

# DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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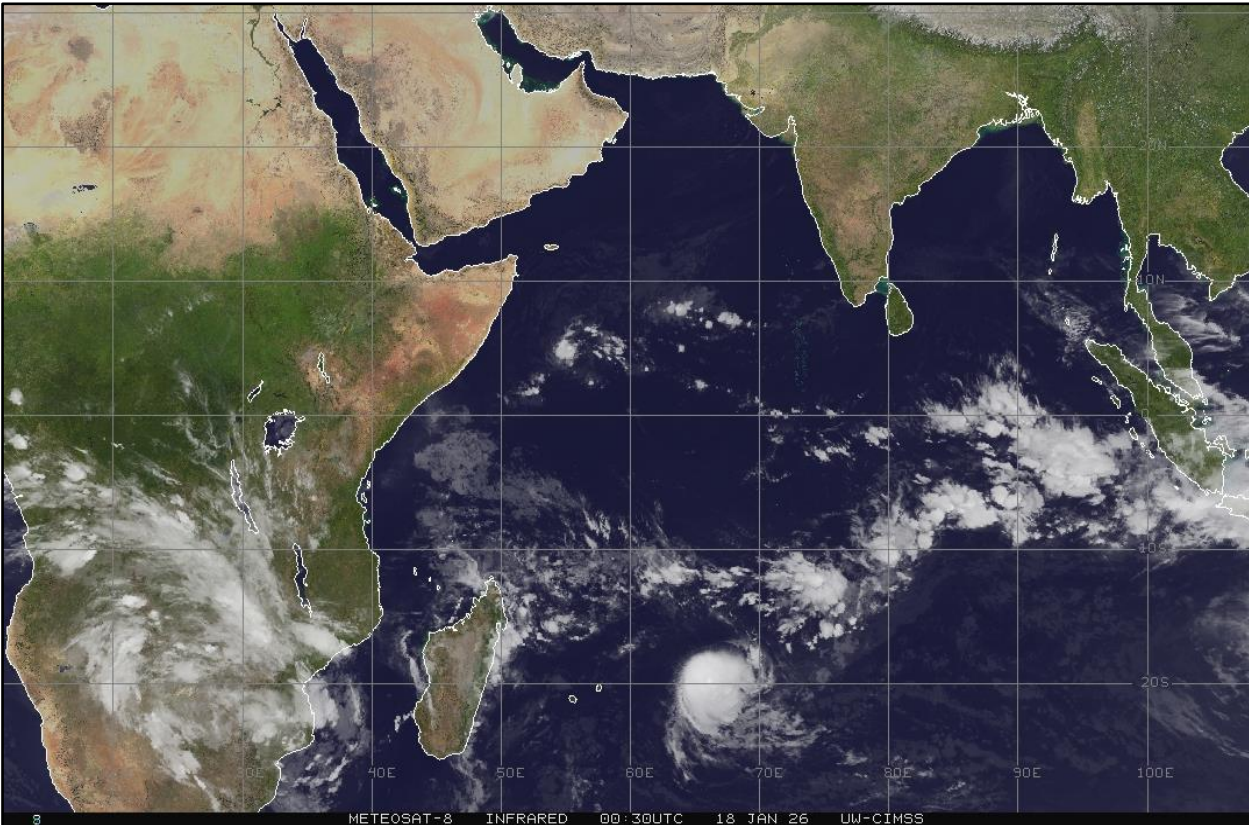
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Date 2026.01.18

# WEATHER FORECAST



## Weather Forecast for next 24 hrs



### FLEET FORECAST

Fleet Forecast for Area - E

Issued by the National Meteorological Center, Department of Meteorology Sri Lanka.

Valid period: 2026.01.18/0600UTC to 2026.01.18/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.01.18

To: CBO Radio/Fisheries/SL Navy/CBO Port/Coast Guard

Shear line is approximately along : 03S 60E, EQ 70E, 02N 80E, 05N 90E, 07N 100E

ITCZ is approximately along : - 13S 70E, 12S 80E, 06S 90E, 08S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 00, 50, 55, 70, 75, 80, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 20, 30, 35, 45, 65

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere.

Winds:

North of Shear line

West of 75E: NE'ly to E'ly/ (10-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 00.

East of 75E: NE'ly to N'ly/ (10-20)kts gusting up to 25 kts in sections 05.

In-between Shear line and ITCZ

NW'ly to SW'ly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to (25-30) kts in sections 50, 55, 70, 75

South of ITCZ:

West of 80E: NW'ly to SW'ly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 80

East of 80E: SE'ly to SW'ly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to 25 kts in section 85

Seas:

Rough in sections : 50, 55, 70, 75

Fairly Rough, rough at times in sections : 60, 65, 80, 85

Moderate, fairly rough at times in sections : 00, 05, 30, 35, 45

Slight to Moderate elsewhere.

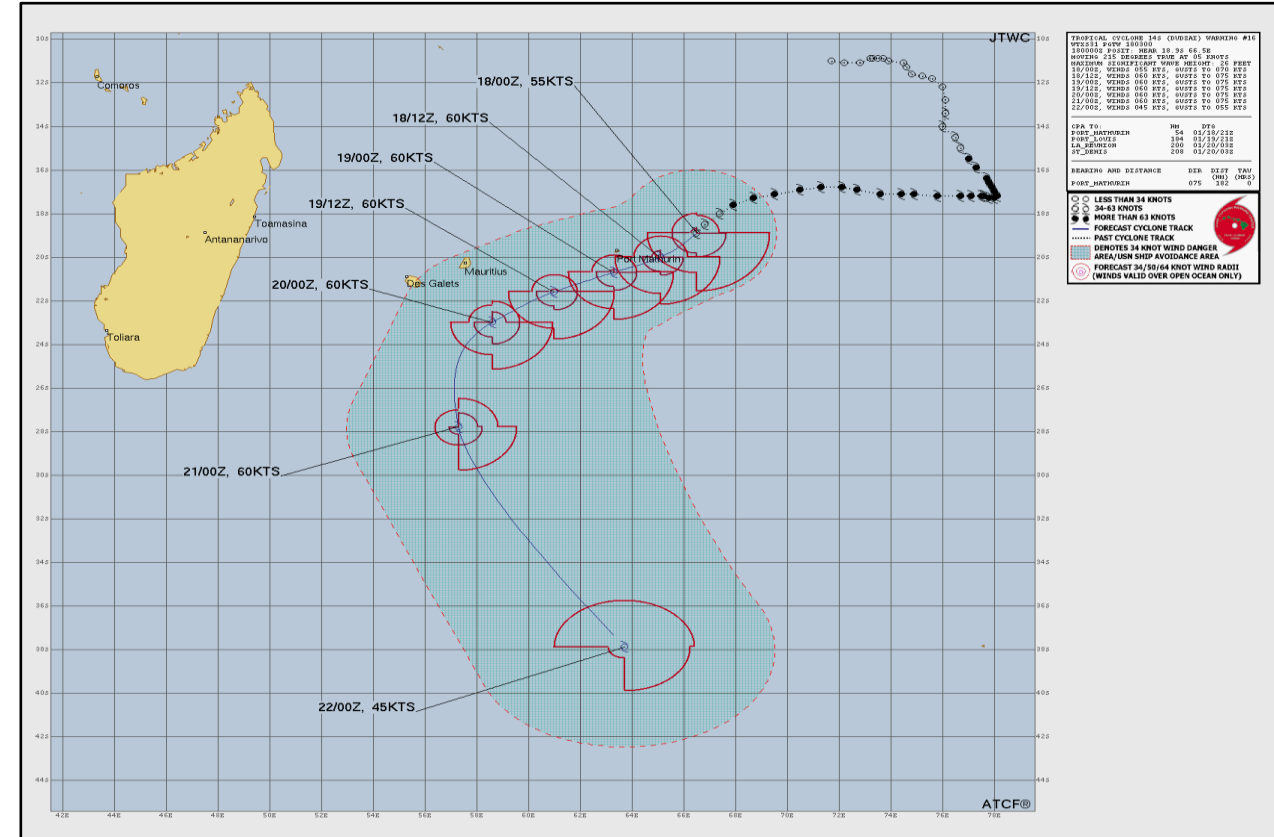
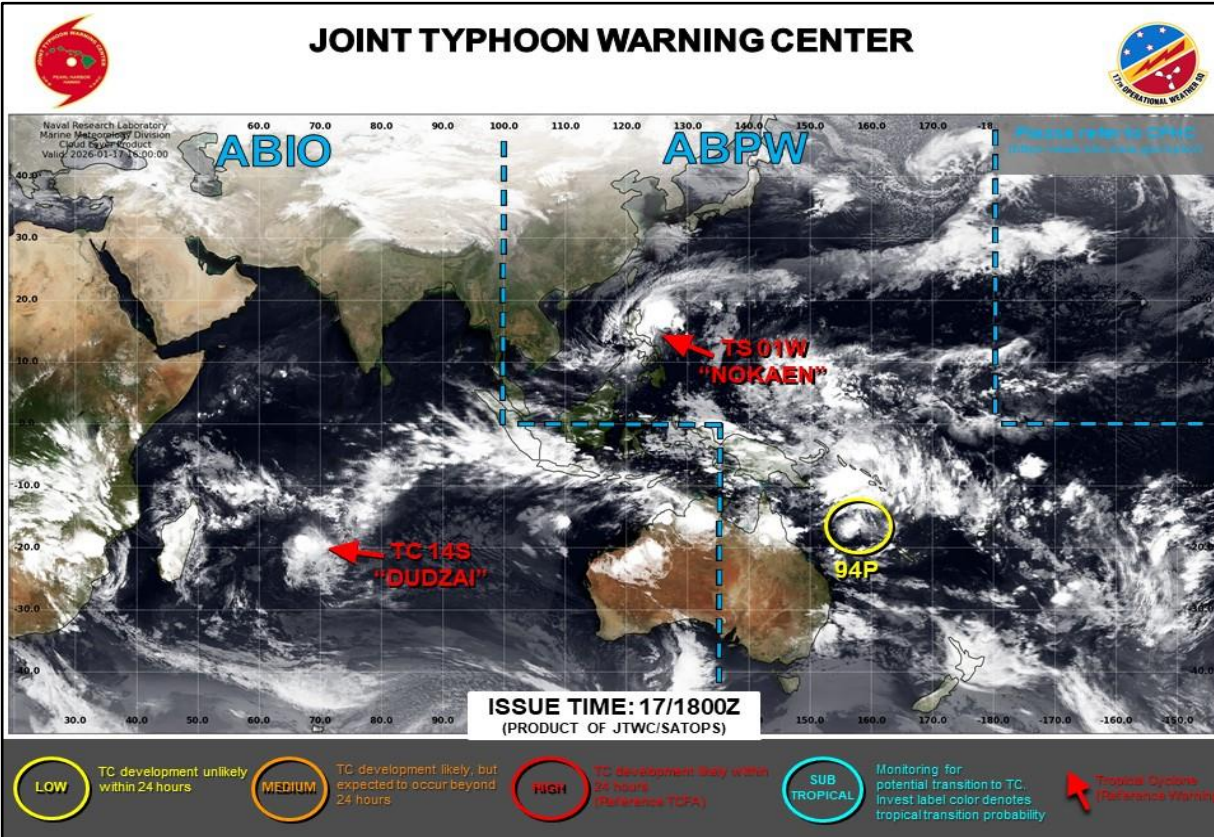
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers

- Source: 1. <https://meteo.gov.lk> 2. <https://www.srilankaview.com/weather.htm>

# CYCLONE



## Tropical Cyclone 14S "Duduzai"

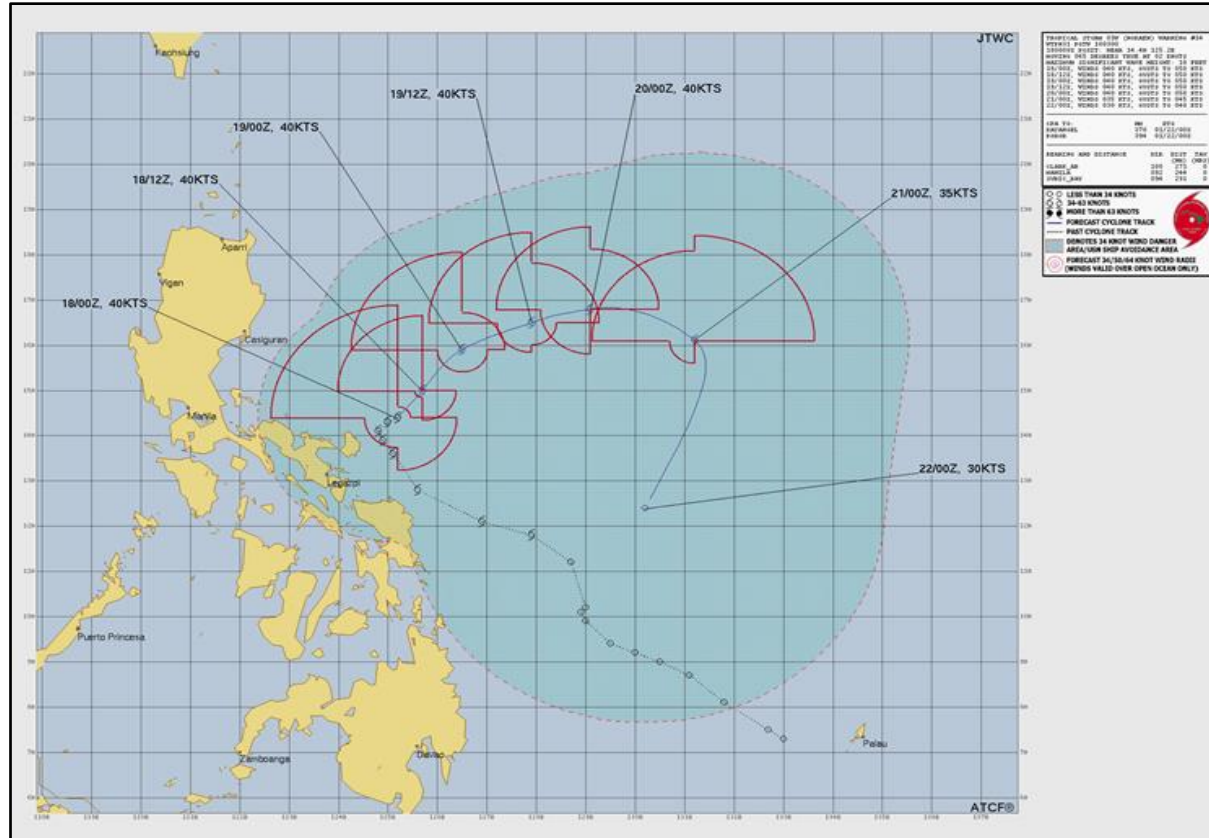


• Source: <https://www.metoc.dc3n.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>



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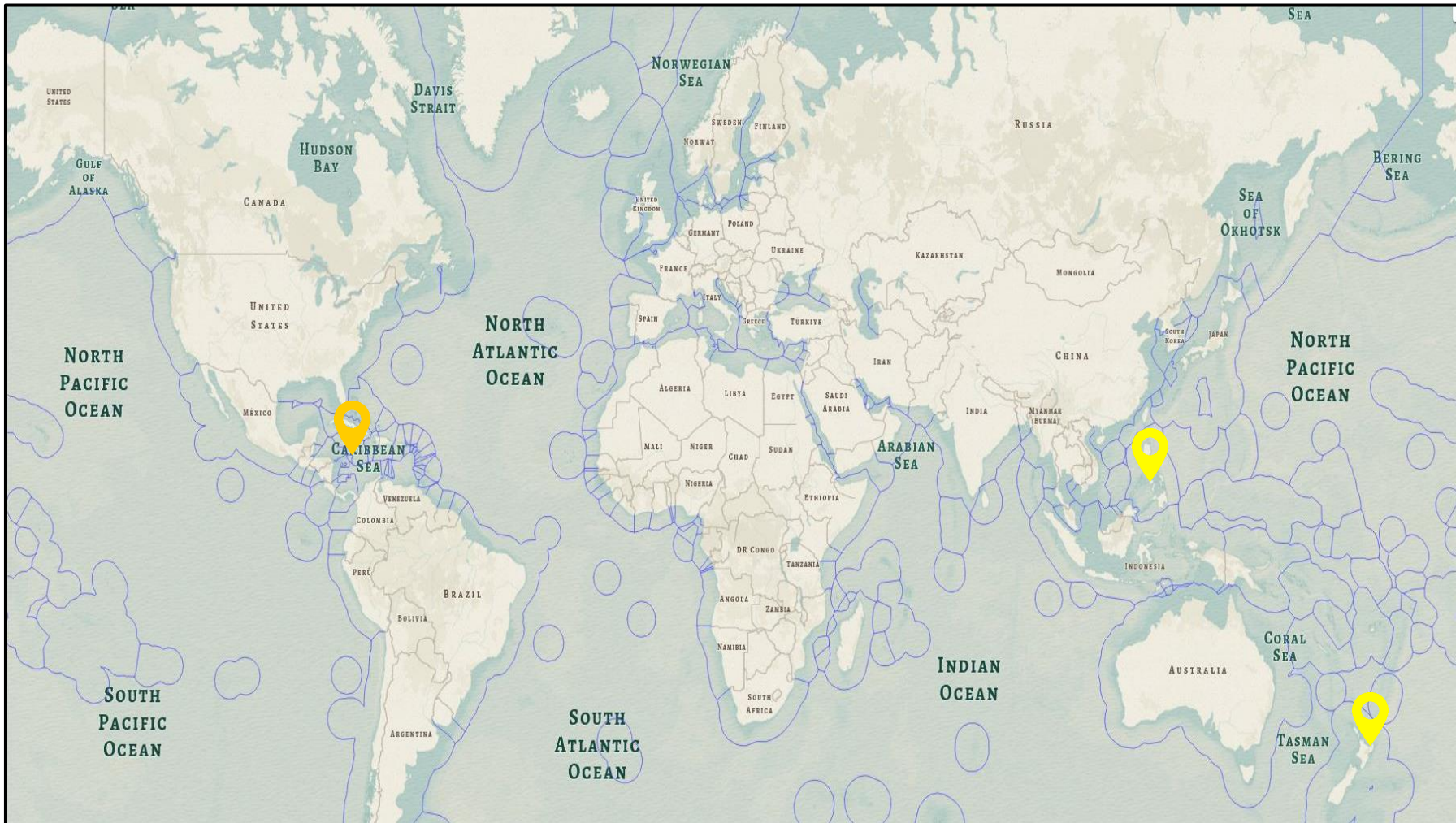
## Tropical Storm 01W "Nokaen"



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# SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
 Maritime Incidents	02
 Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
 Smuggling	NIL
 IUU Fishing	NIL
 Narcotic	01
 Irregular Human Migration	NIL
 Marin Environment Pollution	NIL
 Other	NIL
<b>Total Incidents</b>	<b>03</b>

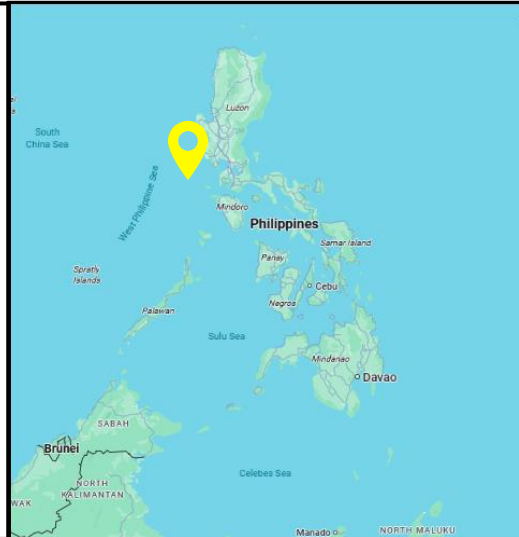
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## 17 Jan/ Warship Sinks Ahead of Balikatan Exercises/ Philippines

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.17	Philippines	West coast	Capsizing / Sinking	Name- BRP Miguel Malvar Type - Warship	Philippine Navy spokesman John Percie Alcos reported that rough sea conditions led to the sinking of a ship, which, despite its long service life, took on significant water and ultimately submerged.

The BRP Miguel Malvar, an 80 year old ship with a history dating back to World War II, was intended to serve as a target ship during the "Balikatan" military exercises between the US and the Philippines. With a notable past of chasing Japanese submarines and transporting German prisoners, the ship ultimately sank off the west coast of the Philippines before the exercises began.



Source -: <https://maritimefairtrade.org/philippines-warship-sinks-ahead-of-balikatan-exercises/>

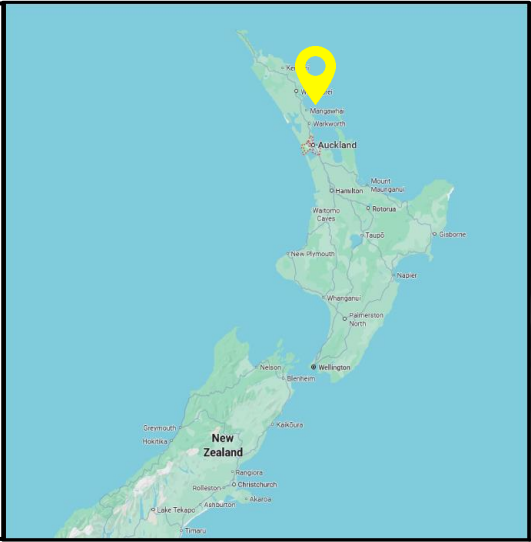
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17 Jan/ Two rescued from boat stranded on rocks north of Auckland/ New Zealand

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.17	New Zealand	North of Auckland	Rescue Operations	-	The Auckland City high-angle triangle rescue team, alongside police and ambulance crews, provided specialist support to volunteers as they navigated a challenging cliff face using rescue lines in complete darkness.

Two individuals were rescued from a boat that collided with rocks near Leigh, north of Auckland, during a severe weather event early this morning. Police received the call around 0240 am after the 16 meter vessel struck the rocks, and the individuals attempted to reach the shore. Fire and Emergency responded at approximately 0300 am, with the local volunteer fire brigade arriving to find them trapped on the boat at Leigh Harbour.



Source -: <https://www.1news.co.nz/2026/01/18/two-rescued-from-boat-stranded-on-rocks-north-of-auckland/>

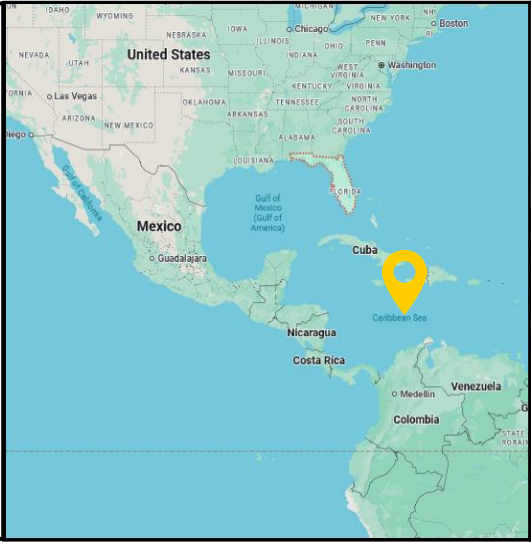
# NARCOTIC



## 16 Jan/ Coast Guard Cutter Alert Returns Home After Seizing More Than \$18 Million in Narcotics/ USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.01.16	USA	Caribbean Sea	Seizure Of Narcotics	Coast Guard cutter Alert	The Coast Guard cutter Alert's crew returned to Cape Canaveral, Florida, after a 45-day counter-drug patrol in the Windward Passage, Caribbean Sea, and eastern Pacific Ocean.

While operating in the Coast Guard Southeast District, the Alert's crew intercepted a boat involved in drug trafficking in the Windward Passage, seizing 2,250 pounds of cocaine worth \$18.4 million, seven pounds of marijuana valued at \$7,000, and an illegal firearm. The four suspected smugglers were handed over to the Bahamas government for prosecution.



Source -: <https://www.war.gov/News/News-Stories/Article/Article/4381647/coast-guard-cutter-alert-returns-home-after-seizing-more-than-18-million-in-nar/>



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