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NAVPHIL 052/17 - MINDANAO, SE COAST, SULU SEA - PIRATES INFORMATION

BE INFORMED THAT PHILIPPINE INTEL RECEIVED UNSUBSTANTIATED YET CREDIBLE INFORMATION THAT THERE IS A HIGH PROBABILITY THAT THE ABU SAYYAF GROUP (ASG) WILL CONDUCT KIDNAPPING ACTIVITY ALONG THE BORDERS OF SABAH BEGINNING 09 MAY 2017. THE GROUP BELIEVED TO BE COMPOSED OF ABOUT EIGHT (8) MILITANTS WHILE UTILIZING AN INDIGENOUS "JUNGKONG" 3-ENGINE BOAT TO CARRY OUT THE SAID PLAN.

THE GROUP WILL LEAVE FROM THE SHORES OF PATIKUL, SULU AND PASS-BY PANGUTURAN ISLAND, SULU THEN HEAD STRAIGHT TO SABAH. THEY WILL BE TARGETING EITHER AN UNIDENTIFIED WEALTHY MALAYSIAN / FOREIGN BUSINESSMAN OR ANY FOREIGNER ONBOARD A YACHT THAT WOULD BE SAILING IN THE AREA. FURTHER INFORMATION STATES THAT THE GROUP ALREADY HAS SPOTTERS IN THEIR TARGET AREA IN SABAH, MALAYSIA

ALL SHIPS/WATERCRAFTS TRANSITING THE ABOVE MENTIONED AREA ARE ADVISED TO TAKE THE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.

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