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A Report That Cambodia Shot

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At Swedish Ship

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A gunboat, believed to be Cambodian, shot at a Swedish freighter in the Gulf of Siam on Wednesday, reports reaching Stockholm said yesterday. 14 MAR

The gunboat shot four salvos at the 12,000-ton Hirado belonging to the Swedish East Asia Shipping Co., but the ship escaped damage through evasive maneuvers, the reports said.

"If the investigation should confirm our information, this is an outrage against international justice which we must react strongly against," a Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

The Hirado was in international waters in the traditional shipping lane between Singapore and Bangkok when it was shot at 75 miles southwest of Poulo Panjang Island, in the same general area where the U.S. freighter Mayaguez was seized, the ship owners said.

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