

DAILY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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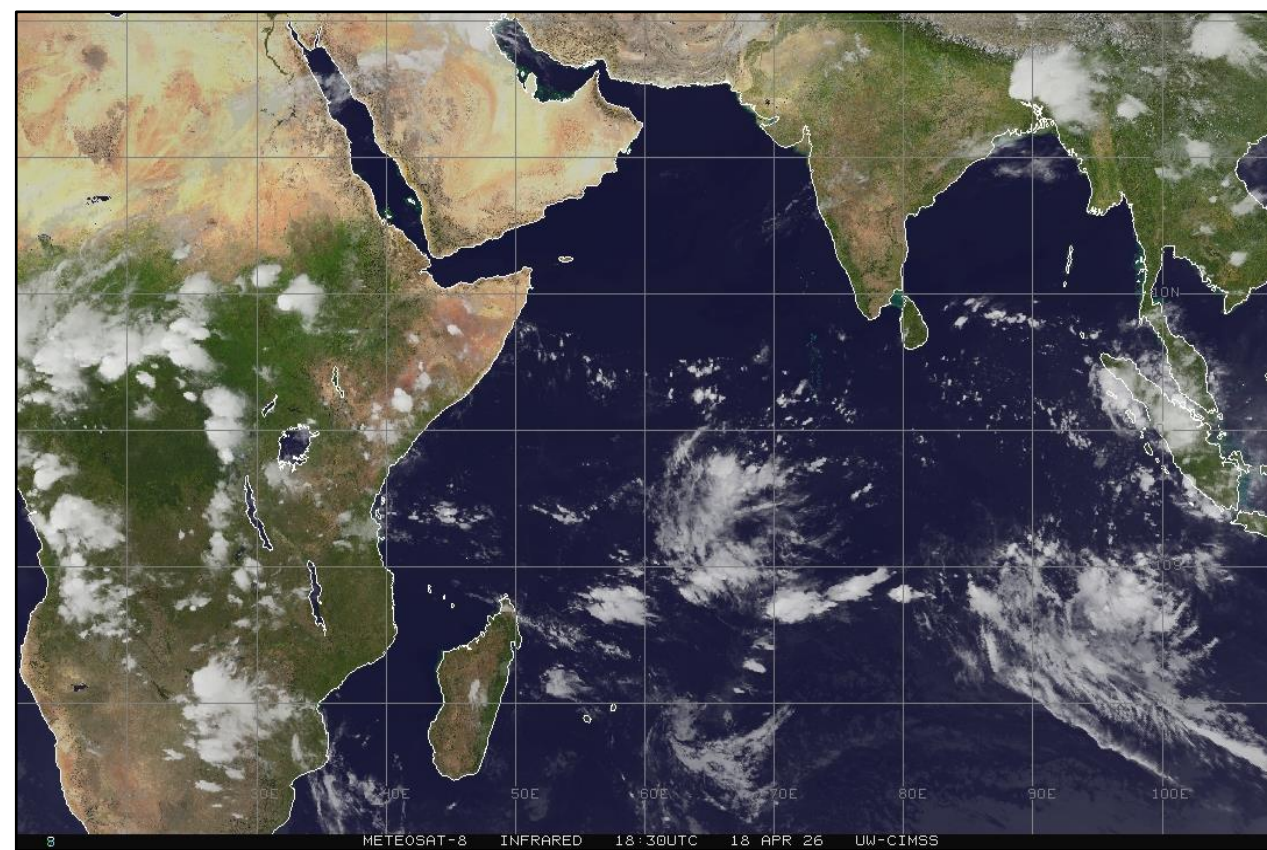
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Date 2026.04.19

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: 2026.04.19/0600UTC to 2026.04.19/1400UTC

Issued at 0000UTC on 2026.04.19

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

ITCZ is approximately along : 02N 60E, 01N 70E, 01S 80E, 04N 90E

Shear line is approximately along : 06S 60E, 04S 70E, 09S 80E, 07S 90E, 03S 100E

Weather:

OCNL Showers / T'Showers in sections : 35, 55, 60, 85

SCT Showers / T'Showers in sections : 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 65, 70, 75, 80

ISOL Showers / T'Showers elsewhere

Winds:

North of ITCZ:

West of 75E: NE'yly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

East of 75E: SE'yly or Variable / (05-15) kts.

In-between ITCZ and Shear line:

West of 80E: W'yly / (05-15) kts.

East of 80E: SW'yly to S'yly / (05-15) kts.

South of Shear line:

SE'yly / (15-20)kts; gusting up to 25kts in sections 80 and 85

Seas:

Moderate, fairly rough at times in Sections : 80, 85

Moderate in Sections : 55, 60, 65, 70, 75

Slight to moderate elsewhere.

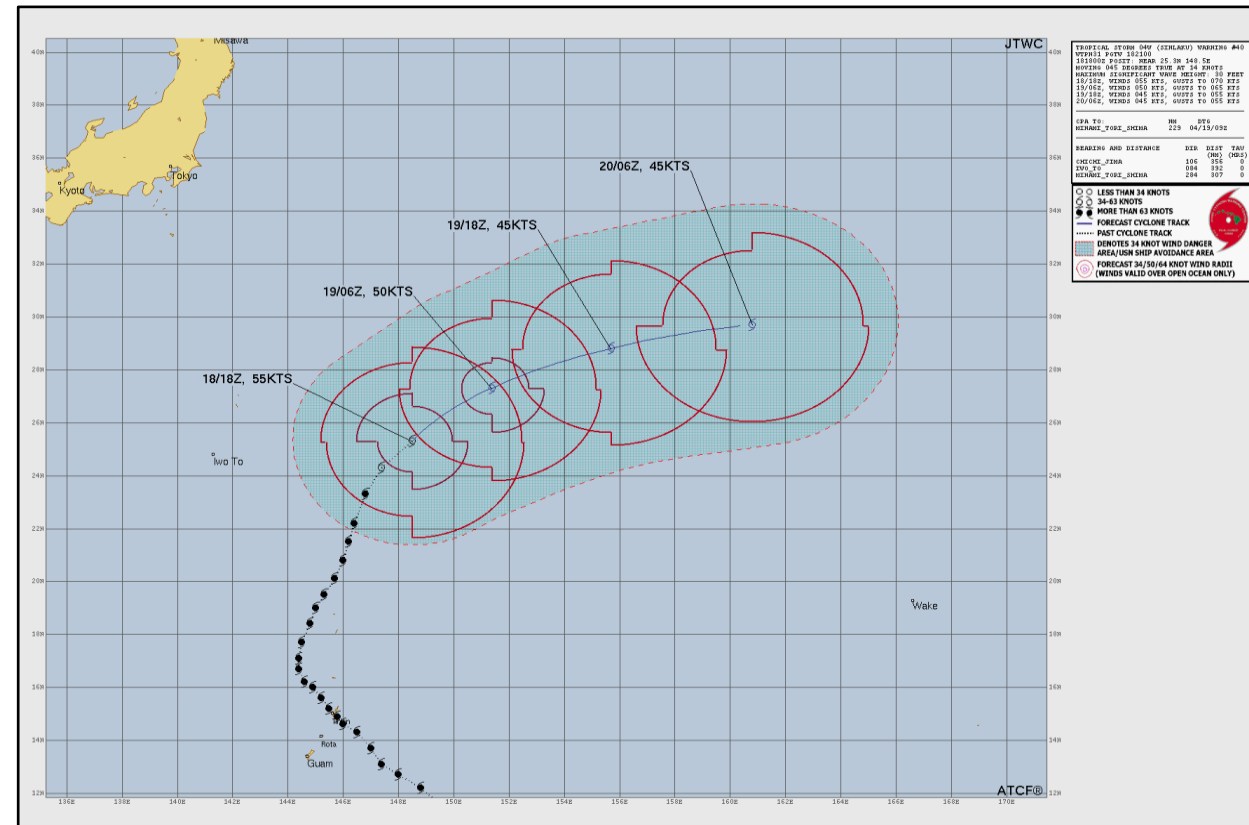
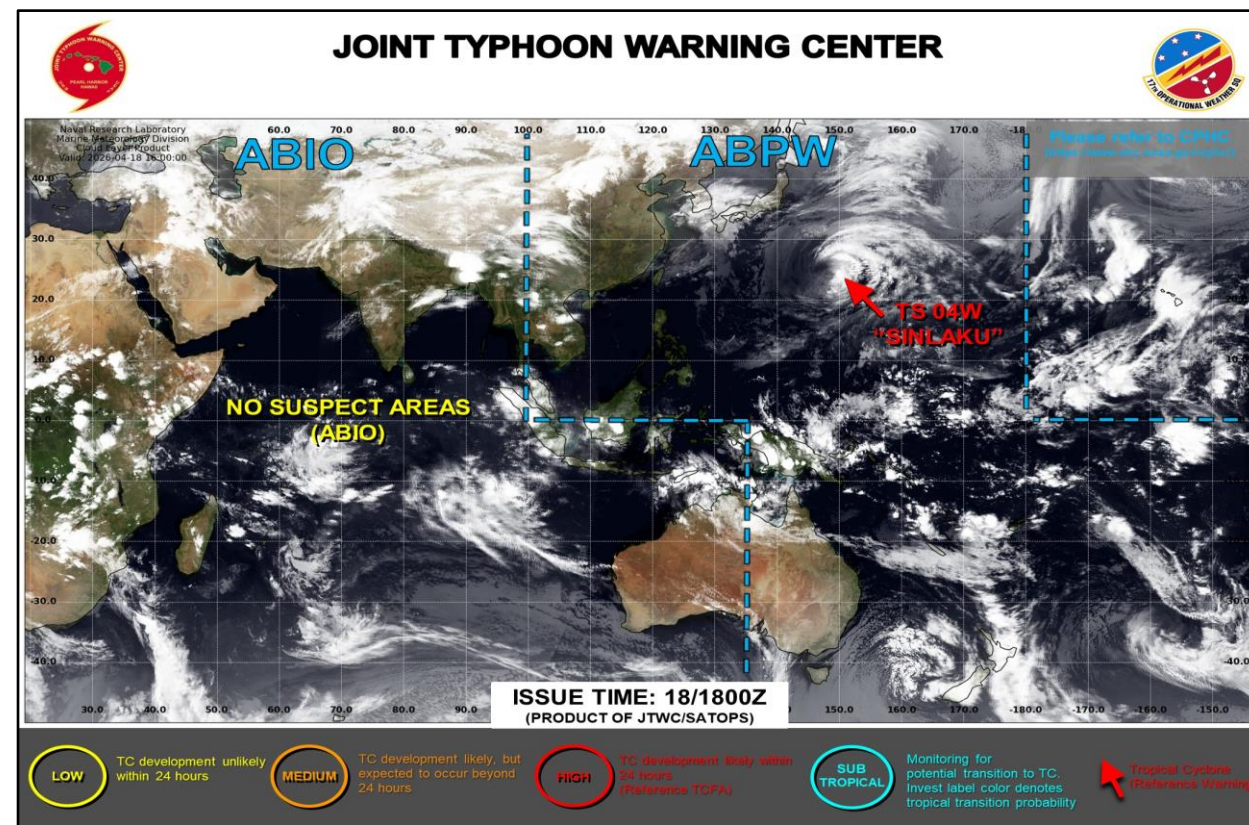
NOTE: Seas can be temporarily very rough during thundershowers.

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

CYCLONE



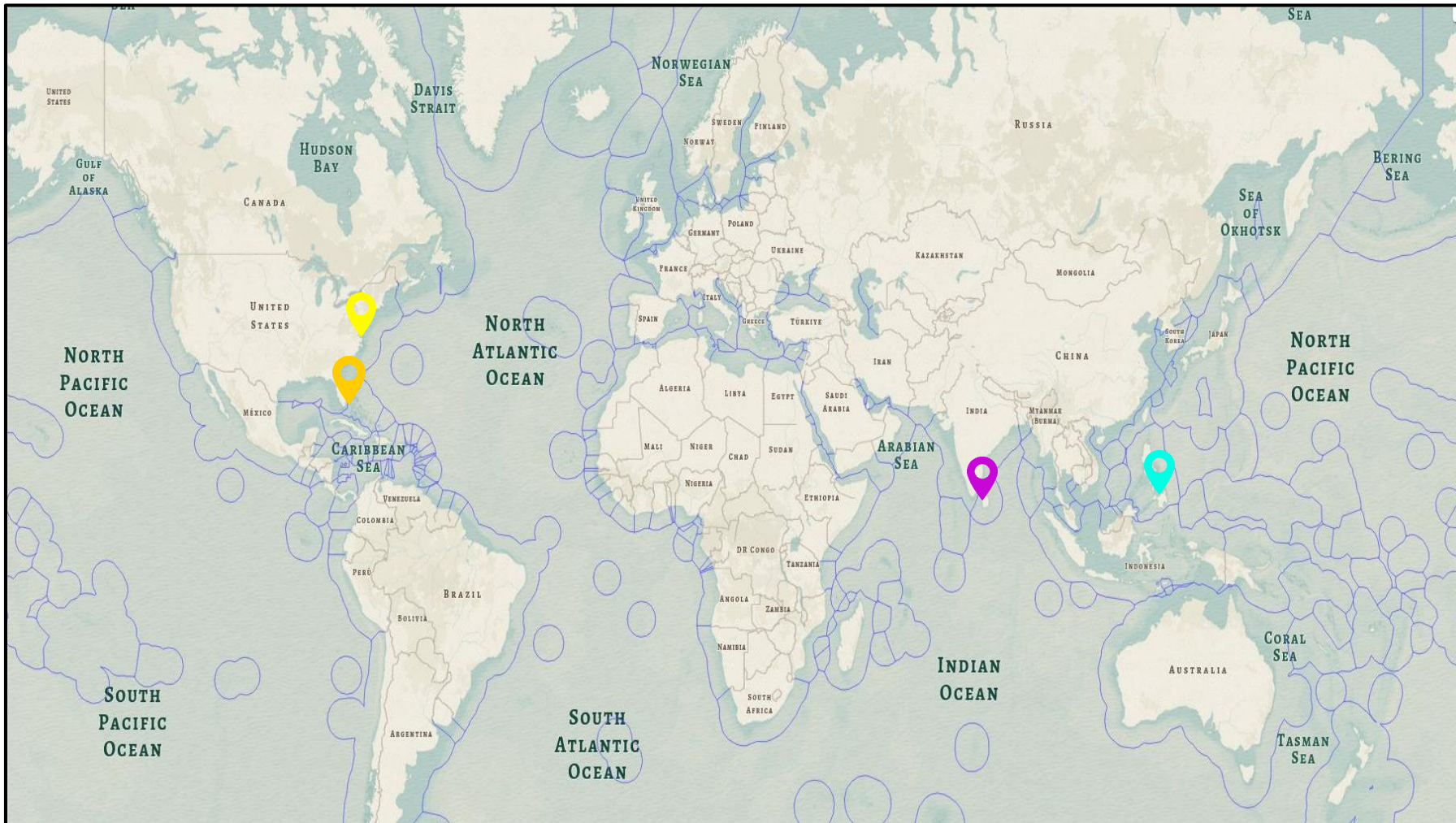
Tropical Cyclone "Sinlaku"



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



SUMMERY (MARITIME INCIDENT)



CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	01
Piracy & Armed Robbery	NIL
Smuggling	01
IUU Fishing	NIL
Narcotic	01
Irregular Human Migration	NIL
Marine Environment Pollution	NIL
Other	01
Total Incidents	04

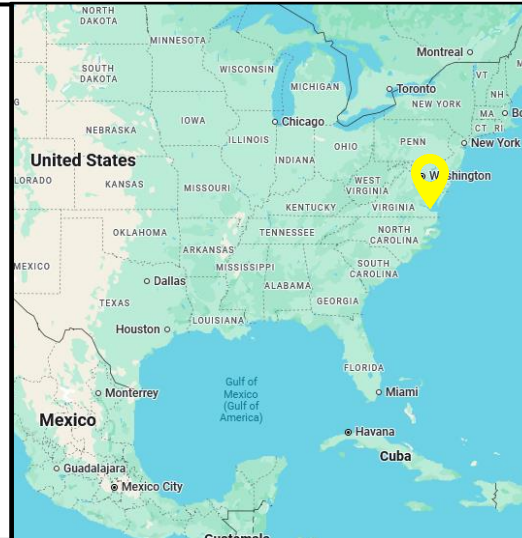
MARITIME INCIDENTS



14 Apr/ Fire Aboard USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Injures Three Sailors During Shipyard Maintenance / USA

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.14	USA	Norfolk Naval Shipyard	Fire/Folding/Explosion	USS Dwight D. Eisenhower	According to the Navy, the fire was quickly contained and extinguished by the ship's crew along with shipyard personnel.

A small fire on the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, a US Navy aircraft carrier undergoing maintenance at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, resulted in injuries to three sailors. The injured personnel received treatment from the ship's medical team and were subsequently returned to full duty. Specifics regarding the fire's origin and cause have not been disclosed, as investigations are ongoing.



Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/fire-aboard-uss-dwight-d-eisenhower-injures-three-sailors-during-shipyard-maintenance/>

SMUGGLING



17 Apr/ 6 PCG Personnel Nabbed for Alleged Cigarette Smuggling in Misor/ Philippines

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.17	Philippines	Misamis Oriental	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	Upon arrival, the operating team allegedly caught suspects loading boxes of cigarettes into a van. The operation also seized over 10,000 reams of cigarettes and the vehicle, which will be given to the Bureau of Customs.

At least six personnel from the Philippine Coast Guard and a civilian driver were arrested for allegedly smuggling cigarettes valued at approximately P8.2 million at a fish landing area in Barangay Población, Naawan, Misamis Oriental, on 17 Apr 26. The arrests followed an operation launched by the Misamis Oriental Maritime Police Station after receiving intelligence about illicit cigarette unloading in the area.



Source -: <https://www.gmanetwork.com/regional/tv/news/113759/6-pcg-personnel-nabbed-for-alleged-cigarette-smuggling-in-misor/story/>

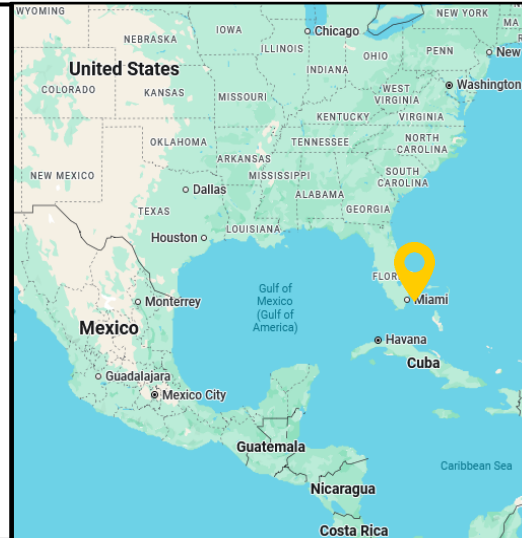
NARCOTIC



16 Apr/ Coast Guard Seizes \$28.7M Cocaine Haul in Miami Beach/ USA

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2026.04.16	USA	Miami Beach	Seizure of narcotics	U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Tampa	The operation was part of Operation Pacific Viper, aimed at targeting smuggling routes from Central and South America.

On 16 Apr 26, the crew of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Tampa offloaded about 3,825 pounds of cocaine worth over \$28.7 million at Base Miami Beach, seized during two interceptions in the Eastern Pacific Ocean. This amount of cocaine is sufficient to cause 1.4 million American fatalities.



Source -: <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/insight/coast-guard-seizes-28-7m-cocaine-haul-in-miami-beach/gm-GM749F9C66?gemSnapshotKey=GM749F9C66-snapshot-1&uxmode=ruby>

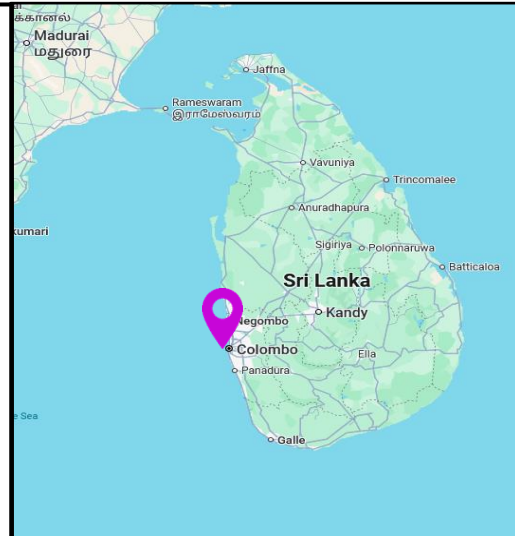
OTHER



17 Apr/ 238 Iranian Sailors Return From Sri Lanka After "Dena" Incident/ Sri Lanka

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUB CATEGORIES	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.04.17	Sri Lanka	-	Naval Activities	-	Sri Lankan authorities confirmed the return of 238 Iranian sailors to Iran, which includes 32 survivors from the attack on the destroyer "Dena."

Following an incident on March 4, where the Iranian destroyer "Dena" sank after being struck by U.S. submarine torpedoes, the majority of the crew was repatriated by Sri Lanka's Ministry of Defense. Additionally, a small number of sailors from a second accompanying vessel were transferred later. The Sri Lankan Navy recovered 87 bodies and treated 32 injured sailors in local hospitals.



Source -: <https://wanaen.com/238-iranian-sailors-return-from-sri-lanka-after-dena-incident-sri-lankan-authorities-announced-that-238-iranian-sailors-including-32-survivors-of-the-attack-on-the-destroyer/>



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