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To the Members

Singapore—Caution for Anchoring in the Eastern portion of the Singapore Strait

As we mentioned on the previous Japan P&I News No.1020, No.1138 and No.1142, the Indonesian Navy or the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency detained vessels which were anchoring or drifting in the Eastern portion of the Singapore Strait. These incidents are also reported this year.

When vessels were detained in the area, ordinary steps were interview to the master, payments of fines, and release of the vessel. However, there were some cases which a period of detention was very long are reported, anchoring or drifting in the area must not be carried out to avoid the risk of the detention. If there are any reasons to do anchoring or drifting in the area, it is highly recommended for avoiding risks that a local agent must be appointed to obtain clearance.

For your information, these kind of fines may not be in the coverage of the Association.

If you have any plans to call the area, please be cautious to this point.

Yours faithfully,

The Japan Ship Owners' Mutual Protection & Indemnity Association