Session 4: Activities at Sea: Sources of Conflict
Or Areas for Cooperation
Fighting Piracy and Terrorism
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Presentation Scope

- Maritime Security
- Trends in Piracy and Terrorism
- Future threats
- Opportunities for cooperation towards Regional Security
- Development/Rationalisation of Security Approaches
Maritime Security Threats are Organised/Syndicated Crimes
Combatting Piracy and Terrorism in South East Asia

Piracy in Southeast Asia

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Attack on Seafarers/Coastal Communities

- Seaborne Terror
- Armed Robbery at Sea
- Piracy
Networked Operations
Abu Sayaff – Pirates and Terrorists
MV Royal 16

- On 11 Nov 2016, AS led by Sulu-based sub-leader Alvin "Arab Puti" Yusop, Alhabsy Misaya and Basilan-based sub-leader Radzmil "Kubayb" Jannatul while sailing near Sibago Island, Basilan

- They kidnapped the Captain and 5 crewman of MV Royal 16
  - Pham Minh Tuan
  - Huang Vo (escaped in June and rescued by Filipino Troops)
  - Tran Khac Dung (remains found in July)
  - Hoang Trung Thong (beheaded July 2017)
  - Hoang Van Hai (beheaded July 2017)
  - Do Trung Hieu (rescued in August 2107 by Joint Task Force Basilan)
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| ![Hoang Trung Thong](image1) | **Hoang Trung Thong**  
Crewman of MV Royal 16 | ![Hoang Va Hai](image2) | **Hoang Va Hai**  
Crewman of MV Royal 16 |
MV Giang Hai

- On March 16, Philippines reported 1 of the 6 kidnapped has been killed.
Vietnamese Fishing Vessel

• On 10 Nov 2017, Philippines Navy rescued 4 out of 5 kidnapped fishermen.
  – Buy Xuan Vien
  – Bui Trung Duc
  – Nguten Quang Hui.
  – Nguyen Hu Trong

• 1 was reportedly dead from disease. Nguyen Hu Trong.
Reflections

- In February 7, 2004, the Abu Sayaff set off a bomb in Superferry 14 off Corregidor which killed 116 people.
- A television set with 3.8 kg of TNT was left in the lower decks.
Source: World Energy Atlas

Oil and Gas Fields in South East Asia
VARIETY OF TARGETS AT SEA

LEGEND:
- Jacket Platform
- Floating Production, Storage & Offloading (FPSO)
- Truss Spar Platform
- Subsea Wellhead

OPERATOR:
- PETRONAS Floating Liquefied Natural Gas 2 (PFLNG2)
- Truss Spar Platform
- Subsea Wellhead

NOTE:
* Project in progress
** Under study/consideration

Water Depth

KLCC Height 452m

100m
200m
300m
400m
500m
600m
700m
800m
900m
1000m
1100m
1200m
1300m
>1300m Water Depth
Security concerns

Terrorist attacks

Militancy

Marine Encroachment

Sample pictures: Fisherman intrusion nearby oil & gas platform
Sea People (Straits of Malacca)

Attack on Anchored and Transit Ships (Straits of Malacca)

Attacks on Barges and Tugs (South China Sea)

Attacks on liquid flammable cargo (South China Sea)

Attack on Superferry 14 (Philippines)

Attacks on fishermen – Kidnap For Ransom (Sulu Sea)

Attacks on Ship Crew – KFR (Sulu Sea)

Beheading of Crew (Mindanao)

Next???

Piracy to Terrorism
Least Probable, Most Dangerous Threat
• Crime is hatched on land, uses the sea as a conduit and the fruits of crime is enjoyed on land

• Crime is a business and lives as a *shadow economy* alongside *legitimate economy*. Both depend on market forces
ORGANISED CRIME

LAND SEA NEXUS
LAND AND SEA ENFORCEMENT DIVIDED
LEGITIMATE ECONOMY

CAPACITY BUILDING

GAP REDUCTION - Targeting Regional Transnational Crime Logistics Chain

SHADOW ECONOMY
Transnational Organised Crime Syndicates

COMBATTTING CRIME – DEALING WITH JIGSAWS
DETERRENCE AND DISRUPTION— ORGANISED AGAINST ORGANISED CRIME
What is needed

Effective Conviction
• Successful arrests followed by successful incrimination

Target Supply Chain
• Breaking the land-sea logistics chain

Increase Costs of Crime
• Reduce the gap between legitimate economy and shadow economy

Outreach
• Collective Security as “Risk Mitigation”

Industry participation
• Private – Public Partnership
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