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## NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

### China-China's 3rd flotilla sails into Gulf of Aden



The second flotilla, DDG-167 Shenzhen (back L) and FFG-570 Huangshan, will be replaced by FFG-529 Zhoushan (front R) and FFG-530 Xuzhou, which carry two helicopters and a Special Forces unit. The 3rd flotilla of Chinese naval fleet arrived in the waters of the Gulf of Aden off Somalia

Thursday to carry out escort mission against pirates.

Source: Xinhua, 30 July 2009

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2009-07/30/content\\_8494468.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2009-07/30/content_8494468.htm)

### China-Taiwan ships last of spent nuclear fuel to US

Chinese Taiwan has shipped to the United States the last spent fuel kept at two long-suspended nuclear reactors, an official said Thursday. The fuel, which contained highly enriched uranium, was placed in two special containers aboard a US transport vessel that sailed on July 19, said Shao Yao-chu of Taiwan's Atomic Energy Council.

Source: China Daily, 30 July 2009

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2009-07/30/content\\_8494938\\_2.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2009-07/30/content_8494938_2.htm)

### China-China delivers frigate to Pakistan

China delivered the first of four F22P frigates ordered by Pakistan on Thursday. Pakistan ordered the F22P frigates from China in 2005 and the first one began sea trials last year. It is said F22P frigates are equipped with



"state-of-the-art weaponry and sensors" and would also carry the Z9EC helicopter.

Source: China Daily, 31 July 2009

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2009-07/31/content\\_8499429.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2009-07/31/content_8499429.htm)

### **China- PLA marks 82nd year with call for stability**

The People's Liberation Army, the world's largest with 2.3 million members, marked its 82nd birthday yesterday, with an editorial in an official newspaper calling on the armed forces to maintain social stability in the wake of unrest. It should strengthen co-ordination with local governments to prepare to deal with all kinds of "unexpected" incidents, a front-page editorial in the People's Liberation Army Daily said.

Source: FT News, 2 August 2009

[http://global.factiva.com.ezlibproxy1.ntu.edu.sg/aa/?ref=SCMP000020090801e5820000I&pp=1&fcpil=en&napc=S&sa\\_from=](http://global.factiva.com.ezlibproxy1.ntu.edu.sg/aa/?ref=SCMP000020090801e5820000I&pp=1&fcpil=en&napc=S&sa_from=)

### **Japan-Japan MSDF, Chinese Navy to Hold Joint Nonmilitary Drills**

Adm. Keiji Akahoshi, Japan's Maritime Self-Defense Force chief of staff, said Tuesday that the MSDF and the Chinese Navy have agreed to carry out joint drills for disaster relief and humanitarian support. On cooperation in antipiracy operations in the Gulf of Aden, off Somalia, they consented to consider having commanding officers to visits each other's vessels and exchange information.

Source: General Economic news, 21 July 2009

[http://global.factiva.com.ezlibproxy1.ntu.edu.sg/aa/?ref=JIJ1000020090721e571000dz&pp=1&fcpil=en&napc=S&sa\\_from=](http://global.factiva.com.ezlibproxy1.ntu.edu.sg/aa/?ref=JIJ1000020090721e571000dz&pp=1&fcpil=en&napc=S&sa_from=)

### **Korea- S Korean navy chief leaves for Somali waters to meet anti-piracy commanders**

Jung Ok-keun, Chief of the South Korean Navy, left for Somali waters on Monday for meetings with multinational anti-piracy commanders there. Jung will meet with U.S. 5th Fleet

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Commander V. Adm. William Gortney, French Maj. Gen. Lefort Philippe, and Bahrainian chief of staff Maj. Gen. Sheikh Abdullah Khalifa during his five-day visit.

Source: People's Daily Online, 27 July 2009

<http://english.people.com.cn/90001/90777/90855/6711151.html>

## **Korea- South Korean navy requests Sikorsky MH-60S purchase**

South Korea's government has requested the purchase of eight Sikorsky MH-60S Seahawk multi-mission helicopters that its navy plans to use to detect and destroy mines along its coast. It is claimed that South Korea's navy needs the new helicopters to support its "ability to



provide mine warfare detection and mine neutralisation operations to maintain critical sea-lines of communication and coastal access around the Korean Peninsula.

Source: Flight Global, 30 July 2009

<http://www.flightglobal.com/articles/2009/07/30/330333/south-korean-navy-requests-sikorsky-mh-60s-purchase.html>

## **Korea- Korean Navy will join U.S. ballistic missile drills**

The King Sejong the Great, South Korea's first Aegis-guided vessel, will take part in its first ballistic missile defense drills near American waters next year., the King Sejong will participate in the Combat System Ship Qualifications Trials, or CSSQT, next year. The date wasn't determined, but the plan will likely be finalized at the Rim of the Pacific Exercise in Hawaii in August.

Source: Joong Ang Daily, 22 July 2009

<http://joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2907749>

## **Indonesia- Defense Ministry postpones purchase of submarines**

Indonesia is postponing until 2011 its plan to purchase two submarines for the Navy due to limited fund allocation. Indonesia's plan to procure at least two diesel-powered submarines has been delayed by two years because of insufficient defence procurement funds, a senior Indonesian defence official has announced.

Source: Antara News, July 29 2009

<http://www.antara.co.id/en/news/1248869385/defense-ministry-postpones-purchase-of-submarines>

## **Indonesia-Indonesia and Thailand Hold Joint Anti-Terrorism Simulation Training**

The Indonesian and Thai Navies are holding joint anti-terrorism simulation training in Balikpapan waters, East Kalimantan, to anticipate terrorism crimes at sea.

Source: Tempo Interactive, 4 August 2009

<http://www.tempointeractive.com/hg/nasional/2009/08/04/brk,20090804-190654,uk.html>

## **Indonesia-Indonesian Malaysian customs conduct coordinated patrols in Malacca Strait**

Indonesia's tax and customs excise directorate general and Malaysia's customs office have been carrying out coordinated marine patrols in the Malacca Strait since July 21 and will end the activity

Source: Antara News, 4 August 2009.

<http://www.antaranews.com/en/news/1249022946/indonesian-malaysian-customs-conduct-coordinated-patrols-in-malacca-strait>

## **Malaysia- Navy, Air Force Joint Exercises**

The Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN) and the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) are back in the joint exercise code-named Ekseais Angkasa Samudera or Angsa for the fourth time this year. Deputy navy chief Vice-admiral Datuk Mohammed Noordin Ali said the exercise was to evaluate the navy and air force's capabilities in defending the nation in a real combat situation.

Source: Bernama, 4 August 2009

<http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v5/newsindex.php?id=430122>

## **Singapore-Anti-terror naval exercise**

NAVIES from the region, together with the United States Navy, have been flexing their sea muscles in an annual exercise code-named Seacat.

Source: Straits Times, 6 August 2009

[http://www.straitstimes.com/Breaking%2BNews/Singapore/Story/STIStory\\_269739.html](http://www.straitstimes.com/Breaking%2BNews/Singapore/Story/STIStory_269739.html)

## **Singapore- Singaporean to lead flotilla**

A SINGAPOREAN navy officer will take charge of an international anti-piracy patrol coalition to curb the escalating violence off the waters of Somalia.

Source: Straits Times, 31 July 2009

[http://www.straitstimes.com/Breaking%2BNews/Singapore/Story/STIStory\\_410633.html](http://www.straitstimes.com/Breaking%2BNews/Singapore/Story/STIStory_410633.html)

## MARITIME CRIMES

### General-Pirate attacks double: IMB



There were 240 attacks in the period, compared with 114 a year earlier, the London-based ICC said in a statement on its Web site today. The number of incidents off the Somali coast and in the Gulf of Aden jumped to 130 from 24.

Pirate attacks on ships worldwide more than doubled in the first half as assaults off the coast of Somalia increased, the International Maritime Bureau's Piracy Reporting Centre said.

Source: Bloomberg, 27 July 2009

[http://www.etaiwannews.com/etn/news\\_content.php?id=1014217&lang=eng\\_news&cate\\_img=35.jpg&cate\\_rss=news\\_Business](http://www.etaiwannews.com/etn/news_content.php?id=1014217&lang=eng_news&cate_img=35.jpg&cate_rss=news_Business)

### General -Piracy Warning to Mariners

The Combined Maritime Forces (CMF) are warning mariners of an anticipated increase in piracy incidents when the southwest monsoon ends in the coming weeks, and are reiterating that merchant mariners must continue to take proactive action to help prevent piracy attacks. High sea states over the past few weeks in the Somali Basin have resulted in fewer attacks on vessels transiting the area but mariners must continue to remain vigilant.

Source: Marine Link, 28 July 2009,

<http://www.worldmaritimeneews.com/article/Shipping/13358/piracy+warning+to+mariners>

### **Southeast Asia- RP, Malaysian, Indonesian police officials meet on maritime security**

Philippine, Malaysian, and Indonesian security officials began Thursday a three-day conference to draw up strategies in the campaign against terrorism and other cross-border crimes affecting the three countries. And the conference will also be attended by representatives from the United States, which has been supportive in Southeast Asia's fight against extremist groups linked with the al-Qaeda international terrorist organization.

Source: GMA News, 30 July 2009

<http://www.gmanews.tv/story/168641/RP-Malaysian-Indonesian-police-officials-meet-on-maritime-security>

### **Myanmar- Myanmar cooperating with int'l community in combating human trafficking**

The Myanmar government is cooperating with the international community in carrying out rescue and rehabilitation programs for trafficked victims to combat human trafficking. Under government to government system, a total of 686 victims smuggled out of Myanmar have been rescued and brought back to the country as of 2008 and they were being kept at the rehabilitation centers, according to the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement.

Source: China Review, 6 August 2009

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-08/06/content\\_11837587.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-08/06/content_11837587.htm)

### **Malaysia-Malaysian Tug Freed**

THE Malaysian tug Masindra 7, hijacked on 16 December last year while on the return trip to Malaysia after completing a contract job in the Middle East, together with its tow – the Indonesian barge ADM1, on Sunday 2 August was released, according to numerous reports. Malaysian news agency Bernama says it understands all of the 11-strong Indonesian crew are safe and well.

Source: Maritime Global, 3 August 2009

<http://www.mglobal.com/news/dailystorydetails.cfm?storyid=10139&type=2>

### **Malaysia -Illegals threat to security: State Security**

The Malaysian Government regards illegal immigrants as a security threat to the nation and the waters off Sabah as one of the major entry points of illegal immigrants to Malaysia. An estimated 100,000 to 150,000 illegal immigrants from Indonesia and the Philippines are in Sabah," said State Secretary Datuk Sukarti Wakiman, Sukarti said the ever-present threat of piracy, kidnappings and terrorism to Sabah forced the enforcement authorities to take a different approach to maritime security.

Source: Daily Express, 5 August 2009

<http://www.dailyexpress.com.my/news.cfm?NewsID=66820>

### **Singapore-Tug attacked in South China Sea**

A Singapore-flagged tug has become the seventh vessel to be attacked by pirates off Mangkai Island in the South China Sea this year, writes Marcus Hand. The 249 gt tugboat Tahir, owned by Orchard Maritime Logistics, was attacked by five pirates armed with knives on August 2 while transiting the South China Sea.

Source: Lloyd's List, 4 August 2009

<http://www.lloydslist.com/ll/news/tug-attacked-in-south-china-sea/1249294228015.htm?highlight=true&containingAll=china&containingPhrase=&containingAnyWords>

### **Singapore-Piracy returns to Singapore Strait**

There was increase in significant pirate attacks against shipping in Asia in the first half of this year, according to a Singapore-based anti-piracy centre. The Regional Co-operation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia's half-year report said there 38 successful pirate attacks in Asian waters.

Source: Lloyd's List, 31 July 2009

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[http://www.loydslist.com/ll/news/piracy-returns-to-singapore-strait/1248871245595.htm;jsessionid=18AB141530D209DE9F7DE76581947F9E.5fa4e8cc80be35e2653c9f87d8b8be45bf6ba69a?teaser=true&articleId=1248871245595&login\\_error=1](http://www.loydslist.com/ll/news/piracy-returns-to-singapore-strait/1248871245595.htm;jsessionid=18AB141530D209DE9F7DE76581947F9E.5fa4e8cc80be35e2653c9f87d8b8be45bf6ba69a?teaser=true&articleId=1248871245595&login_error=1)

### **Taiwan-Taiwan sets date for trial of Tosa crew**

THE crew of the very large crude carrier Tosa held in Taiwan since April 18 after being arrested on suspicion of failing to come to the aid of a fishing vessel that capsized, will be tried on August 20.

Source: Lloyd's List, 4 August 2009

<http://www.loydslist.com/ll/news/taiwan-sets-date-for-trial-of-tosa-crew/1249294228105.htm?highlight=true&containingAll=japan&containingPhrase=&containingAnyWords=>

## SHIPPING

### **General- Container Forecaster predicts 10.3% contraction this year**

Drewry Shipping Consultants' latest Container Forecaster analysis has predicted a 10.3% contraction in the global container industry this year, to be followed by a mere 1% growth next year. For one of the most competitive trade routes – Asia-Europe, three years of demand growth have been wiped out, according to the report.

Source: The Star Online, 3 August 2009

<http://thestar.com.my/maritime/story.asp?file=/2009/8/3/maritime/4424218&sec=maritime>

### **Asia-Shipping lines in Asia suffer heavy blow**

Two of Asia's biggest shipping companies completed a grim week for the crisis-hit container shipping industry yesterday -Hong Kong's Orient Overseas International, parent of the OOCL shipping line, announced a \$232m net loss for the first half, while Korea's Hanjin Shipping incurred a \$516m net loss.

Source: Financial Times, 6 August 2009

[http://www.thepeninsulaqatar.com/Display\\_news.asp?section=Business\\_News&subsection=market+news&month=August2009&file=Business\\_News200908081130.xml](http://www.thepeninsulaqatar.com/Display_news.asp?section=Business_News&subsection=market+news&month=August2009&file=Business_News200908081130.xml)

### **China-Chinese PMI at 12-month high**

China's Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI), which is compiled by measuring a raft of indices with information sourced from manufacturers across the country, climbed further in July to hit 53.3 making the fifth month in a row that the index has been above the expansion threshold.

Source: Container International Online, 5 August 2009

[http://www.ci-online.co.uk/news/showNews.asp?News\\_ID=25403](http://www.ci-online.co.uk/news/showNews.asp?News_ID=25403)

## **China-CHINESE IMPORTS SOAR**

Growing demand from China consumers, coupled with a worldwide decline in the West's ability to consume Chinese-made goods, could lead to long-term changes in the pattern of world trade and in balance of containerised cargoes on China services. In Q2 2008 there were only 56 tonnes of Chinese imports for every 100 tonnes exported. One year later, that figure has grown to 80 tonnes. If that trend continues, container lines will have to seriously address their strategies.

Source: Maritime Global, 04 August 2009

<http://www.mglobal.com/news/dailystorydetails.cfm?storyid=10143&type=2>

## **China-Double-digit growth for China ports**

CHINA's major ports saw a double-digit growth in total throughput in July, the first time since September last year. China's Ministry of Transport said total cargo throughput at the country's major ports increased 12.9% year-on-year to 500m tonnes in July.

Source: Lloyd's List, 5 August 2009

<http://www.lloydslist.com/ll/news/double-digit-growth-for-china-ports/20017683599.htm?highlight=true&containingAll=china&containingPhrase=&containingAnyWords=>

## **Japan-NYK reveals plans for ¥60bn bonds offering**

Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Japan's largest shipping operator is to issue a total of ¥60bn (\$630.8m) in bonds later this month. An NYK source said the company was aiming to access low interest funds over the long term to service short-term loans, capital investment and operating cash. The latest fundraising effort is the first time the company has issued bonds since 2007.

Source: Vietnam Maritime Social Network, 5 August 2009

<http://www.vinamaso.net/news-events/shipping-logistics/nyk-reveals-plans-for-y60bn-bonds-offering.html>

## **Korea-Hanjin sinks further into the red**

SOUTH Korea's Hanjin Shipping sank further into the red in the second quarter, despite increased box volumes. Compared to the first quarter, Hanjin achieved a sales increase of 2.5% to \$1.3bn in the second quarter. Still, the company succumbed to a net loss of \$325m, compared to a loss of \$191m in the first quarter.

Source: Lloyd's List, 7 August 2009

<http://www.lloydslist.com/ll/news/hanjin-sinks-further-into-the-red/20017684596.htm;jsessionid=B805A9A1964A4372B72D304BFC93CC34.065acf6a61c52eed94766d1ba7da5d95d4ecd58a>

## **Malaysia-Global Carriers to Acquire Two More Vessels This Year**

Freight services provider Global Carriers Bhd will take delivery of two new clean petroleum product (CPP) ships in the second half of the year.

Source: Bernama, 25 July 2009

<http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v5/newsindex.php?id=427962>

## **Singapore-NOL is hit hard**

Neptune Orient Lines, (NOL) the Singapore-based maritime conglomerate has plunged into the red in H1 09. Revenue of the group in this period plummeted by 37% to USD2.9 billion, making an operating loss of USD353 million at EBIT (core). This is a very disappointing situation compared with group's H1 08 results which produced an operating profit of USD209 million - a return on sales of 4.5%.NOL's container shipping division, APL was the worst hit with a 37% revenue loss to USD2.5 billion, resulting in an operating loss of USD379 million compared with the same period last year.

Source: Container International Online, 6 August 2009

[http://www.ci-online.co.uk/news/showNews.asp?News\\_ID=25423](http://www.ci-online.co.uk/news/showNews.asp?News_ID=25423)

## PORT DEVELOPMENTS

### China- Shanghai Port, China Shipping Container rise on exports outlook

Shanghai International Port (Group) Co., operator of China's busiest port, and China Shipping Container Lines Co. rose in Shanghai trading on speculation a global trade slump is easing. Shanghai Port climbed as much as 3.5 percent to 6.29 yuan as of 10:53 a.m. China Shipping Container, the city's biggest cargo-box carrier, jumped as much as 9.3 percent to 6.25 yuan.

Source: Fresh Plaza, 5 August 2009

[http://www.freshplaza.com/news\\_detail.asp?id=48447](http://www.freshplaza.com/news_detail.asp?id=48447)

### China- Dangerous shipping to be excluded in Shanghai of China

The transport of dangerous freight will be restricted on the Huangpu River during the Shanghai World Expo next year to prevent accidents, the local maritime authorities said on Monday.

Source Xinhua Net, 28 July 2009

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-07/28/content\\_11785784.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-07/28/content_11785784.htm)

### Korea-Shipyards may see total 27% gain

Hyundai Heavy Industries Co., the world's biggest shipbuilder, and its two closest rivals may report a combined 27 percent profit gain this quarter as partial payments for vessel orders increase, analysts estimated. Profit may jump to 953.2 billion won (\$780 million) for Hyundai, Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering Co. and Samsung Heavy Industries Co., from 750.7 billion won in the prior quarter, according to estimates compiled by Bloomberg. Hyundai and Samsung Heavy posted second-quarter profit declines.

Source Joong Ang Daily, 6 August 2009

<http://joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2908390>

### **Cambodia-New ferry terminal launches in capital**

Phnom Penh's new ferry port was launched recently with four ferries expected to transport 1,000 people and hundreds of vehicles daily between the capital and Arey-Ksat port in Kandal province's Lvea-Em district. The former Tonle Sap location was handed over to the municipality's Naval Force unit.

Source: The Phnom Post, 29 July 2009

<http://www.phnompenhpost.com/index.php/2009072927445/Business/new-ferry-terminal-launches-in-capital.html>

## MARITIME BOUNDARY DELIMITATION

### China-Strategic Implications of Chinese Fisheries Development

China's is strengthening its status as a major global fishing power. With a total haul of over 17



million tons in 2007, China's take is four times that of the nearest competitor, and far exceeds the catch of Japan, the United States and other major Pacific maritime powers. China's massive fishing fleet is concentrated in the Western Pacific, but is also active now on all the world's oceans. This issue should foremost be evaluated

in an environmental context and security aspect.

Source: The Jamestown Foundation, 5 August 2009

[http://www.jamestown.org/single/?no\\_cache=1&tx\\_ttnews%5Btt\\_news%5D=35372&tx\\_ttnews%5BbackPid%5D=7&cHash=f4bf7444bc](http://www.jamestown.org/single/?no_cache=1&tx_ttnews%5Btt_news%5D=35372&tx_ttnews%5BbackPid%5D=7&cHash=f4bf7444bc)

### Korea- South Korean fishing boat was towed away by the North

The 29-ton fishing boat, 800 Yeonan, strayed north of the border on the east coast yesterday and was tugged away by a North Korean patrol boat. The boat was about 20 nautical miles northeast of Jaejin, Gangwon province, or seven miles beyond the Northern Limit Line, according to South Korean officials.

Source: Joong Ang Daily, 31 July 2009

<http://joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2908174>

### Korea: S. Korean Fishermen 'Under Investigation' in North

There were fears Saturday that North Korea is determined to hold the crew of a South Korean fishing boat for a long time after official North Korean media reported on the "illegal intrusion."

Source: The Chosun Ilbo, 3 August 2009

[http://english.chosun.com/site/data/html\\_dir/2009/08/03/2009080300790.html](http://english.chosun.com/site/data/html_dir/2009/08/03/2009080300790.html)

### **Cambodia: Officials reject Thai group's claims over French oil deal**

CAMBODIAN officials have dismissed Thai protesters' claims that a recent oil exploration agreement between Cambodia and French oil giant Total is a violation of Thai sovereignty. During Prime Minister Hun Sen's visit to France last month, officials announced an agreement offering Total the exploration rights to a 2,430-square-kilometre block - known as Area III - that sits inside the OCA.

Source: Phnom Penh Post, 3 August 2009

<http://www.phnompenhpost.com/index.php/2009080327510/National-news/officials-reject-thai-groups-claims-over-french-oil-deal.html>

### **Malaysia- Brunei Proposes Joint Oil Exploration**



Malaysia has proposed the possibility of joint oil explorations with Brunei and for the Sultanate arose over four deep underwater blocks in the South China Sea to consider a role for the Malaysian national oil firm, PETRONAS, in venture. Details of the cooperation will be discussed in the future and will be based on the previous agreements achieved by two countries.

Source: BruneiDirect, 7 August 2009

<http://www.brudirect.com/index.php/200908064226/Local-News/malaysia-proposes-joint-oil-exploration.html>

### **Thailand-Cambodia's oil concession doesn't affect Thailand**

Thailand's Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday said Cambodia's concession granted to a French company to explore petroleum in the disputed maritime area will not affect Thailand's rights over the area.

Source: MCOT. Net, 30 July 2009

<http://enews.mcot.net/view.php?id=11062>

## **Brunei-Foreigner was caught for illegal fishing**

The Royal Brunei Marine Police caught a foreign man for fishing illegally at Pulong Rock Island area during a coastal operation. He was charged for three offences; fishing without a valid license, fishing in Brunei, and entering the country as an illegal immigrant

Source: Brunei fm, 1 August 2009

<http://news.brunei.fm/2009/08/01/marine-police-nab-foreigner-fishing-illegally-in-brunei-waters/>

## **Singapore-Legal means for disputes**

RECENT tensions around the South China Sea has shown the need for countries to engage in dialogue and address disputes within international legal frameworks, said Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean on Tuesday.

Source: Straits Times, 4 August 2009

[http://www.straitstimes.com/Breaking%2BNews/Singapore/Story/STIStory\\_412380.html](http://www.straitstimes.com/Breaking%2BNews/Singapore/Story/STIStory_412380.html)

## **General-Maritime body to make shipping sector more eco-friendly**

THE International Maritime Organisation (IMO) will intensify efforts to reduce the contribution of the shipping industry to global warming and climate change.

Source: The Star Online, 3 August 2009

<http://thestar.com.my/news/story.asp?file=/2009/8/3/maritime/4423885&sec=maritime>