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
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ABSTRACT

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AIS	: Automatic Identification System
ASG	: Abu Sayyaf Group
Indomalphi	: Indonesia, Malaysia and Philippines
MCC	: Maritime Command Centre
TCA	: Trilateral Agreement Cooperation
TAP	: Trilateral Air Patrol
TMP	: Trilateral Maritime Patrol