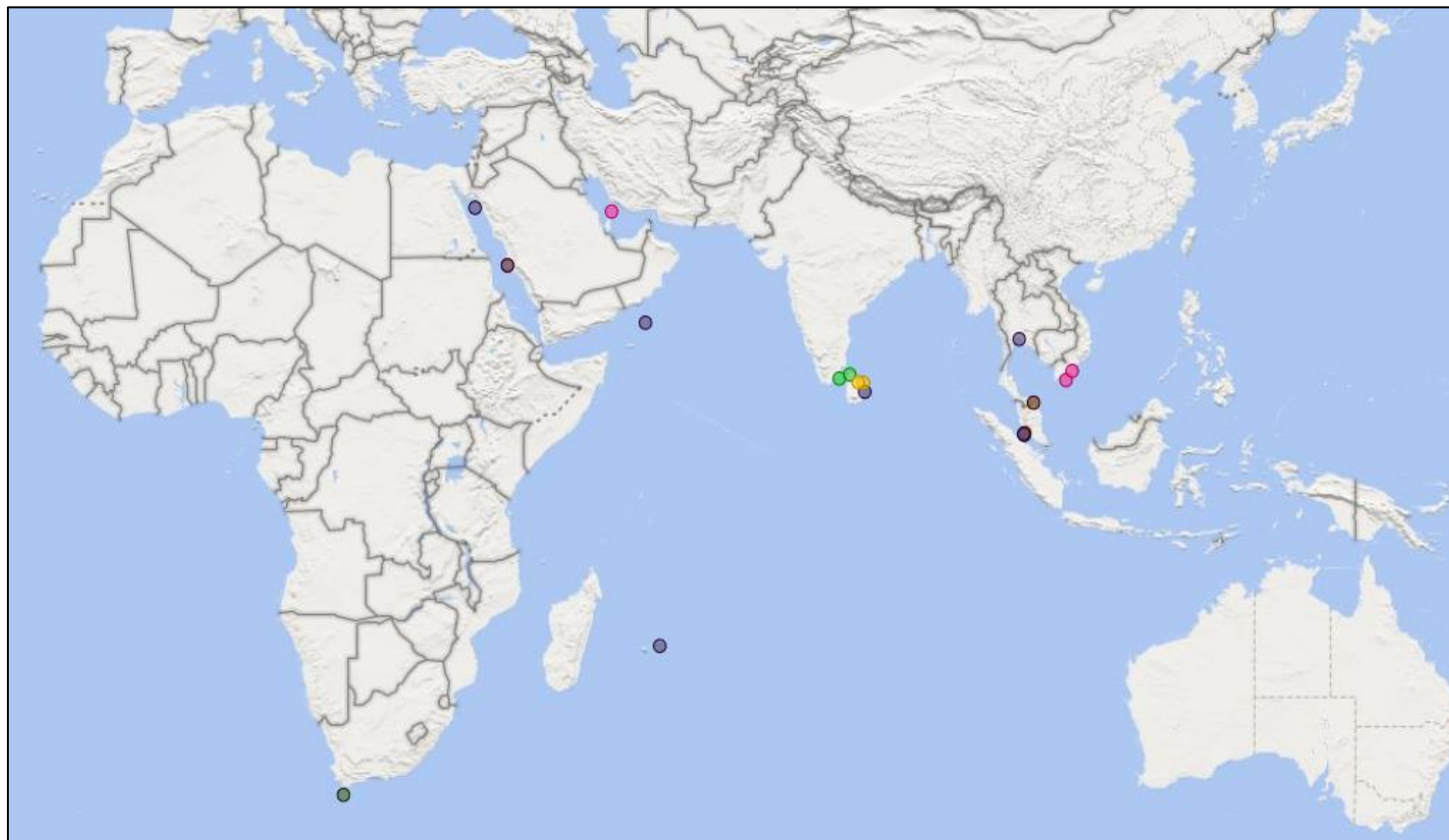
Sr	Date/ Time	Sub Category	Country/ Region	Location Lat/Long	Vessel Details	Incident Details	Crew Status	Vessel/ Post Incident Status	Responder(s)
1.	05 Jun 23	Hijack	Nigeria/ Gulf of Guinea	Off Akukutoru Lga, Nigeria	02 passengers boats	An unknown number of perpetrators hijacked two passengers boats carrying 24 persons (12 each) while underway. The passengers jumped overboard to avoid being kidnapped.	01 female passenger dead.	UNK	Nigeria authorities
2.	11 Jun 23 0135 LT	Attempted sea robbery	Singapore/ Singapore Strait	01° 08' N 103° 28' E Precautionary area of the TSS	<i>CL CENTURY</i> Bulk carrier Flag- Belgium IMO: 9715816 MMSI: 205790000	Four perpetrators armed with knives were sighted in the steering-gear room while underway. Nothing stolen.	All crew members safe	Underway and safe	Singapore authorities
3.	12 Jun 23 0130 LT	Attempted sea robbery	Singapore/ Malacca Strait	01° 11' N 103° 24' E In the Eastbound lane of TSS	<i>ARIANA</i> Bulk carrier Flag- Marshall Islands IMO: 9316048 MMSI: 538006857	One perpetrator armed with shovel like weapon was sighted in the steering-gear room while underway. Nothing stolen.	All crew members safe	Underway and safe	Singapore authorities
4.	13 Jun 23 0304 LT	Attempted sea robbery	Singapore/ Singapore Straits	01° 05' N 103° 35' E in the Eastbound lane of the TSS	<i>PANTAGRUEL</i> Bulk carrier Flag- Liberia IMO: 9274903 MMSI: 636019702	Three perpetrators armed with knives were sighted in the engine room while underway. Nothing stolen.	All crew members safe	Anchored	UNK



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Alcohol	Nil
Domestic Products	03
Drugs	08
Fuel	03
Natural Resources	02
Tobacco	01
Weapons	02
Wildlife	01
Others	Nil
Total incidents	20



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1.	02 Jun 23	South Africa/ Indian Ocean	In Voelklip, Hermanus	NA	Wildlife	Abalone	4,108 units/ USD 105,866	Abalone were seized from a vehicle. Suspects escaped.	South Africa authorities
2.	04 Jun 23	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	At Port Klang	UNK	Drugs	Ketamine (general anaesthetic)	25.3 kg/ USD 329,040	25 packets found in a container. Mis-declared as frozen seafood. 02 suspects apprehended.	Malaysia authorities
3.	05 Jun 23	India/ Gulf of Mannar	Off Nallathanni, Tamil Nadu	01 local boat (piper boat)	Natural resources	Gold	2.5 kg/ USD 175,849	03 smugglers abandoned the boat and escaped. Boat seized.	India authorities
4.	05 Jun 23	Iran/ Persian Gulf	In Persian Gulf	UNK	Fuel	Diesel	360,000 L/ USD 197,000	Found in 04 containers. Suspects escaped.	Iran authorities
5.	06 Jun 23	Saudi Arabia/ Red Sea	At Duba Port	NA	Drugs	Narcotic tablets	93,750 pills	Contraband concealed in a vehicle (truck).	Saudi Arabia authorities
6.	06 Jun 23	Saudi Arabia/ Red Sea	At Jeddah Port	NA	Drugs	Narcotic tablets	356,559 pills	Contraband concealed in a consignment of domestic products.	Saudi Arabia authorities
7.	06 Jun 23	Oman/ Arabian Sea	Off Dhofar	01 boat	Drugs	Khat	UNK	03 suspects apprehended.	Oman authorities
8.	06 Jun 23	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	In China Bay, Trincomalee	NA	Weapons (explosives)	Gelignite sticks (a type of commercial explosive) and non-electric detonators	95 sticks/ UNK	Suspected to be used for illegal fishing (blast fishing). 01 suspect apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
9.	06 Jun 23	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	At Port Klang	NA	Drugs	Cocaine	302.2 kg / USD 13,072,184	Found in 10 sacks inside a container. Mis-declared as soybeans.	Malaysia authorities



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10.	07 Jun 23	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Vinh Chau	01 vessel Reg. No. TG 93627 TS	Fuel	Diesel	170,000 L	Without valid documents. 05 suspects apprehended. Vessel seized.	Vietnam authorities
11.	07 Jun 23	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	At Baie du Cap	NA	Drugs	Cannabis (zamal)	5.35 kg/ USD 220,674	Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country via sea route. Found in 02 bags. 01 suspect apprehended. 01 vehicle seized.	Mauritius authorities
12.	08 Jun 23	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	Off Mamunai	UNK	Drugs	Cannabis	128.10 kg/ USD 142, 152	Found adrift. Found in 04 sacks, stuffed in 53 packets.	Sri Lanka Authorities
13.	09 Jun 23	Thailand/ Gulf of Thailand	At Bangkok Port	UNK	Drugs	Heroin	32 kg/ USD 5,767,012	Suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country. Found in small plastic sachets inside pain-relief packages.	Thailand authorities
14.	09 Jun 23	Malaysia/ South China Sea	At Tumpat fishing jetty	UNK	Tobacco	Cigarettes	UNK/ USD 358,380	Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country. Found in boxes. 01 lorry seized. 01 suspect escaped.	Malaysia authorities
15.	10 Jun 23	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	At Palavi	UNK	Natural resources	Kendu leaves	1,091 kg	Suspected to be smuggled from a foreign country via sea route. 03 suspects apprehended. 01 lorry seized.	Sri Lanka authorities
16.	10 Jun 23	Vietnam/ South China Sea	6 nm SE of Gui Tang	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. KG 94931 TS	Fuel	Diesel	45,000 L	Without valid documents. 04 suspects apprehended. 01 vessel seized.	Vietnam authorities



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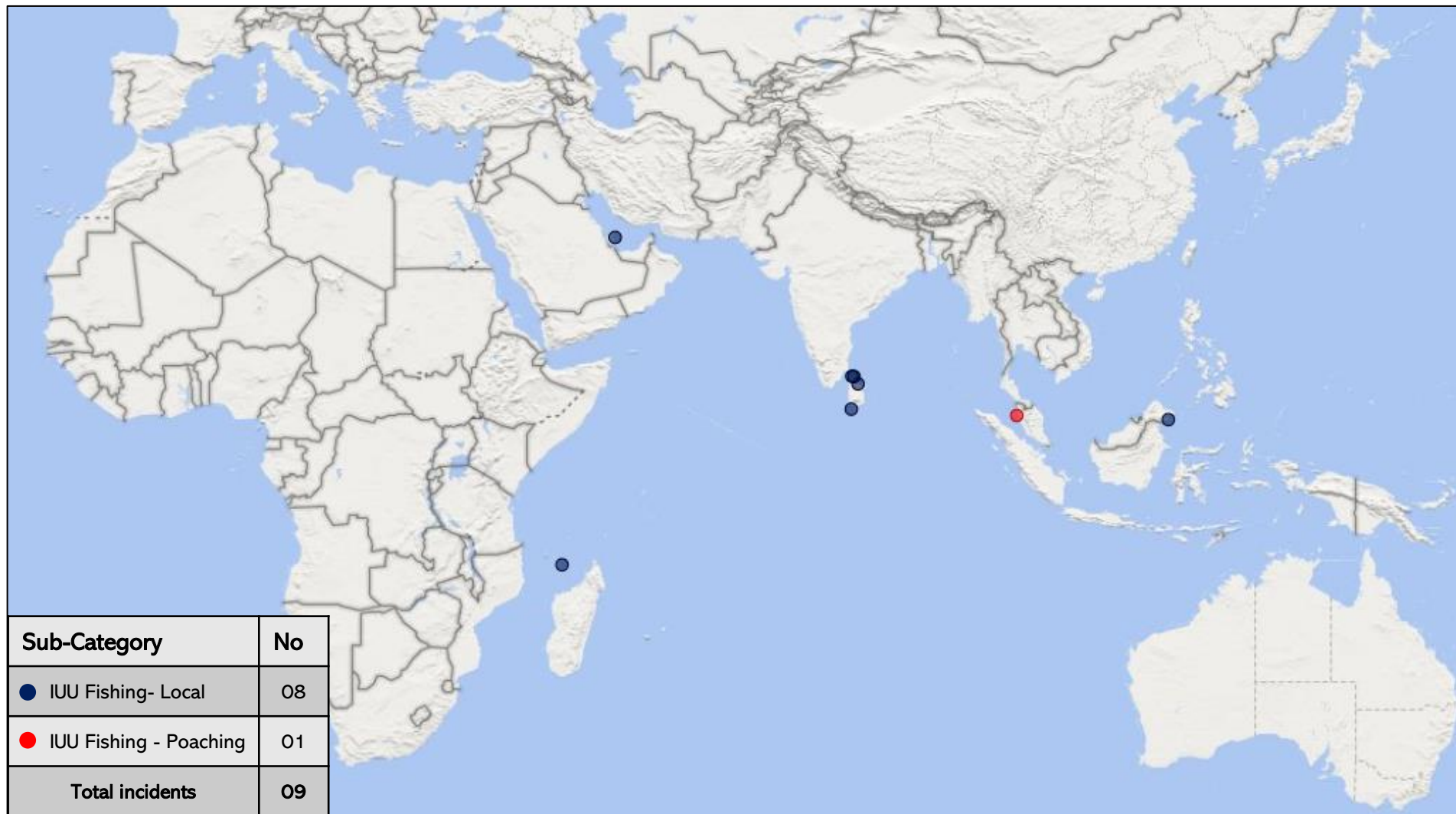
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17.	10 Jun 23	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	At West Port	UNK	Domestic products	Kasturi limes (calamansi)	3.36 tons/ USD 762	Without valid documents. Believed to be smuggled from a foreign country.	Malaysia authorities
18.	12 Jun 23	Malaysia/ Johor Strait	At Pasir Gudang Port	UNK	Domestic products	Meat (buffalo)	740 kg/ USD 2,530	Without valid documents. Found in 37 boxes inside a container. Believed to be smuggled from a foreign country.	Malaysia authorities
19.	12 Jun 23	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	In Erakkandi, Trincomalee	NA	Weapons (explosives)	Water gel sticks (a type of commercial explosive)	45 sticks	Suspected to be used for illegal fishing (blast fishing). 01 suspect apprehended.	Sri Lanka authorities
20.	12 Jun 23	Saudi Arabia/ Red Sea	At Jeddah Port	UNK	Domestic products	Controlled drugs	480,000 pills	Found in a shipment of fabrics. 02 suspects apprehended.	Saudi Arabia authorities



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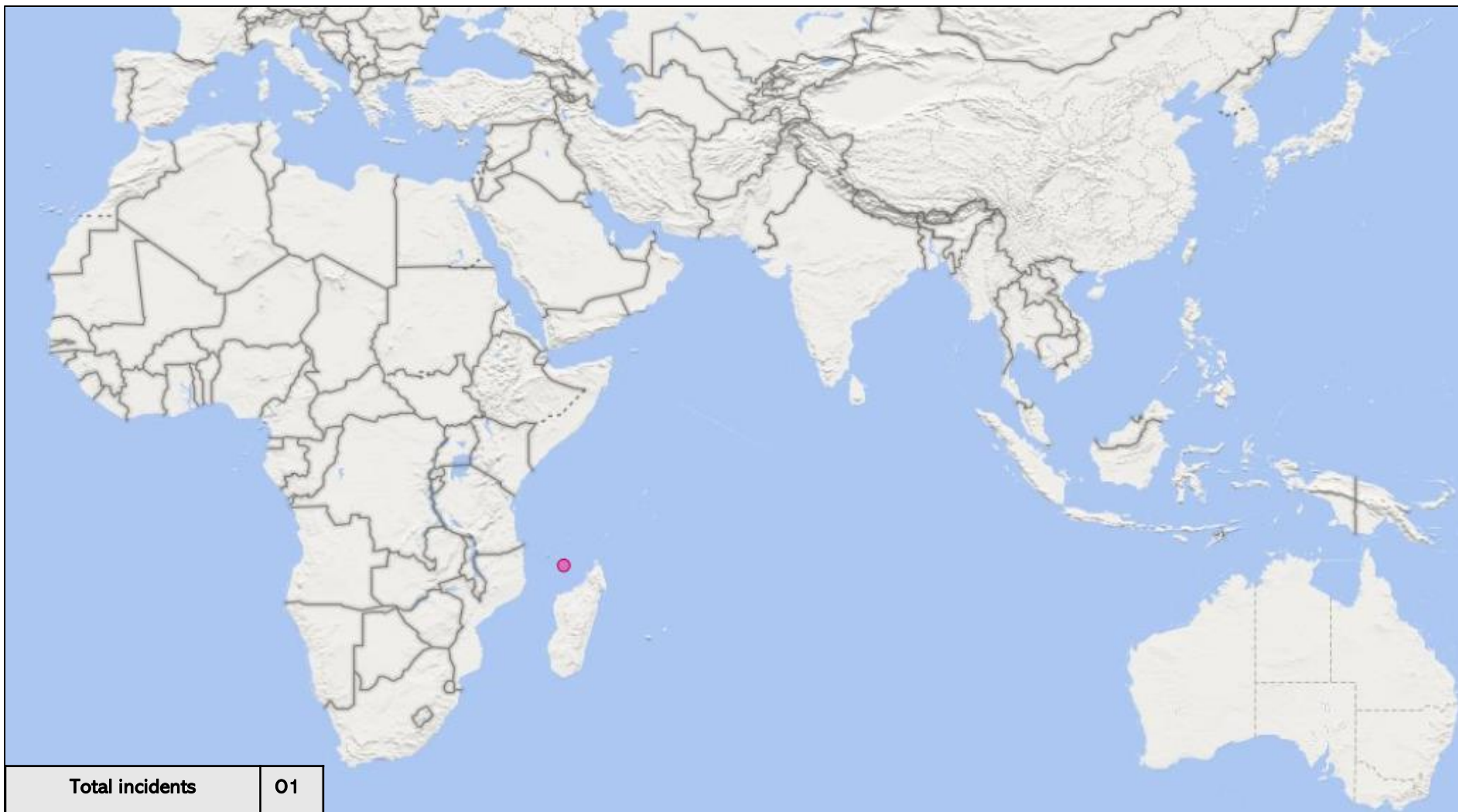
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1.	05 Jun 23	Local	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	1.3 nm SW of Pulau Daya	01 fishing boat	Fishing without valid documents	Fishing boat and 200 kg of fish	03 (01 foreigner) apprehended	Malaysia authorities
2.	06 Jun 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Palk Bay	Off Point Pedro, Jaffna	01 dinghy	Illegal fishing (diving without valid license)	Dinghy, diving and fishing gear	07 apprehended	Sri Lanka authorities
3.	06 Jun 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	At Galle Fishery Harbour	01 local fishing boat	Possessing of illegally harvested dried shark fins	0.6 kg of dried shark fins (56 fins)	07 apprehended	Sri Lanka authorities
4.	06 Jun 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	Off Veththalakerni, Kadaikadu, Mamunei and Kudarappu	06 dinghies	Illegal fishing (sea cucumbers)	06 dinghies, 669 sea cucumbers, diving and fishing equipment	18 apprehended	Sri Lanka authorities
5.	06 Jun 23	Local	Sri Lanka/ Bay of Bengal	At Yan Oya, Pulmoddai	NA	Illegal fishing (blast fishing)	03 water gel sticks (a type of commercial explosive) and 05 non-electric detonators	NA	Sri Lanka authorities
6.	06 Jun 23	Local	Mayotte/ Indian Ocean	Off Mayotte	24 boats (kwassa-kwassa)	Illegal fishing	Boats seized	09 foreign fishermen apprehended	France authorities
7.	09 Jun 23	Local	Qatar/ Persian Gulf	At Al Khor Port	01 fishing boat	Illegal fishing	Fishing nets	UNK	Qatar authorities
8.	11 Jun 23	Local	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	02 nm off Pulau Tabawan, Kunak	01 pump boat	Illegal fishing (explosives)	Boat, fishing paraphernalia and 02 bottles of fish bombs	02 apprehended	Malaysia authorities
9.	11 Jun 23	Poaching	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	30 nm SW of Kendi Island	02 foreign fishing vessels	Illegal fishing	02 foreign fishing vessels and 500 kg of fish	08 foreign fishermen apprehended.	Malaysia authorities



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1.	04 - 11 Jun 23	Mayotte/ Indian Ocean	Comoros/ Mayotte	Off Mayotte	14 boats (kwassa-kwassa)	195 apprehended	09 suspected smugglers apprehended. 14 boats seized.	France authorities

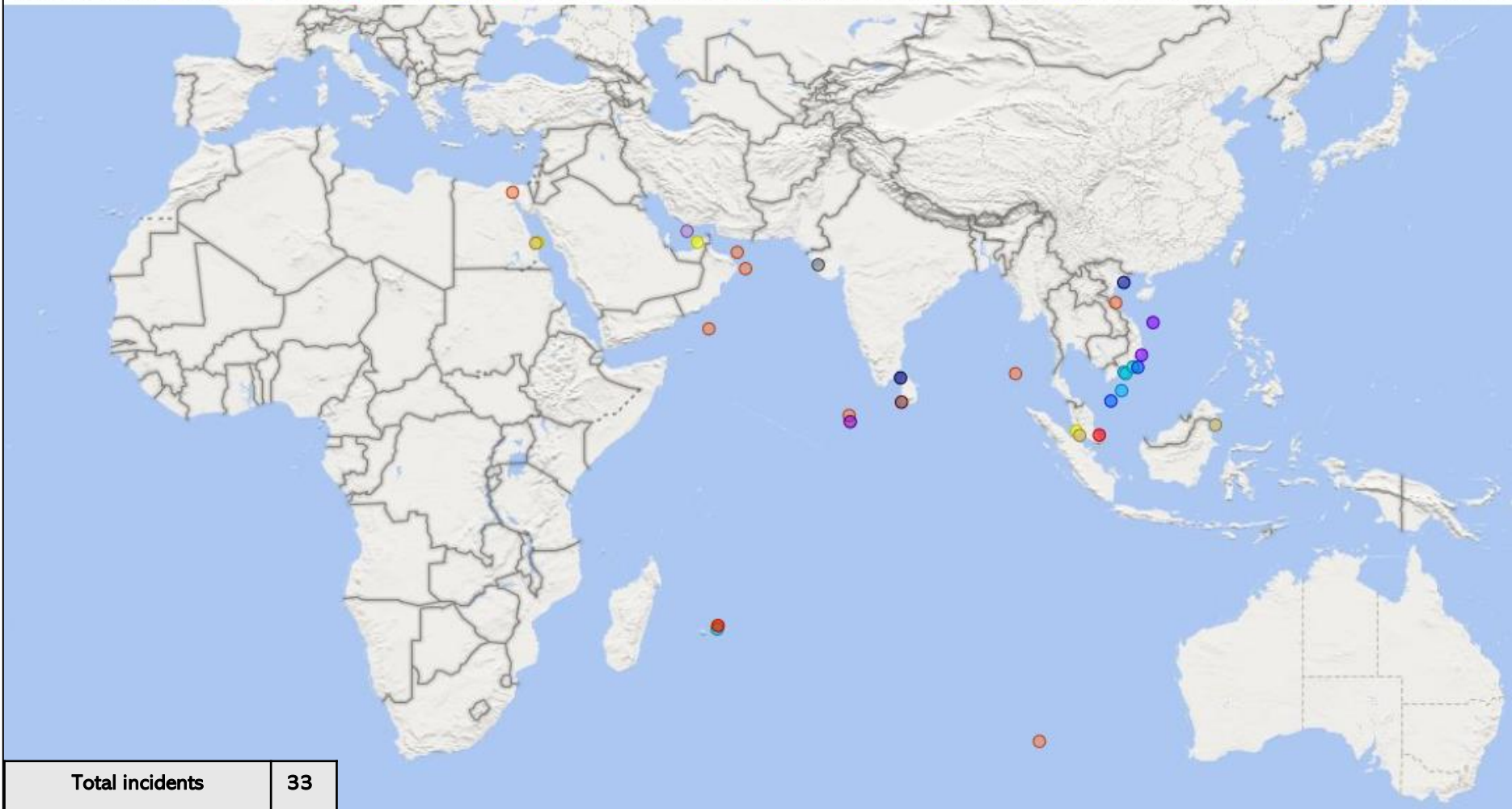


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Sub-Category ● Aground ● Capsize ● Collision ● Fire ● Flooding ● Man Overboard ● Mechanical Failure ● MEDEVAC ● Missing ● Others ● SAR ● Sunk ● Vessel Detained



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1.	05 Jun 23	MEDEVAC	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Nha Trang	TAMPA Bulk carrier Flag - Liberia IMO: 9363027 MMSI: 636022375	Underway	01 crew member (Greek national) evacuated. Suffering from high fever.	Vietnam authorities
2.	06 Jun 23	Fire	UAE/ Persian Gulf	Off Dubai	MSC RITA Container ship Flag - Panama IMO: 9289116 MMSI: 371245000	Anchored	Fire reported in engine room 01 crew member with burn injuries evacuated.	UAE authorities
3.	07 Jun 23	Aground	Sri Lanka/ Palk Bay	Off Delft Jetty	KALI AMBAL 2 Trawler	Towed ashore	Loaded with construction materials. Ran aground during low tide, which resulted in water ingress. All 38 passengers and crew members rescued.	Sri Lanka authorities
4.	07 Jun 23	Fire	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	At Hulhumale harbour	CMF-2 Local cargo vessel	Damaged	Loaded with scrap material. Fire extinguished. No casualties.	Maldives authorities
5.	07 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	In Arabian Sea	15° 21' N 056° 19' E	MV ENJOY HARMONY Bulk carrier Flag - Panama IMO: 9321926 MMSI: 354391000	Adrift	Engine failure. Defect rectified.	Ship's crew
6.	07 Jun 23	Sunk	Egypt/ Red Sea	S of Marsa Alam	NEW DREAM Speedboat	Sank	Ran aground and eventually sank. All 36 persons rescued. No marine environment pollution reported.	ENJOY Speedboat
7.	07 Jun 23	Collision	Vietnam/ South China Sea	08° 00' N 106° 49' E	01 fishing Vessel Reg. No. BÐ 30093 TS 01 cargo ship	Sank UNK	All 06 fishermen rescued.	Vietnam authorities
8.	07 Jun 23	Fire	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	At North Port, Port Klang	NA	NA	13 containers containing highly inflammable aerosol substances caught fire. No casualties.	Malaysia authorities



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9.	07 Jun 23	Vessel detained	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off Port Louis	01 pleasure craft Reg. No. PPC 7058 OI 14	Detained	Involved in illegal activities. Suspected to be carrying cannabis seeds. 02 persons onboard.	Mauritius authorities
10.	07 Jun 23	Fire	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	02 nm off Albion Lighthouse	01 pleasure craft Reg. No. PC 6008 OL 16	Berthed	Electrical fire reported. Port engine damaged. All crew members safe. Reached ashore on starboard engine.	Ship's crew
11.	08 Jun 23	Collision	Vietnam/ South China Sea	10° 14' N 107° 06' E	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. BV 97339 TS	Capsized	All 04 fishermen missing. SAR initiated.	Vietnam authorities
					01 trawler	UNK		
12.	08 Jun 23	Capsize	Sri Lanka/ Indian Ocean	Off Waskaduwa	01 fishing boat Reg. No. A 1380 KLT	Towed ashore	Engine failure and capsized. 02 fishermen survived. 01 fisherman missing. SAR initiated.	Sri Lanka authorities and locals
13.	08 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	Oman/ Arabian Sea	22 nm NE of Ras Al Hadd	<i>AI BOOM</i> Wooden vessel	Towed ashore	Foreign flagged vessel. Encountered engine failure.	Oman authorities
14.	09 Jun 23	Flooding	Vietnam/ South China Sea	Off Lach Dong Ke	01 fishing boat	Towed ashore	Heavy weather. Both fishermen rescued.	A local fishing vessel and Vietnam authorities
15.	09 Jun 23	Flooding	Vietnam/ South China Sea	06 nm SE of Phowling Quy Island	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. BT-98539	Sank	Water ingress. All 05 fishermen rescued.	Vietnam authorities and <i>XINCHANGXU</i> Vessel (China flag)
16.	09 Jun 23	Sunk	Malaysia/ Celebes Sea	Off Sebatik Island	01 boat	Sank	Collided with an unknown object. 01 person rescued (leg injury). 01 missing. SAR initiated.	Malaysia authorities
17.	09 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	Egypt/ Suez Canal	At 5 km Mark	<i>EXPLORER</i> Oil tanker Flag - Liberia IMO: 9312133 MMSI: 636021956	Towed away and anchored	Engine failure.	Suez Canal Authorities



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18.	09 Jun 23	Flooding	Mauritius/ Indian Ocean	Off La Prairie	01 pleasure craft Reg. No. PPC 5370 OL 11	Towed ashore	02 persons rescued.	Mauritius authorities
19.	09 Jun 23	SAR	Iran/ Persian Gulf	In Persian Gulf	NA	NA	02 fishermen rescued. Fishermen went missing on 06 Jun 23.	Iran authorities
20.	10 Jun 23	Vessel detained	Malaysia/ South China Sea	Off Mersing	02 fishing vessels	Detained	Anchored without valid documents. 07 fishermen onboard.	Malaysia authorities
21.	10 Jun 23	Sunk	Malaysia/ Malacca Strait	Off Bagan Lalang, Sepang	01 fishing vessel	Sank	07 fishermen survived. 01 dead.	Malaysia authorities
22.	11 Jun 23	Fire	Egypt/ Red Sea	11.5 nm N of Marsa Alam	<i>HURRICANE</i> Yacht Flag - Cayman Islands IMO: 1009948 MMSI: 319223600	Damaged	Electrical fire reported. 26 people rescued. 03 British nationals missing. SAR initiated.	Egypt authorities
23.	11 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	Gulf of Oman	In Gulf of Oman	01 fishing vessel	Underway	Engine failure. All 07 fishermen rescued.	U.S and UAE authorities
24.	11 Jun 23	MEDEVAC	Vietnam/ South China Sea	16° 05' N 110° 40' E	01 fishing vessel (Reg. No. QNg 98054 TS)	Underway	01 fisherman evacuated. Suffering an abdominal pain.	Vietnam authorities
25.	11 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	India/ Andaman Sea	Off Andaman & Nicobar Islands	<i>MV CAMPBELL BAY</i> Passenger vessel Flag - India IMO: 9309124 MMSI: 419079700	Berthed on 13 Jun 23	Encountered engine failure. All 140 passengers safe.	India authorities
26.	12 Jun 23	Others	India/ Arabian Sea	60 nm W of Mundra, Gujarat	<i>KEY SINGAPORE</i> Platform (offshore oil rig) Flag - Vanuatu IMO: 8752166 MMSI: 576672000	NA	All 50 persons airlifted. Evacuated as precautionary measure ahead of Cyclone Biparjoy.	India authorities



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27.	12 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	Vietnam/ South China Sea	60 nm off Cape Lo-Ha Tinh	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. NA 93666 TS	Adrift	Engine failure. SAR initiated.	Vietnam authorities
28.	12 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	04° 54' N 073° 17' E	<i>FALAAH</i> Cargo vessel	Underway	Ran out of fuel. All 04 crew members (01 local) and vessel safe.	Maldives authorities and local vessel
29.	12 Jun 23	Man overboard	Vietnam/ South China Sea	10° 51' N 108° 48' E	01 fishing vessel (Reg. No. BTH 99619 TS)	UNK	01 fisherman missing. SAR initiated.	Vietnam authorities
30.	12 Jun 23	Man overboard	Vietnam/ South China Sea	06° 45' N 105° 30' E	01 fishing vessel (Reg. No. CM 91055 TS)	UNK	01 fisherman missing. SAR initiated.	Vietnam authorities
31.	12 Jun 23	Mechanical failure	Indian Ocean	32° 41' S 096° 46' E	<i>ENERGY RIVER</i> Oil tanker Flag - Panama IMO: 9191761 MMSI: 352001713	Adrift	Vessels in the vicinity were requested medevac for a crew member.	Australia authorities
32.	12 Jun 23	Missing	Vietnam/ South China Sea	At Pearl fishing Port, Cat Ba district, Hai Phong	01 fishing vessel Reg. No. TTH 90316 TS	Berthed	01 fisherman missing. SAR initiated.	Vietnam authorities
33.	13 Jun 23	Medevac	Maldives/ Indian Ocean	04° 14' N 073° 37' E	<i>CL HEIDI</i> Bulk carrier Flag- Liberia IMO: 9720952 MMSI: 636022062	Underway	01 Indian crew member evacuated. Sustained back injury.	Maldives authorities



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17.	04 Jun 23	Fire	Bangladesh/ Bay of Bengal	At Darikandi Dockyard	<i>OT SHANGHAI-8</i> Oil tanker	Anchored	All 08 crew members rescued (05 seriously injured). 04 crew members lost their lives while undergoing treatments.	Bangladesh authorities

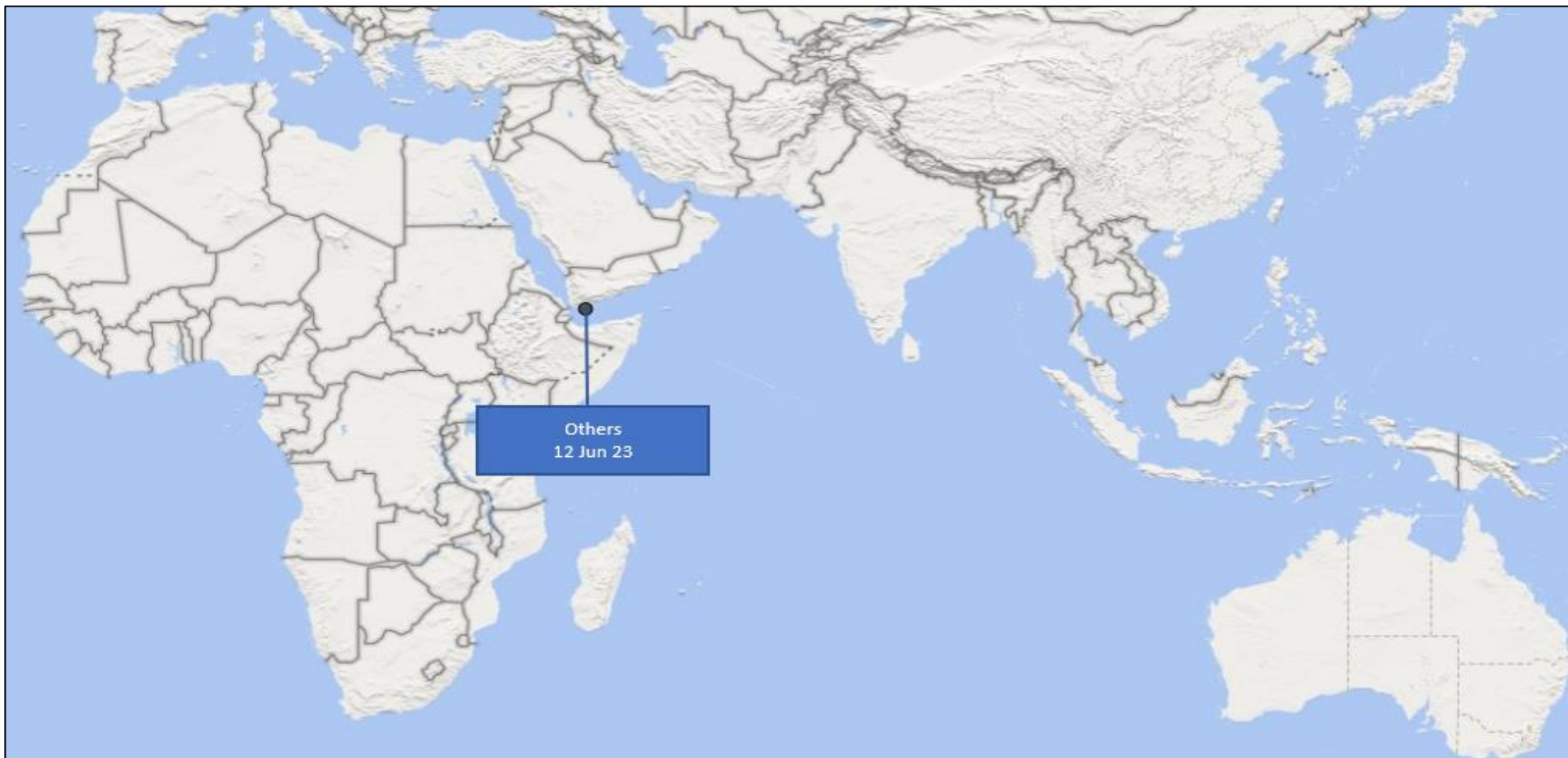


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1.	12 Jun 23	Others	Yemen/ Gulf of Aden	At Southern Port of Aden	NA	Yemen authorities seized a consignment of drones components at Southern Port of Aden, Yemen. Likely a conflict related incident.



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SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT (S)

- 302 kg of cocaine seized by Royal Malaysian Customs Department.

On 06 Jun 23, Malaysia authorities seized 302.2 kg of cocaine found in 10 sacks inside a container, mis-declared as soybeans at Port Klang, Malaysia. Reportedly, the estimated value of the seizure was USD 13,072,184.



- 32 kg of heroin seized by Narcotics Suppression Bureau and Customs Department, Thailand.

On 09 Jun 23, Thailand authorities seized 32 kg of heroin found in small plastic sachets inside the pain-relief packages at Bangkok Port, Thailand. Reportedly, the contraband was suspected to be smuggled to a foreign country. The estimated value of the seizure was USD 5,767,012.





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Synthetic Drug Supply remains at Extreme Levels and Diversifies in East and Southeast Asia.

<https://www.unodc.org/unodc/frontpage/2023/June/synthetic-drug-supply-remains-at-extreme-levels-and-diversifies-in-east-and-southeast-asia-according-to-new-unodc-report.html>

Federal Government of Nigeria Approves Ratification of Six Maritime Conventions and Protocols.

<https://maritimafrica.com/en/federal-government-of-nigeria-approves-ratification-of-six-maritime-conventions-and-protocols/>

World's First Commercial, Emission-Free, Autonomous Passenger Ferry Launched.

<https://www.marineinsight.com/shipping-news/worlds-first-commercial-emission-free-autonomous-passenger-ferry-launched/>

Temporary Fishing Ban in Gulf of Thailand due to Overfishing.

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