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SHIP SECURITY ADVISORY NO. 08-22

To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Company Security Officers, Recognized Security Organizations

Subject: CHINESE MILITARY EXERCISES OFF TAIWAN

Date: 4 August 2022

The Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator draws attention to potential security threats posed by Chinese live-fire military exercises off Taiwan scheduled to be carried out from 4 to 7 August 2022. Merchant shipping detours, delays, and potential disruption to supply chains are likely to occur during this period.

As per the China Maritime Safety Administration, the Chinese People's Liberation Army will conduct military exercises and training activities including live-fire drills from 1200 (Beijing Time) 4 August to 1200 (Beijing Time) 7 August 2022. For safety reasons, vessels and aircraft are prohibited from entering the following sea and air spaces:

1.0 Exercise Areas



Source: GARD / Huatai Insurance Agency

This SSA is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.

Area 1	Area 2
25-15.26 N, 120-29.20 E;	26-07.00 N, 121-57.00 E
24-50.30 N, 120-05.45 E;	25-30.00 N, 121-57.00 E
25-04.32 N, 119-51.22 E;	25-30.00 N, 121-28.00 E
25-28.12 N, 120-14.30 E.	26-07.00 N, 121-28.00 E
Area 3	Area 4
25-34.00 N, 122-50.00 E	22-56.00 N, 122-40.00 E
25-03.00 N, 122-50.00 E	23-38.00 N, 122-51.00 E
25-03.00 N, 122-11.00 E	23-38.00 N, 123-23.00 E
25-34.00 N, 122-11.00 E	22-56.00 N, 123-09.00 E
Area 5	Area 6
21-14.00 N, 121-33.00 E	22-43.00 N, 119-14.00 E
21-33.00 N, 121-18.00 E	22-10.00 N, 119-06.00 E
21-07.00 N, 120-43.00 E	21-33.00 N, 120-29.00 E
20-48.00 N, 120-59.00 E	22-09.00 N, 120-32.00 E

2.0 Guidance

Shipping traffic may be affected along regular routes, especially near the major ports of Kaohsiung, Taipei, and Keelung. RMI-registered vessels operating in this region are advised to:

- .1 Mark all identified areas on the above charts.
- .2 Amend voyage plans to avoid entering the areas.
- .3 Maintain a vigilant watch for collision avoidance.
- .4 Ensure AIS is activated and functioning properly.
- .5 Monitor VHF Ch.16 and respond to any radio communication by military in the area.
- .6 If applicable, remain in close contact with local port agents in Taiwan.
- .7 Closely monitor [NAVTEX](#) and [NAVAREA XI](#) warnings.
- .8 Vessels are encouraged to follow the Information Fusion Centre (IFC) Singapore [Voluntary Community Reporting \(VCR\) guidelines](#). Reporting forms can be accessed through the [Admiralty Maritime Security Planning Chart](#) website.

3.0 References

- .1 GARD, [Military exercises by China in waters off Taiwan](#)
- .2 Standard Club, [Military exercises off Taiwan waters \(4-7 August 2022\)](#)