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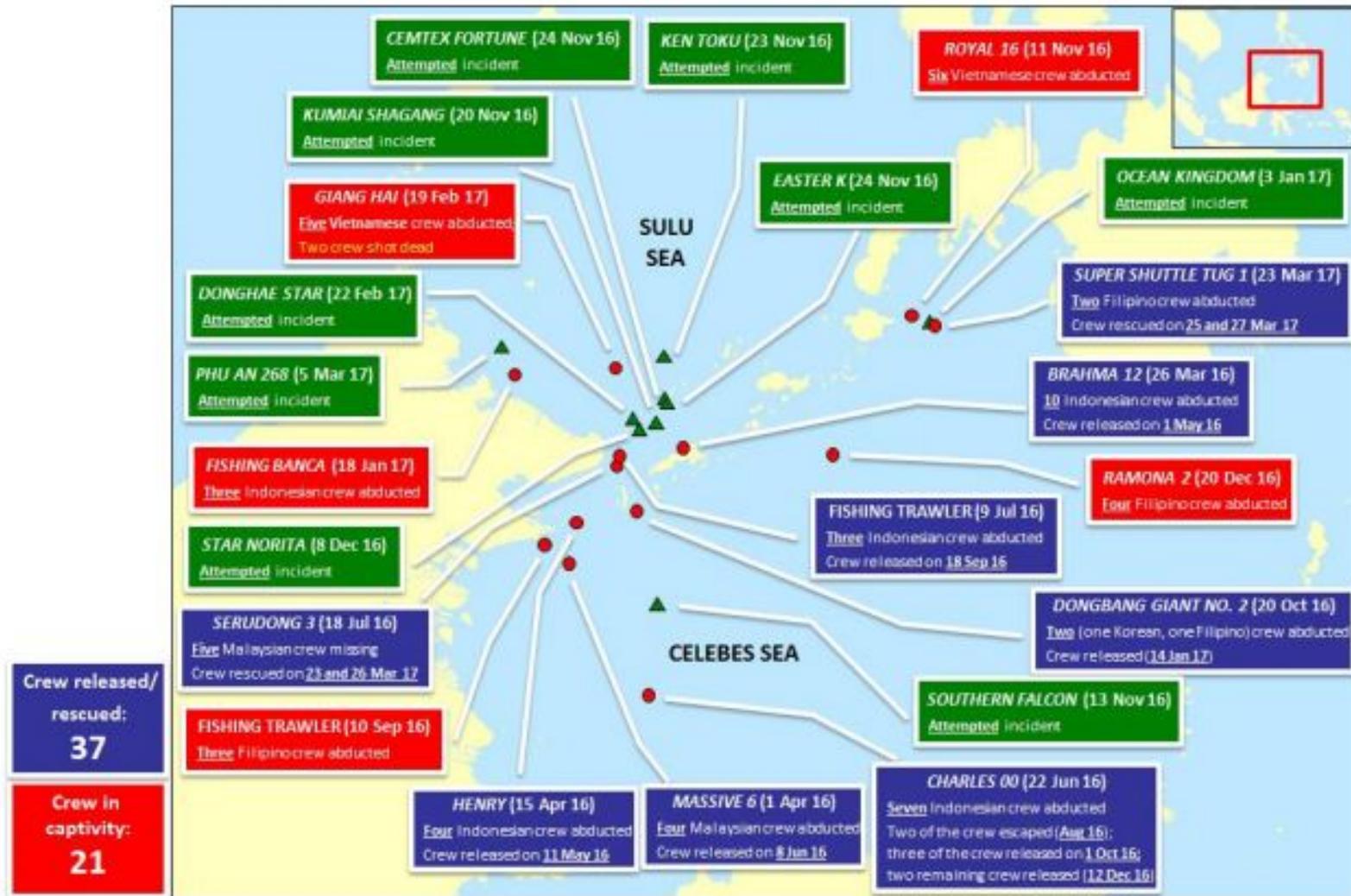
THE TRILATERAL COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT TO ADDRESS SECURITY ISSUES IN THE MARITIME AREAS OF COMMON CONCERN (TCA): A NEW EXAMPLE OF ASEAN MARITIME COOPERATION

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13 Incidents of Abduction of Crew & 9 Attempted Incidents (March 2016 – March 2017)



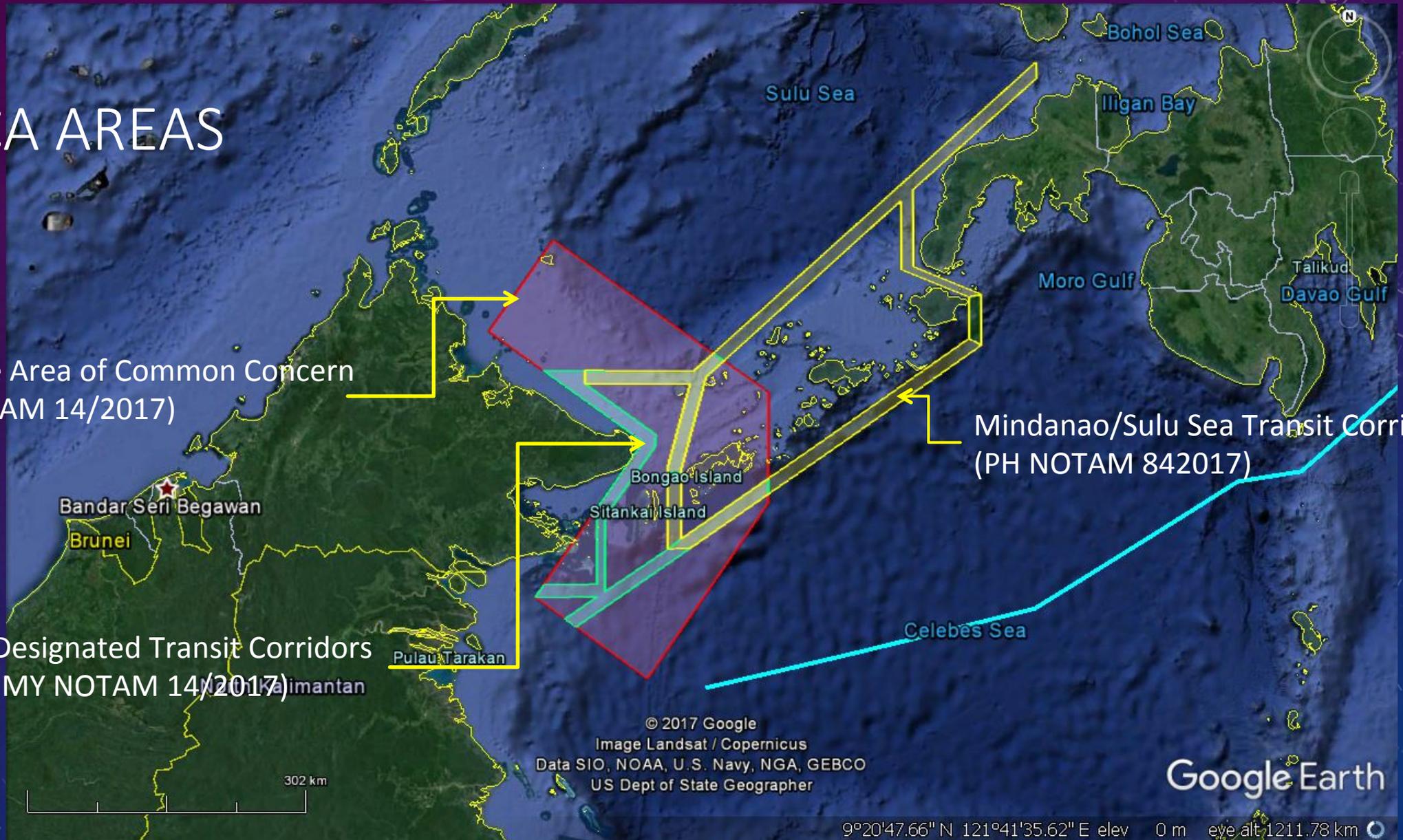
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TCA AREAS

Maritime Area of Common Concern
(MY NOTAM 14/2017)

Designated Transit Corridors
(MY NOTAM 14/2017)

Mindanao/Sulu Sea Transit Corridors
(PH NOTAM 842017)



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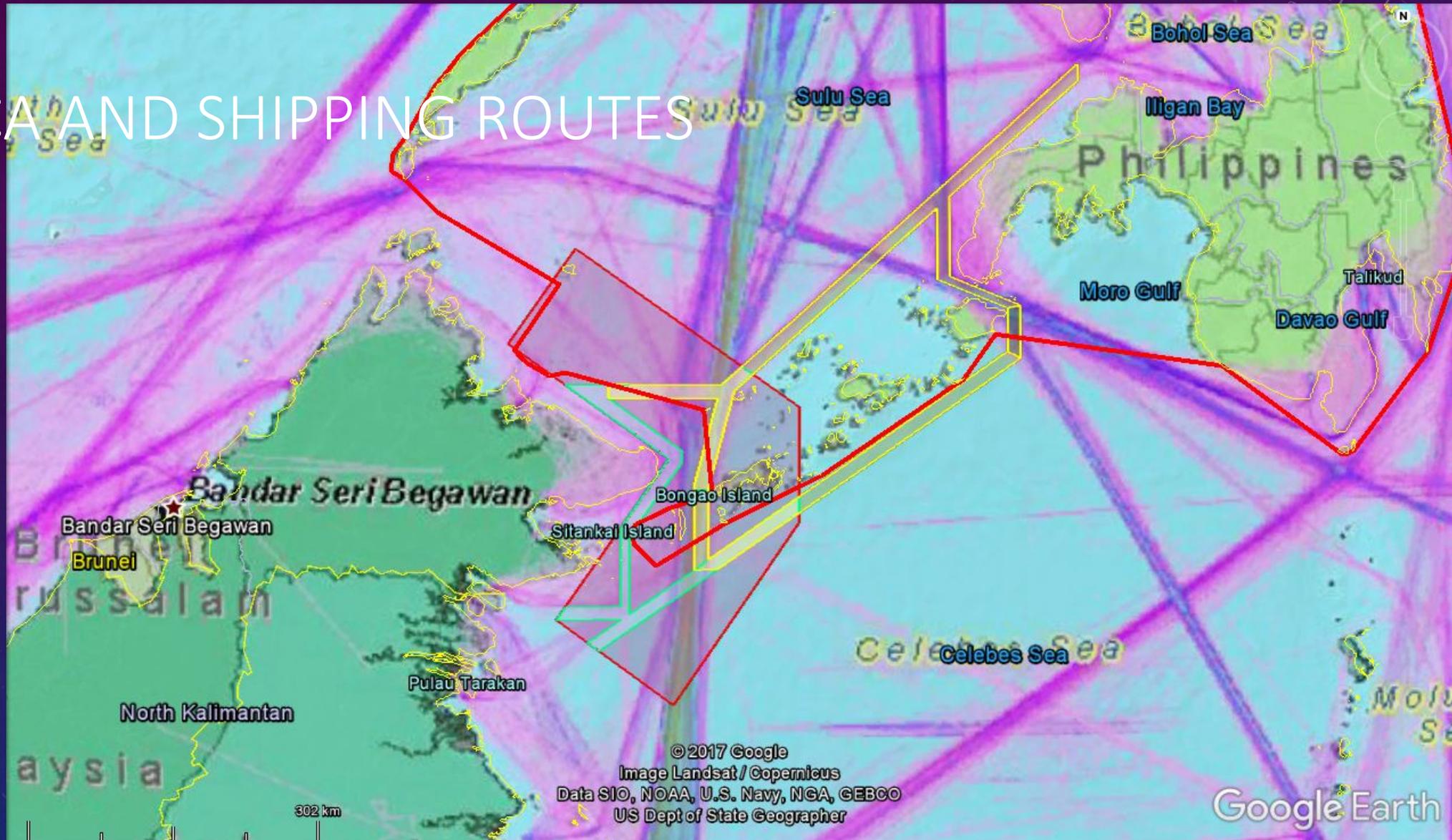
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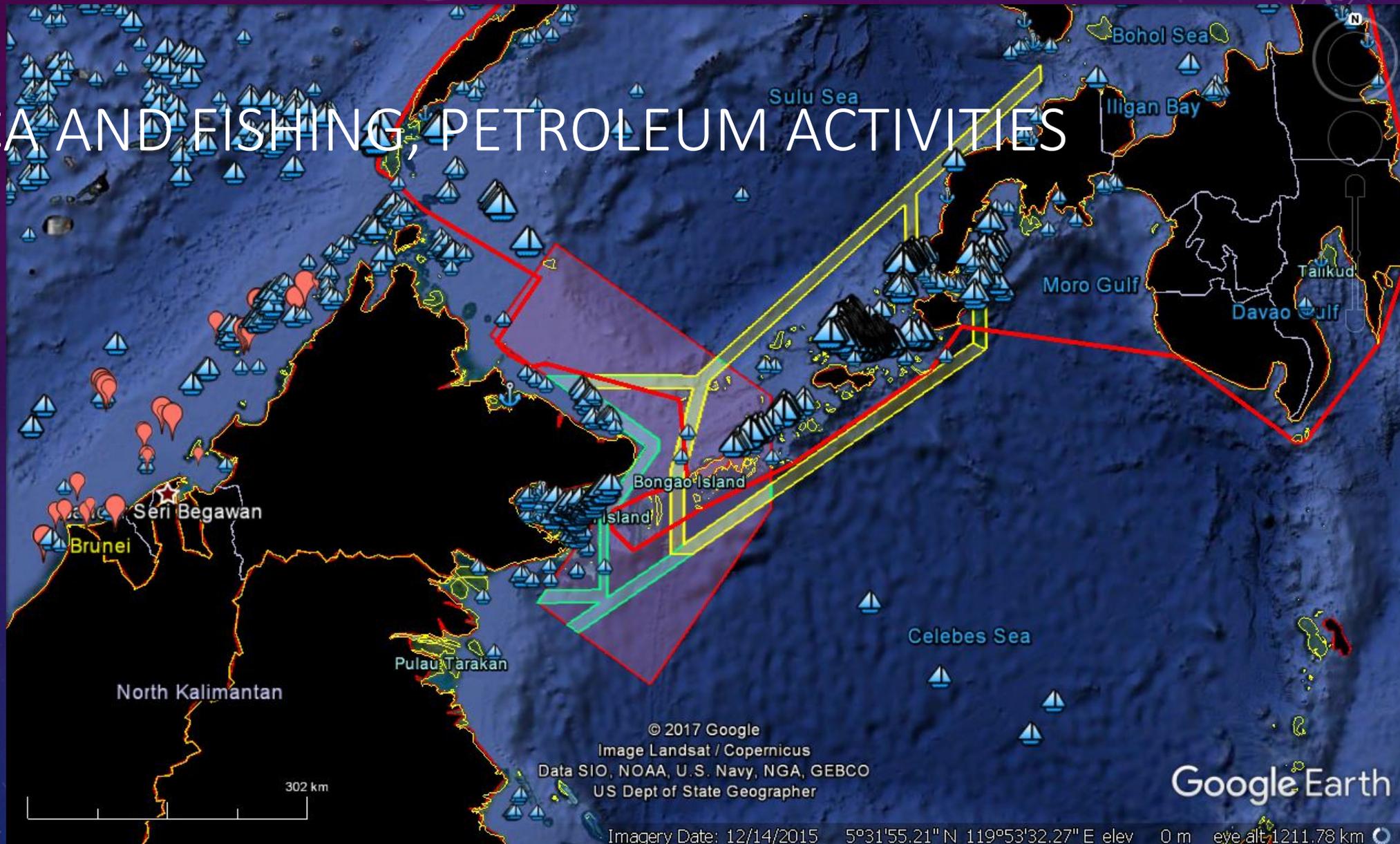
TCA COOPERATION MEASURES & RECENT PROGRESS

- Conduct of maritime patrols
- Immediate assistance for safety of people and ships in distress
- National focal points for sharing of information and intelligence
- Hotline of communications

TCA AND SHIPPING ROUTES



TCA AND FISHING, PETROLEUM ACTIVITIES

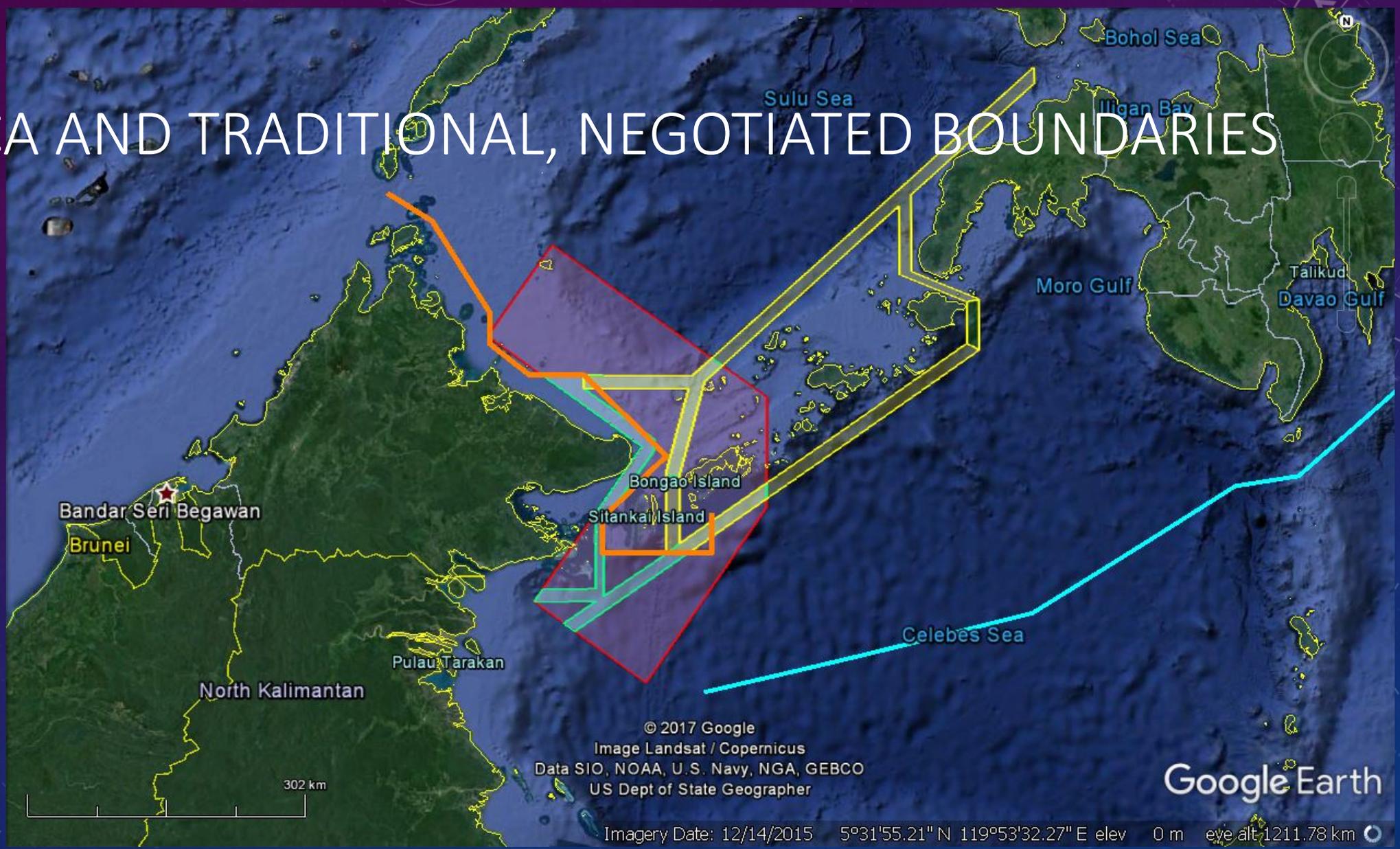


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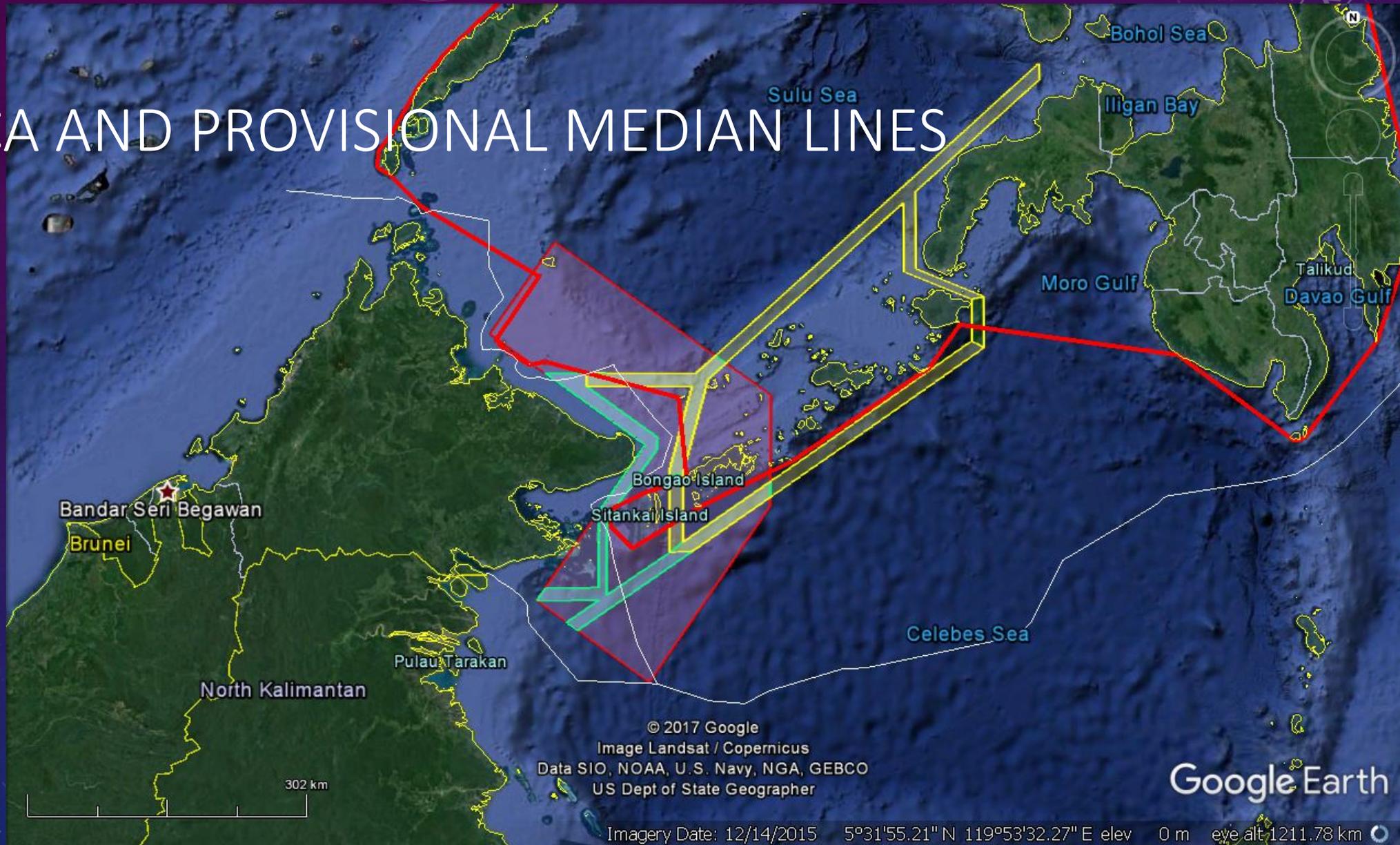
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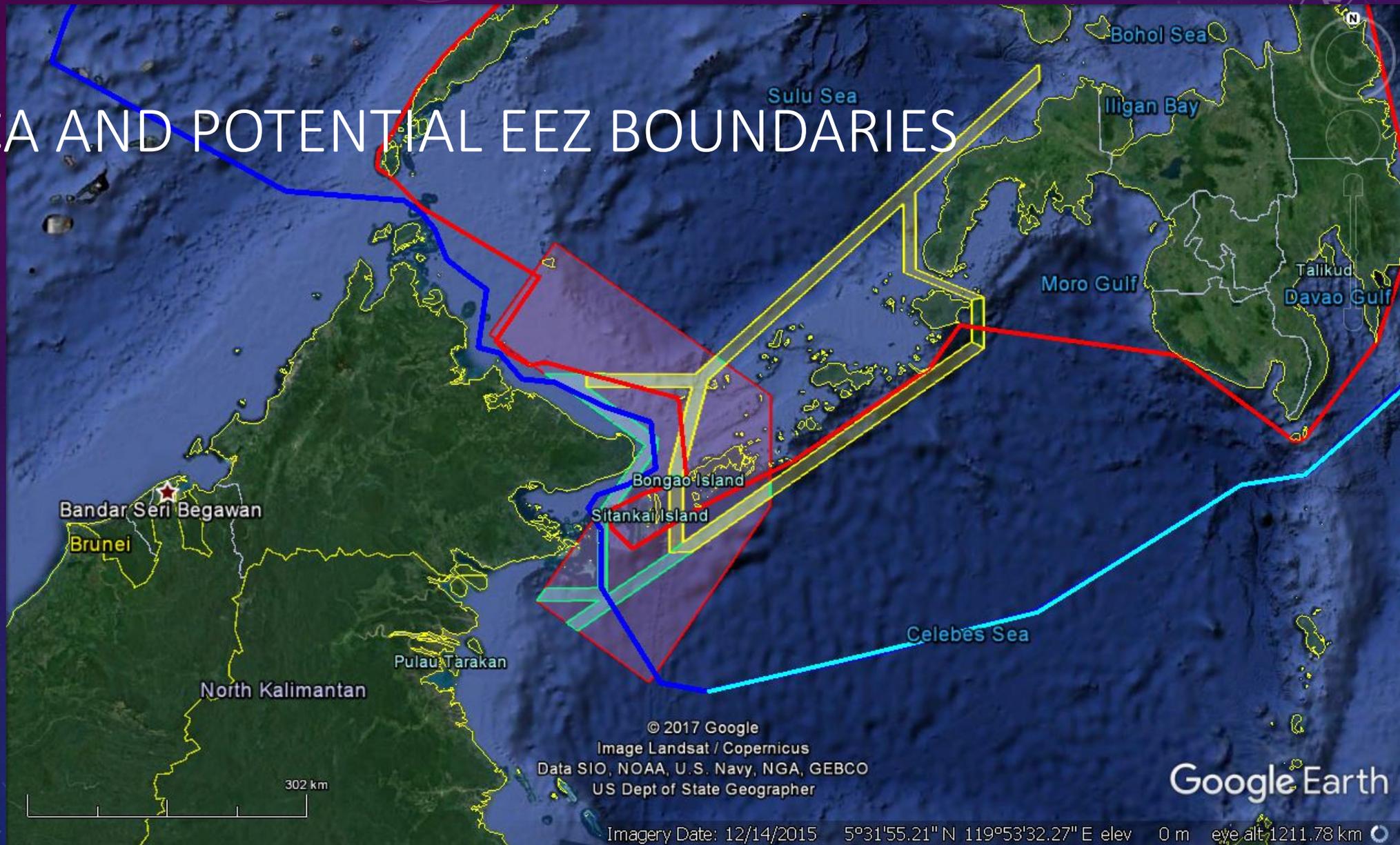
TCA AND TRADITIONAL, NEGOTIATED BOUNDARIES



TCA AND PROVISIONAL MEDIAN LINES



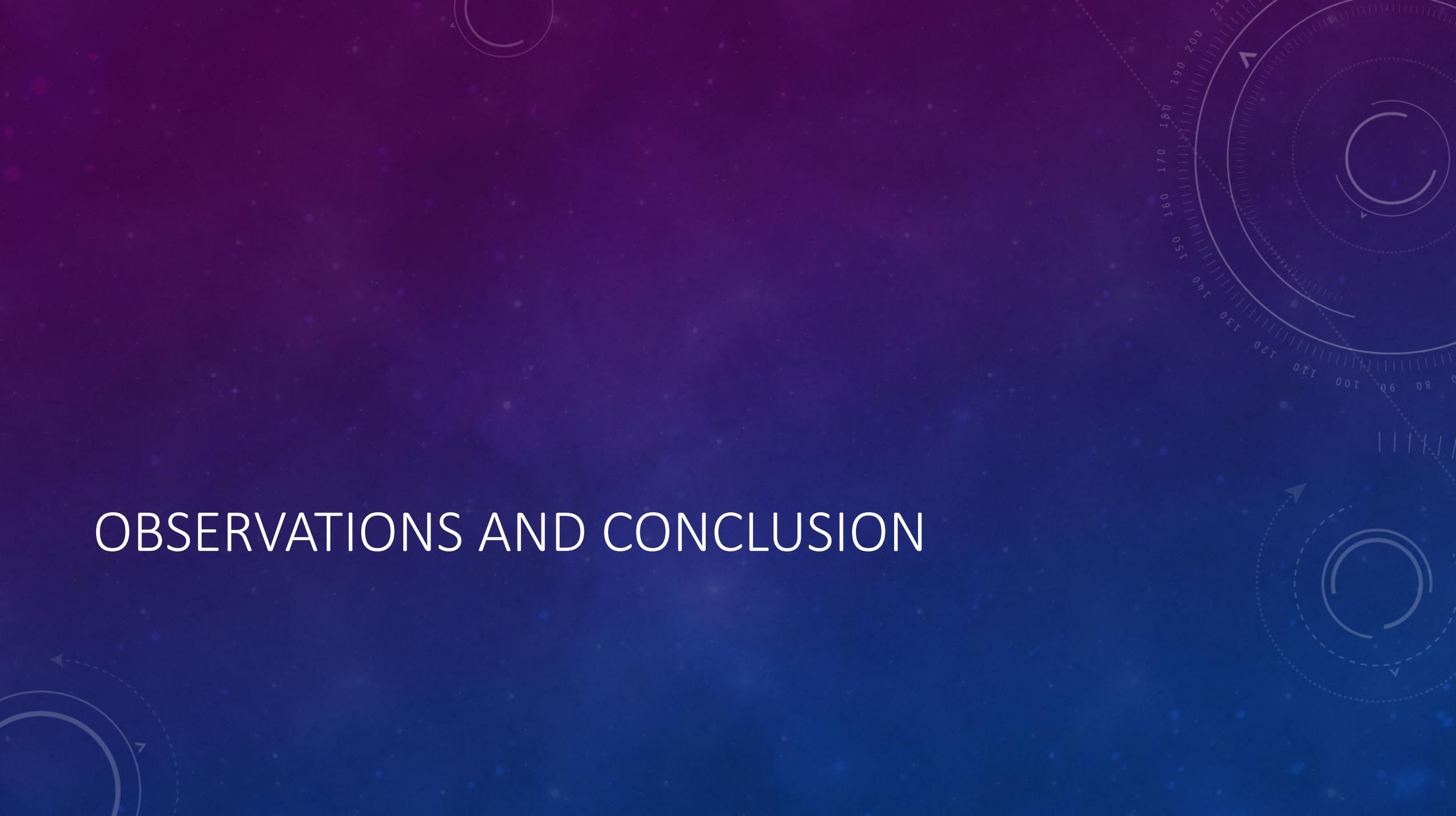
TCA AND POTENTIAL EEZ BOUNDARIES



COMPARISON WITH OTHER COOPERATION ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN ASEAN MEMBERS

- ASEAN MOU on Oil Spill Response (1994)
- Sulu-Sulawesi Oil Spill Response Network (1981)
- PH-RI Border Patrol and Border Crossing Agreement (1975)
- PH-MY Agreement on Anti-Smuggling Cooperation (1967)
- PH-MY Joint Patrol and Border Crossing Agreements (1999)
- RECAAP (2004)
- MY-RI-SG SOMS maritime security cooperation initiatives (2004)

OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSION

The background features a gradient from dark purple to blue, overlaid with a field of small white stars. On the right side, there are several technical diagrams: a large circular scale with numerical markings from 80 to 210, a smaller circular scale with markings from 100 to 140, and various dashed and solid lines with arrows indicating directions or paths.