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All 12 Crew Rescued From Fire Onboard Tanzania-flagged Vessel

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) was notified on 16 April at 12:50 pm of a fire onboard a Tanzania-flagged freighter, LAYAR ANGGUN 8 (LA8), in Singapore territorial waters off Pedra Branca.

2. All 12 crew have been safely recovered onto a Singapore Police Coast Guard craft and are on their way to Singapore.
3. A firefighting vessel from the Singapore Civil Defence Force and MPA patrol craft, including tugs, are en route to provide support.
4. There is no pollution sighted, and there is no immediate risk to navigational safety. MPA is issuing regular navigational broadcasts for passing vessels to keep clear of the vicinity of LA8.
5. MPA is investigating the incident.

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About the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA)

MPA was established on 2 February 1996 with the mission to develop Singapore as a premier global hub port and international maritime centre, and to advance and safeguard Singapore's strategic maritime interests. MPA is the driving force behind Singapore's port and maritime development, taking on the roles of port authority, maritime and port regulator and planner, international maritime centre champion, national maritime representative and a champion of digitalisation and decarbonisation efforts at regional and international fora such as at the International Maritime Organization. MPA partners industry, research community and other agencies to enhance safety, security and environmental protection in our waters, facilitate maritime and port operations and growth, expand the cluster of maritime ancillary services, and develops maritime digitalisation and decarbonisation policies and plans, R&D and manpower development. MPA is responsible for the overall development and growth of the maritime domain and Port of Singapore. In 2023, Singapore's annual vessel arrival tonnage crossed 3 billion Gross Tonnage and remains the world's busiest transshipment hub, with a total container throughput of 39.0 million 20-foot equivalent units (TEUs).

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