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**PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY
AGAINST SHIPS**

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD

1 January – 30 September 2016

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INTRODUCTION

The ICC International Maritime Bureau (IMB) is a specialised division of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). The IMB is a non-profit making organisation, established in 1981 to act as a focal point in the fight against all types of maritime crime and malpractice. The International Maritime Organization (IMO) in its resolution A 504 (XII) (5) and (9) adopted on 20 November 1981, has *inter alia*, urged governments, all interests and organization to co-operate and exchange information with each other and the IMB with a view to maintaining and developing a coordinated action in combating maritime fraud.

This report is an analysis of world-wide reported incidents of piracy and armed robbery against ships from 1 January to 30 September 2016.

Outrage in the shipping industry at the alarming growth in piracy prompted the creation of the IMB Piracy Reporting Centre (PRC) in October 1992 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The key services of the PRC are:

- Issuing daily status reports on piracy and armed robbery to ships via broadcasts on the Inmarsat-C SafetyNET service
- Reporting piracy and armed robbery at sea incidents to law enforcement and the IMO
- Helping local law enforcement apprehend pirates and assist in bringing them to justice
- Assisting shipowners whose vessels have been attacked or hijacked
- Assisting crewmembers whose vessels have been attacked
- Providing updates on pirate activity via the Internet
- Publishing comprehensive quarterly and annual reports detailing piracy statistics

The services of the PRC are provided free of charge to all ships irrespective of their ownership or flag.

The IMB also locates ships seized by pirates and recovers stolen cargos on a chargeable basis.

The IMB Piracy Reporting Centre is located at:

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Piracy report on the Internet: The IMB posts updates of attacks on the Internet at www.icc-ccs.org. By posting the information on the internet, ship owners and authorities ashore as well as ships at sea can access these updates regularly and make informed decisions on the risks associated with certain sea areas.

Sometimes, incidents occurring in the previous quarter(s) are reported to the Centre after a time lag. This late reporting of incidents results in changes to the figures in the tables. As of 30 September 2016, the Centre received reports of 141 incidents but may receive details of more in the coming months relating to the same period.

Because of the debate concerning Malacca Straits, narrations of incidents in this area are shown as separate categories.

Attacks in the Gulf of Aden and off the east coast of Somalia have been grouped together in the narrations for easy reading.

DEFINITIONS OF PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

Piracy is defined in Article 101 of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) and Armed Robbery defined by the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) in its 26th Assembly session as Resolution A.1025 (26).

Article 101 of UNCLOS defines Piracy as:

Definition of Piracy consists of any of the following acts:

a) any illegal acts of violence or detention, or any act of depredation, committed for private ends by the crew or the passengers of a private ship or a private aircraft, and directed-

(i) on the high seas, against another ship or aircraft, or against persons or property on board such ship or aircraft;

(ii) against a ship, aircraft, persons or property in a place outside the jurisdiction of any State;

(b) any act of voluntary participation in the operation of a ship or of an aircraft with knowledge of facts making it a pirate ship or aircraft;

(c) any act of inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described in subparagraph (a) or (b).

The IMO defines Armed Robbery in Resolution A.1025 (26) “Code of Practice for the Investigation of Crimes of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships” as:

Armed robbery against ships” means any of the following acts:

.1 any illegal act of violence or detention or any act of depredation, or threat thereof, other than an act of piracy, committed for private ends and directed against a ship or against persons or property on board such a ship, within a State’s internal waters, archipelagic waters and territorial sea;

.2 any act of inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described above

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- Assuranceforeningen Skuld
- Britannia Steam Ship Insurance Association Limited
- Japan P&I Club
- Just Ships
- Standard Steam Ship Mutual P&I Association
- Steam Ship Insurance Management Services Limited
- Taipei Economic & Cultural Office in Malaysia
- The North of England P&I Association Ltd
- Tsakos Shipping

The PRC is additionally non-financially supported by:

- ExactEarth (www.exactearth.com)
- Vesseltracker (www.vesseltracker.com)

TABLE 1: Locations of ACTUAL and ATTEMPTED attacks, January – September 2011 – 2016

| | Locations | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|
| S E ASIA | Indonesia | 30 | 51 | 68 | 72 | 86 | 33 |
| | Malacca Straits | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | |
| | Malaysia | 14 | 8 | 5 | 15 | 11 | 5 |
| | Myanmar (Burma) | 1 | | | | | |
| | Philippines | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 5 |
| | Singapore Straits | 7 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 1 |
| | Thailand | | | | 2 | 1 | |
| | FAR | China | 1 | | | | |
| EAST | South China Sea | 13 | 1 | 4 | | | |
| | Vietnam | 6 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 19 | 6 |
| INDIAN SUB | Bangladesh | 7 | 9 | 10 | 15 | 11 | 3 |
| CONTINENT | India | 6 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 7 | 14 |
| AMERICAS | Brazil | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| | Colombia | 3 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| | Costa Rica | 3 | 1 | | | | |
| | Ecuador | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| | Guyana | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 |
| | Haiti | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | 2 |
| | Peru | 1 | 2 | 4 | | | 7 |
| | Venezuela | 2 | | | | 1 | 3 |
| | AFRICA | Algeria | | 1 | | | |
| Angola | | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Benin | | 19 | 2 | | | | |
| Cameroon | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Democratic Republic of Congo | | 4 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Egypt | | 2 | 6 | 7 | | | |
| Gabon | | | | 2 | 1 | | |
| Ghana | | 2 | 2 | | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Guinea | | 5 | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 3 |
| *Gulf of Aden | | 32 | 13 | 4 | 4 | | 1 |
| Ivory Coast | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Kenya | | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | 2 |
| Liberia | | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Mauritania | | | | 1 | | | |
| Morocco | | | | | | | 1 |
| Mozambique | | | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Nigeria | | 6 | 21 | 29 | 13 | 12 | 31 |
| *Red Sea | | 36 | 13 | 2 | 3 | | |
| Sierra Leone | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| *Somalia | | 130 | 44 | 4 | 3 | | |
| South Africa | | | | | | 1 | |
| Tanzania | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| The Congo | 3 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 5 | |
| Togo | 5 | 11 | 7 | 2 | | 1 | |
| REST OF | Mediterranean Sea | 1 | | | | | |
| WORLD | Oman | 1 | | | 2 | | |

| | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Papua New Guinea | | | | | 1 | |
| Yemen | | | | | | 1 |
| Subtotal for nine months | 352 | 233 | 188 | 178 | 190 | 141 |
| Total at year end | 439 | 297 | 264 | 245 | 246 | |

All incidents with * above are attributed to Somali pirates

CHART A: The following five locations contributed to 65% of the total attacks reported in the period January – September 2016.

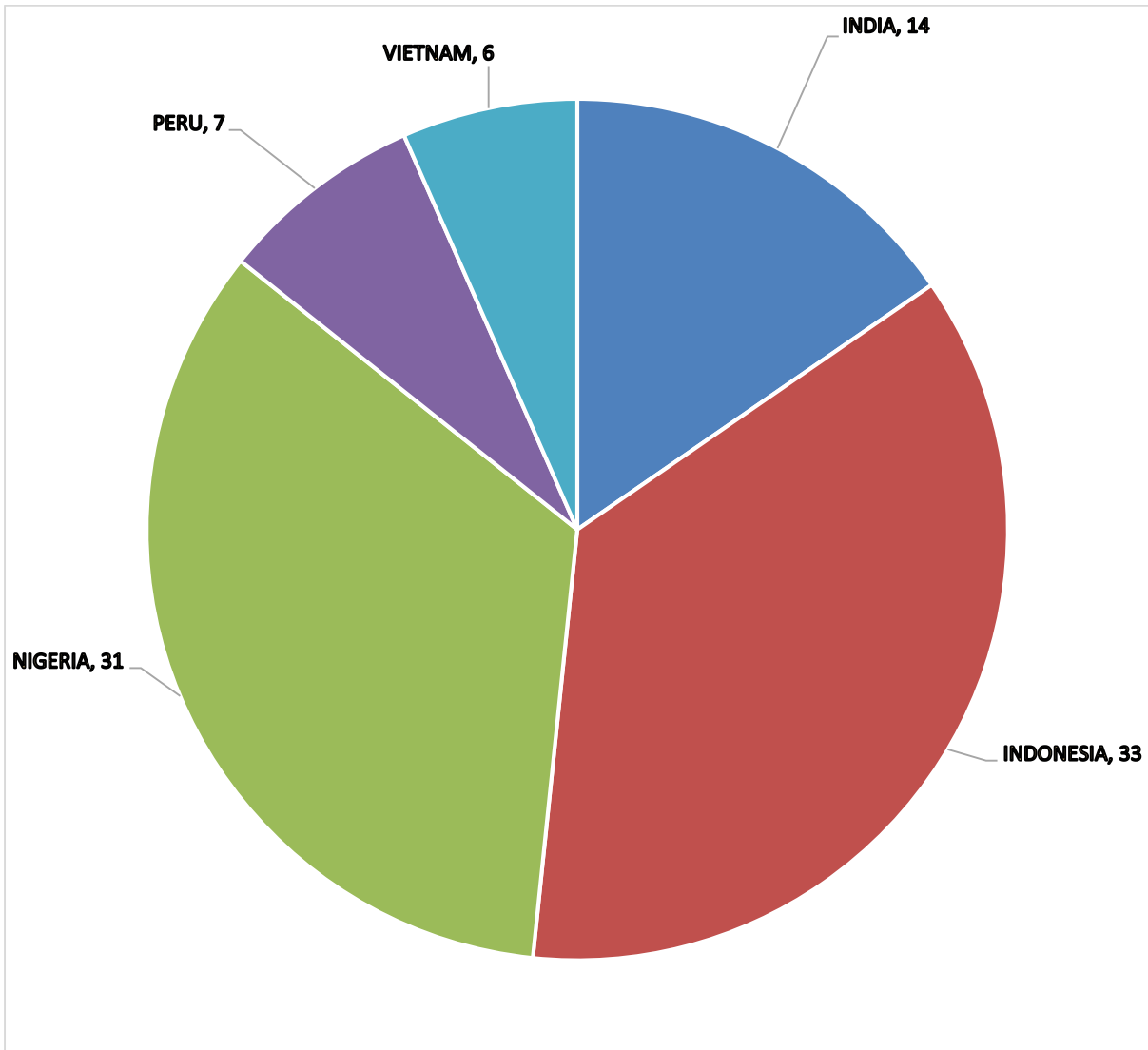


CHART B: Monthly comparison of incidents during January – September 2016

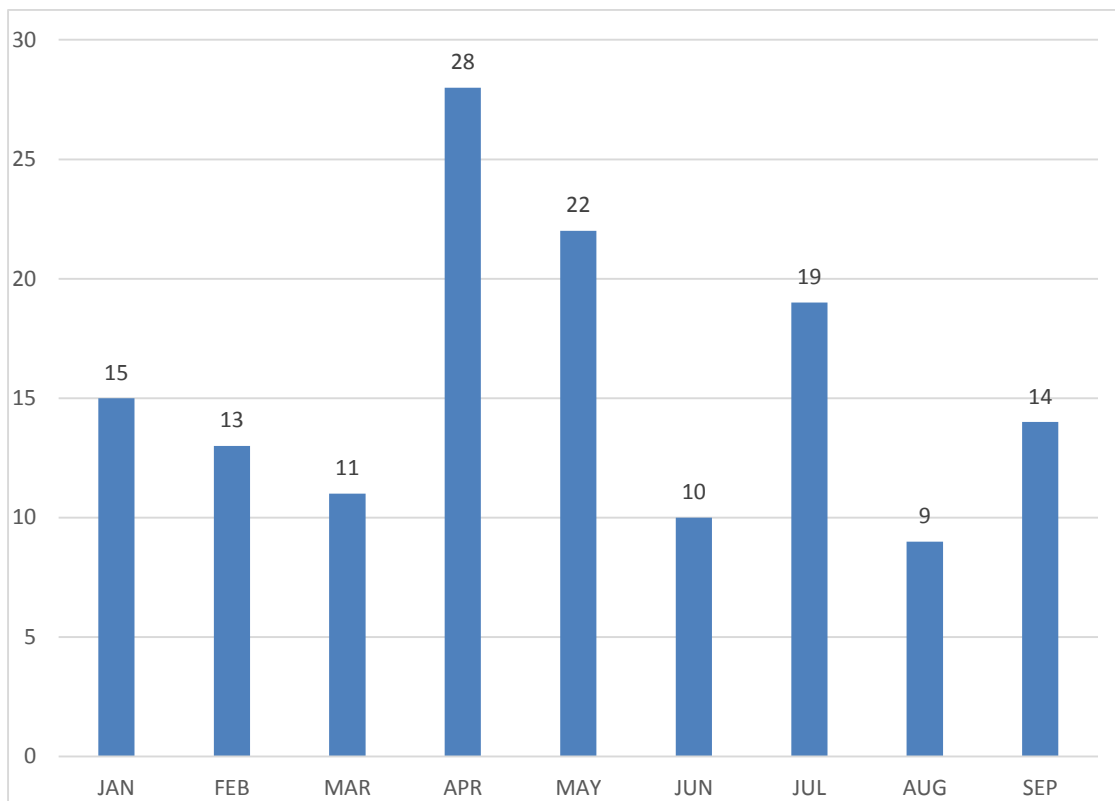


CHART C: Total incidents as per Regions of the world January – September 2016

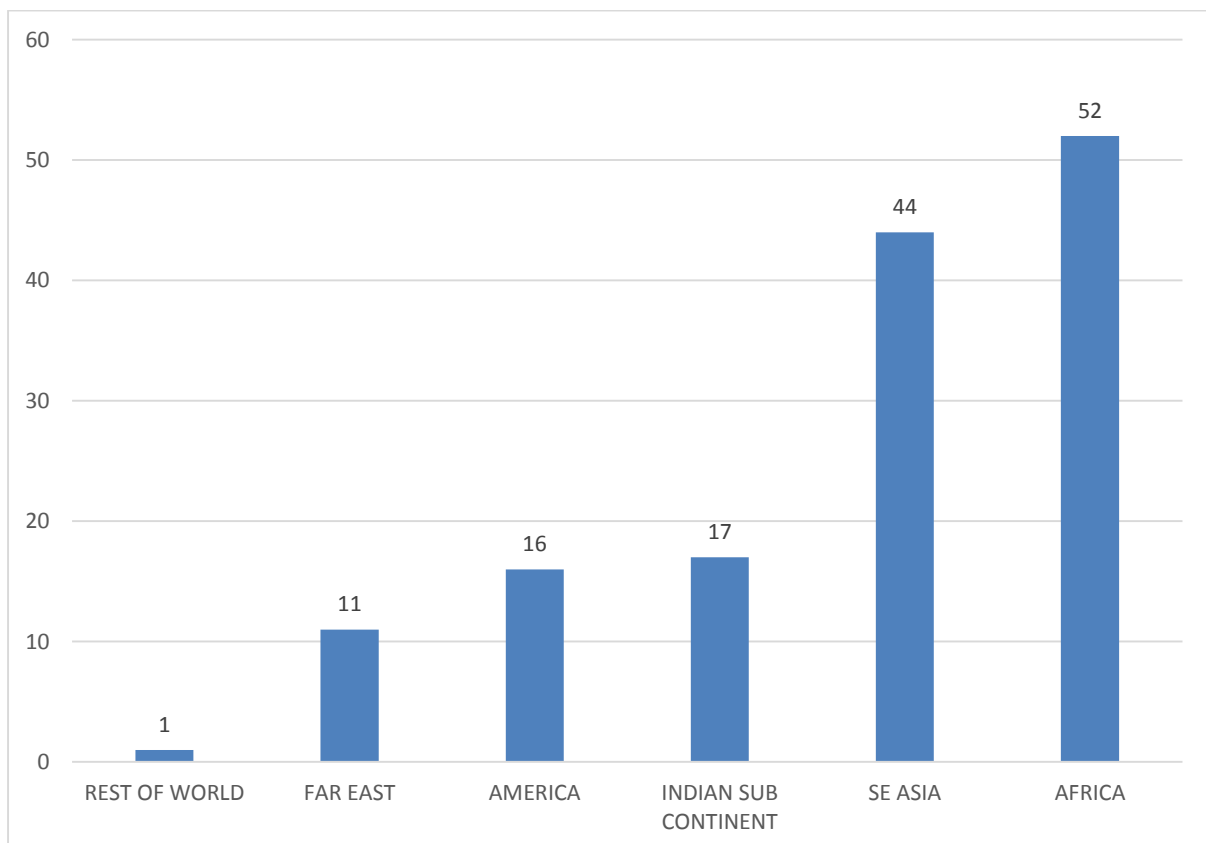


TABLE 2: ACTUAL and ATTEMPTED attacks by location, January – September 2016

| | Location | ACTUAL ATTACKS | | ATTEMPTED ATTACKS | |
|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------|-------------------|-----------|
| | | Boarded | Hijacked | Fired Upon | Attempted |
| S E ASIA | Indonesia | 29 | 1 | | 3 |
| | Malaysia | 4 | 1 | | |
| | Philippines | 3 | 1 | | 1 |
| | Singapore Straits | | | | 1 |
| FAR EAST | China | 5 | | | |
| | Vietnam | 6 | | | |
| INDIAN | Bangladesh | 2 | | | 1 |
| SUB CONT | India | 14 | | | |
| AMERICAS | Colombia | 3 | | | |
| | Guyana | 1 | | | |
| | Haiti | 2 | | | |
| | Peru | 6 | | | 1 |
| | Venezuela | 3 | | | |
| AFRICA | Angola | 1 | | | |
| | Dem. Rep. of Congo | 2 | | | |
| | Ghana | 2 | | | |
| | Guinea | 3 | | | |
| | Gulf of Aden | | | | 1 |
| | Ivory Coast | | 1 | | |
| | Kenya | 2 | | | |
| | Morocco | | | | 1 |
| | Mozambique | 1 | | | |
| | Nigeria | 15 | 1 | 9 | 6 |
| | South Africa | 1 | | | |
| | The Congo | 5 | | | |
| | Togo | 1 | | | |
| REST OF WORLD | Yemen | | | 1 | |
| Sub total | | 111 | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| Total | | 141 | | | |

TABLE 3: Ports and anchorages, with three or more reported incidents, January – September 2016

| Location | Country | 01.01.2016 – 30.09.2016 |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Batam / Batu Ampar | Indonesia | 5 |
| Callao | Peru | 6 |
| Chittagong | Bangladesh | 3 |
| Conakry | Ivory Coast | 3 |
| Dumai | Indonesia | 5 |
| Jakarta / Tg. Priok | Indonesia | 5 |
| Kandla | India | 8 |
| Lagos | Nigeria | 4 |
| Pointe Noire | The Congo | 5 |
| Samarinda | Indonesia | 4 |

| | | |
|------------------|---------|-----------|
| Visakhapatnam | India | 3 |
| Vung Tau | Vietnam | 4 |
| Sub Total | | 55 |

TABLE 4: Status of ships during ACTUAL attacks, January – September 2016

| LOCATION | | BERTHED | ANCHORED | STEAMING |
|------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| S E ASIA | Indonesia | 4 | 21 | 5 |
| | Malaysia | | | 5 |
| | Philippines | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| FAR EAST | China | 2 | 3 | |
| | Vietnam | | 6 | |
| INDIAN | Bangladesh | | 2 | |
| SUB CONT | India | 3 | 10 | 1 |
| AMERICAS | Colombia | | 3 | |
| | Guyana | | 1 | |
| | Haiti | | 2 | |
| | Peru | | 6 | |
| | Venezuela | | 3 | |
| AFRICA | Angola | | 1 | |
| | Dem. Rep. of Congo | | 2 | |
| | Ghana | 1 | 1 | |
| | Guinea | | 3 | |
| | Ivory Coast | | | 1 |
| | Kenya | 2 | | |
| | Mozambique | 1 | | |
| | Nigeria | 4 | | 12 |
| | South Africa | 1 | | |
| | The Congo | | 5 | |
| | Togo | | 1 | |
| Sub Total | | 20 | 71 | 25 |
| Total | | | 116 | |

TABLE 5: Status of ships during ATTEMPTED attacks, January – September 2016

| LOCATION | | BERTHED | ANCHORED | STEAMING |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| S E ASIA | Indonesia | | 3 | |
| | Philippines | | | 1 |
| | Singapore Straits | | | 1 |
| INDIAN SUB CONT. | Bangladesh | | 1 | |
| AMERICAS | Peru | | 1 | |
| AFRICA | Gulf of Aden | | | 1 |
| | Morocco | 1 | | |
| | Nigeria | | | 15 |
| REST OF WORLD | Yemen | | | 1 |
| Sub Total | | 1 | 5 | 19 |
| Total | | | 25 | |

TABLE 6: Types of arms used during attacks, January – September 2011 – 2016

| Types of Arms | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Guns | 202 | 93 | 59 | 48 | 29 | 40 |
| Knives | 51 | 56 | 55 | 55 | 73 | 30 |
| Not stated | 95 | 79 | 72 | 71 | 82 | 69 |
| Other weapons | 4 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 |
| Subtotal: | 352 | 233 | 188 | 178 | 190 | 141 |
| Total at year end | 439 | 297 | 264 | 245 | 246 | |

TABLE 7: Comparison of the type of attacks, January – September 2011 – 2016

| Category | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Attempted | 89 | 58 | 21 | 27 | 21 | 15 |
| Boarded | 138 | 125 | 140 | 124 | 154 | 111 |
| Fired upon | 90 | 26 | 17 | 10 | - | 10 |
| Hijack | 35 | 24 | 10 | 17 | 15 | 5 |
| Subtotal: | 352 | 233 | 188 | 178 | 190 | 141 |
| Total at year end | 439 | 297 | 264 | 245 | 246 | |

TABLE 8: Types of violence to crew, January – September 2011 – 2016

| Types of violence | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Assaulted | 6 | 2 | - | 1 | 14 | 5 |
| Hostage | 619 | 458 | 266 | 369 | 266 | 110 |
| Injured | 41 | 18 | 20 | 10 | 13 | 6 |
| Kidnap | 6 | 7 | 34 | 5 | 10 | 49 |
| Killed | 8 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | - |
| Missing | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| Threatened | 23 | 12 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| Subtotal: | 703 | 503 | 330 | 397 | 309 | 175 |
| Total at year end | 895 | 662 | 373 | 479 | 246 | |

TABLE 9: Type of violence to crew by location, January – September 2016

| Location | Assaulted | Hostage | Injured | Kidnap | Killed | Threatened |
|------------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|
| SE ASIA | | | | | | |
| Indonesia | 3 | 34 | | | | 2 |
| Malaysia | | 26 | 2 | 8 | | |
| Philippines | | | | 10 | | 1 |
| AMERICAS | | | | | | |
| Haiti | | | | | | 1 |
| Peru | | 1 | | | | |
| AFRICA | | | | | | |
| Guinea | 2 | 20 | 1 | | | |
| Ivory Coast | | 16 | | 2 | | |
| Kenya | | | | | | 1 |
| Nigeria | | 13 | 3 | 29 | | |
| Sub total | 5 | 110 | 6 | 49 | - | 5 |
| Total | 175 | | | | | |

TABLE 10: Types of arms used by geographical location, January – September 2016

| LOCATIONS | | Guns | Knives | Other | Not Stated |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|
| S E ASIA | Indonesia | 3 | 12 | | 18 |
| | Malacca Straits | | | | |
| | Malaysia | 3 | | 1 | 1 |
| | Philippines | 1 | 1 | | 3 |
| | Singapore Straits | | 1 | | |
| | Thailand | | | | |
| FAR EAST | China | | | | 5 |
| | Vietnam | 1 | 1 | | 4 |
| INDIAN | Bangladesh | | 1 | | 2 |
| SUB CONT | India | | 2 | | 12 |
| AMERICAS | Colombia | 1 | | | 2 |
| | Guyana | | 1 | | |
| | Haiti | | 1 | | 1 |
| | Peru | 1 | 1 | | 5 |
| | Venezuela | | | 1 | 2 |
| AFRICA | Angola | | 1 | | |
| | Dem. Rep. of Congo | | 2 | | |
| | Ghana | | 1 | | 1 |
| | Guinea | 3 | | | |
| | Gulf of Aden | | | | 1 |
| | Ivory Coast | 1 | | | |
| | Kenya | | 1 | | 1 |
| | Liberia | | | | |
| | Morocco | | | | 1 |
| | Mozambique | | 1 | | |
| | Nigeria | 25 | 2 | | 4 |
| | South Africa | | | | 1 |
| | The Congo | | 1 | | 4 |
| | Togo | | | | 1 |
| REST OF WORLD | Yemen | 1 | | | |
| Sub total | | 40 | 30 | 2 | 69 |
| Total | | 141 | | | |

TABLE 11: Types of ships attacked, January – September 2011 – 2016

| Type | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Bulk Carrier | 78 | 49 | 41 | 34 | 65 | 36 |
| Cable Ship | | | | | 1 | |
| Container | 50 | 33 | 22 | 13 | 22 | 9 |
| Dhow | 1 | 5 | 1 | | | |
| Diving Support Vessel | 1 | | | | | |
| Dredger | | | | | | 1 |
| General Cargo | 29 | 11 | 15 | 14 | 10 | 5 |
| Guard Vessel | | 1 | | | | |
| Heavy Lift Vessel | | | | | | 3 |

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|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Heavy Load Carrier | 1 | | | | | |
| Hopper Dredger | | | | | 1 | |
| Landing Craft | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Livestock Carrier | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Offshore Processing Ship | | | | 1 | | |
| Offshore Support Vessel | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Ore Carrier | | | | | | 1 |
| Passenger Ship / Boat | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Pipe Lay Barge | | | | | 1 | 4 |
| Pipe Layer Crane Vessel | | 1 | | | | |
| Refrigerated Ship | 3 | 2 | 2 | | 2 | |
| Research Ship | | 1 | | 1 | | 2 |
| Research Vessel (Naval Auxiliary) | | 1 | | | | |
| RO-RO | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | |
| Seismographic Research Ship | 1 | | | | | |
| Supply Ship | 1 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Tanker Asphalt / Bitumen | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 1 |
| Tanker Bunkering | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | |
| Tanker Chem / Product | 83 | 59 | 55 | 66 | 51 | 44 |
| Tanker Crude Oil | 50 | 26 | 22 | 21 | 15 | 11 |
| Tanker FPSO / FSO | | | | | 2 | |
| Tanker LNG | | 2 | | | | 1 |
| Tanker LPG | 5 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 5 |
| Trawler/Fishing | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | |
| Offshore Tug / Tug & Barge | 24 | 18 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 12 |
| Vehicle Carrier | 7 | | | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Water barge | | | | 1 | | |
| Wood Chips Carrier | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | |
| Yacht | 4 | | | | 1 | |
| Not stated | 1 | | | | | |
| Subtotal: | 352 | 233 | 188 | 178 | 190 | 141 |
| Total at year end | 439 | 297 | 264 | 245 | 246 | |

CHART D: Types of ships attacked, January – September 2016

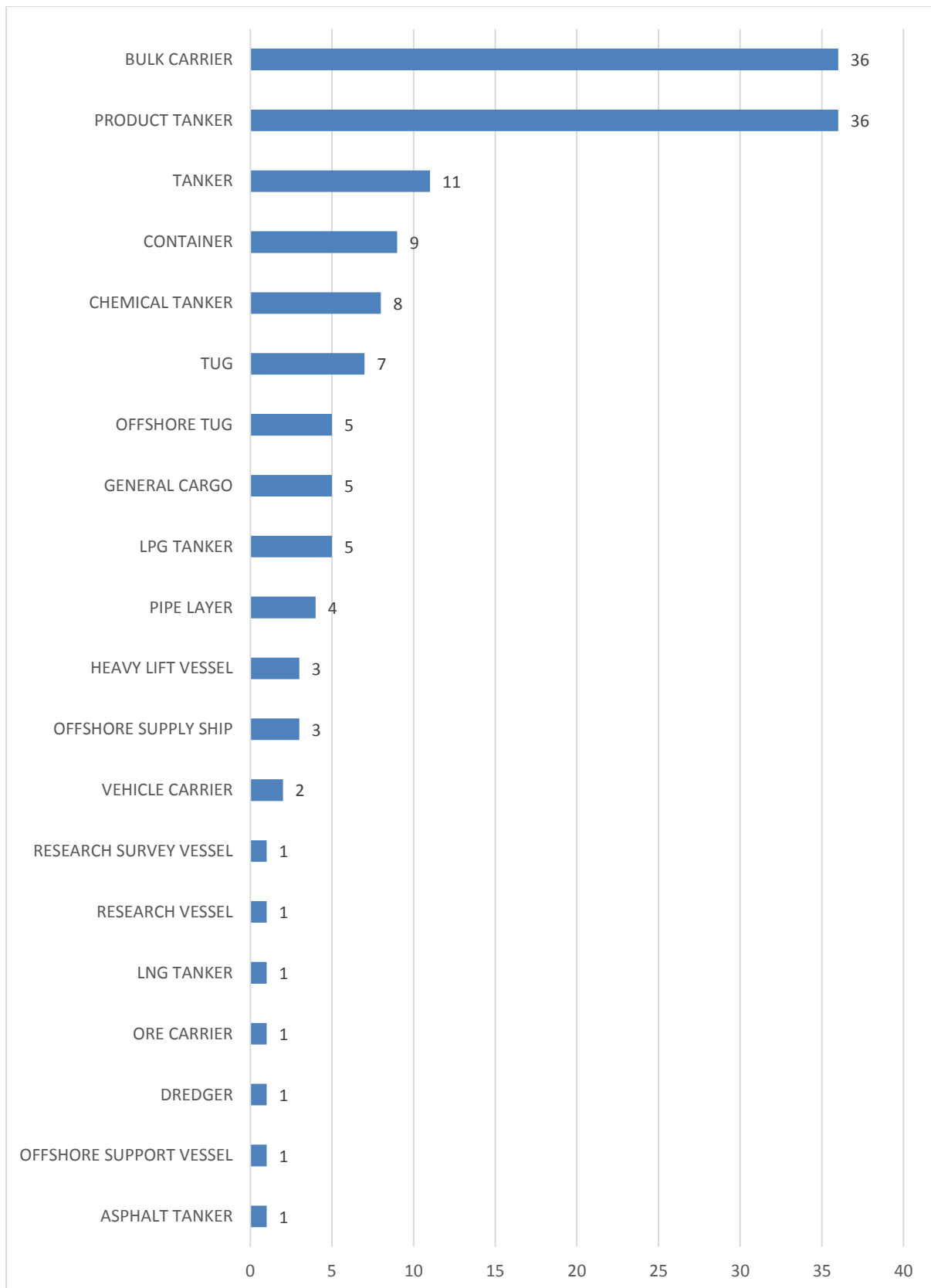


TABLE 12: Nationalities of ships attacked, January - September 2011 – 2016

| Flag State | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Algeria | 1 | | | | | |
| Antigua Barbuda | 12 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 6 | |
| Australia | | | | | 1 | |
| Austria | 1 | | | | | |
| Bahamas | 9 | 12 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Bangladesh | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Barbados | 2 | | 1 | | | |
| Belgium | 2 | | | | 1 | |
| Belize | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Bermuda | | | | 1 | | |
| Bolivia | | 1 | | | | |
| Cayman Island | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| China | 3 | | 2 | 1 | | |
| Comoros | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| Cook Islands | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Croatia | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Curacao | | 3 | | | 1 | 1 |
| Cyprus | 6 | 1 | | 2 | 5 | 2 |
| Denmark | 7 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Dominica | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| Egypt | | | | | 1 | |
| Ethiopia | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| France | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Gabon | | | 1 | | | |
| Germany | 3 | 4 | | | | |
| Ghana | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Gibraltar | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | | |
| Greece | 8 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Honduras | | | | 2 | | |
| Hong Kong (SAR) | 17 | 13 | 16 | 11 | 18 | 7 |
| India | 4 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Indonesia | 4 | 1 | | | 2 | 2 |
| Iran | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Isle of Man | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Italy | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | | |
| Japan | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Kiribati | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Korea South | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | |
| Liberia | 46 | 37 | 33 | 15 | 22 | 14 |
| Libya | 2 | | | | | |
| Luxemburg | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | 1 |
| Madeira | | | | | | 1 |
| Malaysia | 9 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 4 |
| Malta | 22 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 3 |
| Marshall Islands | 38 | 16 | 21 | 23 | 28 | 31 |

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| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Moldova | 1 | | | | | |
| Mongolia | 3 | 1 | | 2 | | |
| Netherlands | | 1 | 1 | 6 | | 2 |
| Nigeria | | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Norway | 8 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Oman | | 3 | | | | |
| Panama | 55 | 36 | 22 | 32 | 31 | 31 |
| Papua New Guinea | | | | | 1 | |
| Philippines | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | | |
| Portugal | | | | | 1 | |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Seychelles | 1 | | | | | |
| Sierra Leone | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Singapore | 24 | 39 | 29 | 22 | 25 | 15 |
| Spain | 2 | 1 | | | | |
| St. Kitts & Nevis | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| St. Vincent & Grenadines | 2 | 1 | 4 | | | |
| Thailand | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 | |
| Togo | 1 | | | | | |
| Turkey | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 |
| Tuvalu | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| UAE | 6 | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 6 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 |
| USA | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | |
| Vanuatu | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Vietnam | 3 | | | 3 | 1 | |
| Yemen | 5 | 3 | | | | |
| Not Stated | 2 | | | 1 | | |
| Subtotal: | 352 | 233 | 188 | 178 | 190 | 141 |
| Total year end | 439 | 297 | 264 | 245 | 246 | |

CHART E: Flag States whose vessels attacked nine or more times January – September 2016

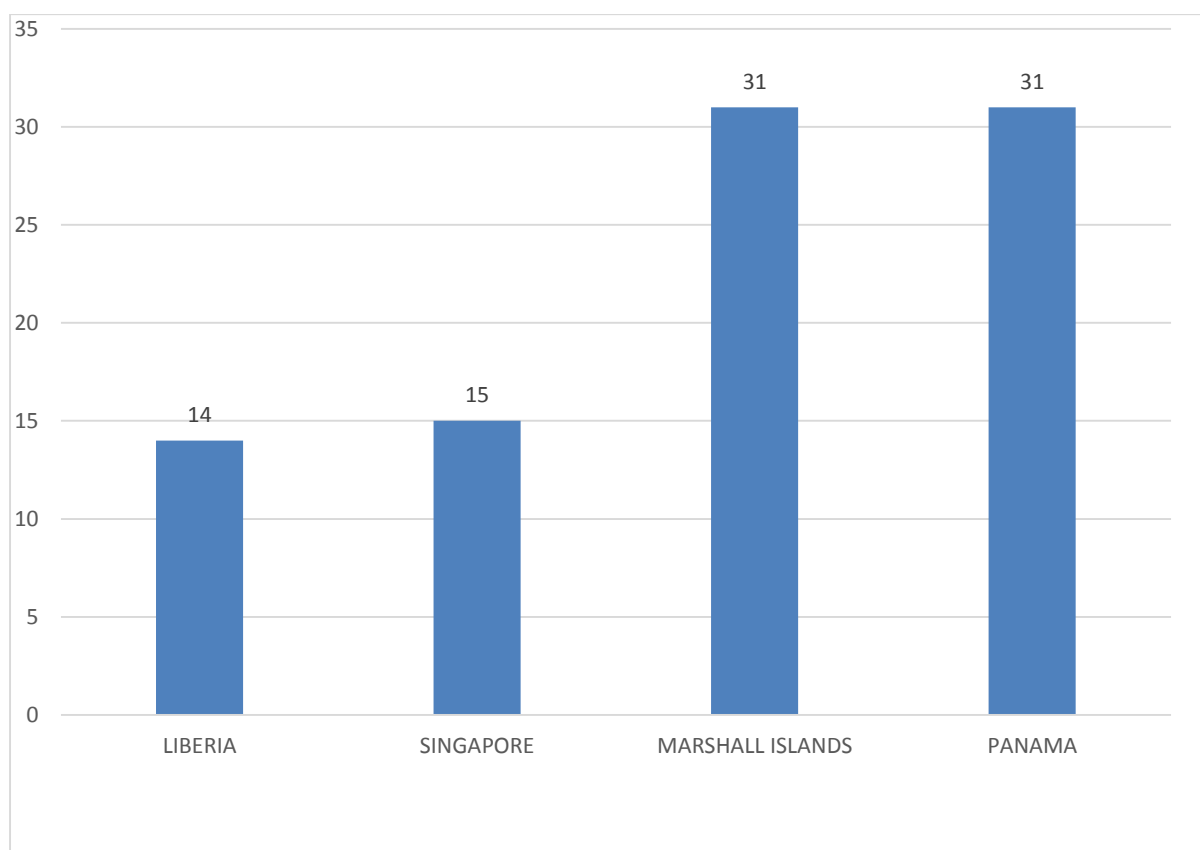
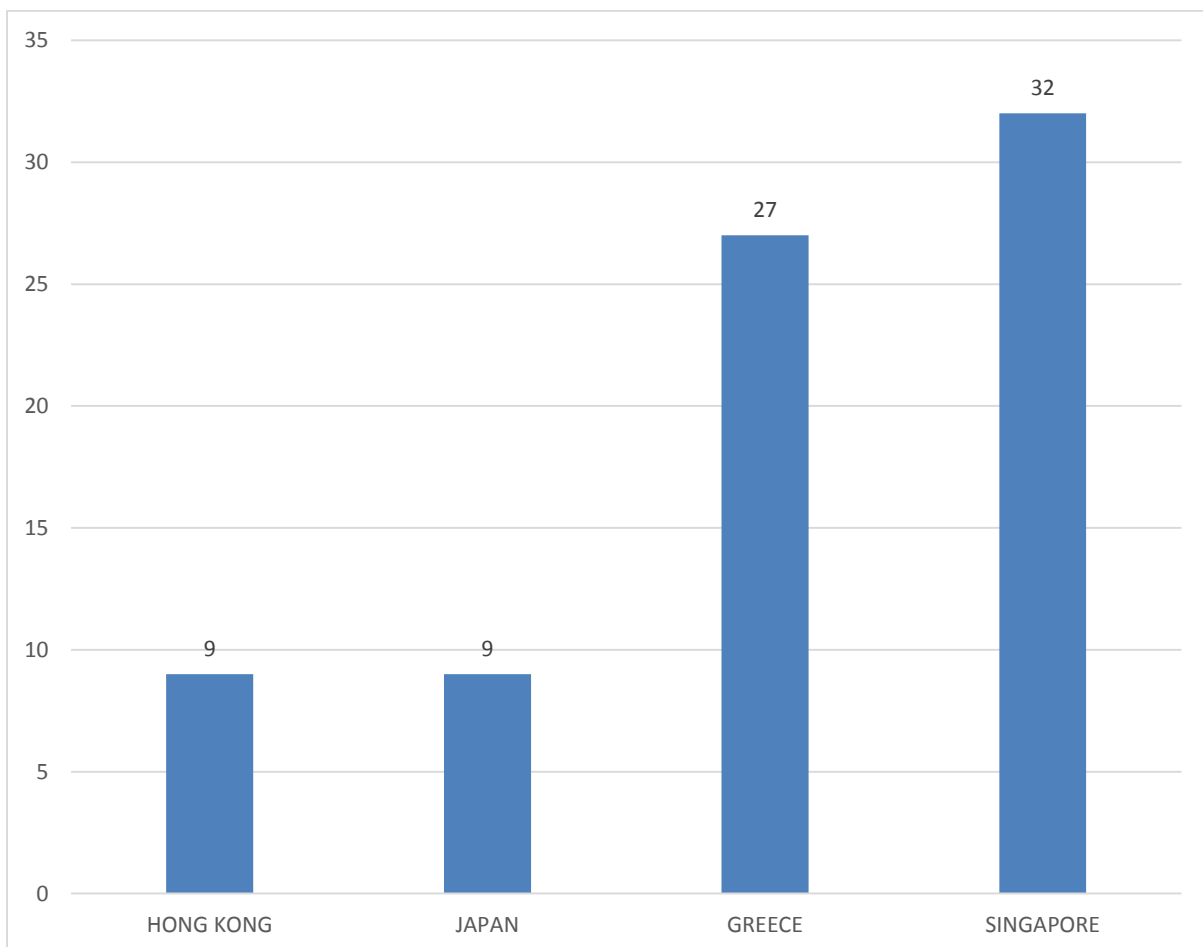


TABLE 13: Countries where victim ships were controlled or managed: January – September 2016

| Country | No of Ships |
|-------------|-------------|
| Australia | 1 |
| Bahamas | 1 |
| Bangladesh | 1 |
| Canada | 1 |
| China | 1 |
| Cyprus | 4 |
| Denmark | 4 |
| Ethiopia | 1 |
| France | 2 |
| Germany | 6 |
| Greece | 27 |
| Hong Kong | 9 |
| India | 7 |
| Indonesia | 2 |
| Japan | 9 |
| Luxembourg | 1 |
| Malaysia | 4 |
| Monaco | 3 |
| Netherlands | 1 |

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Nigeria | 2 |
| Norway | 6 |
| Singapore | 32 |
| Thailand | 1 |
| Turkey | 2 |
| UAE | 5 |
| Ukraine | 1 |
| United Kingdom | 7 |
| Total | 141 |

**CHART F: Managing countries whose vessels attacked nine or more times
January – September 2016**



SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN ATTACK FIGURES UPDATE

From 1 January to 30 September 2016, the IMB PRC has received one incident relating to an attempted boarding.

The combined efforts of the Navies in the region, along with the increased hardening of vessels and BMP4 compliance, employment of Privately Contracted Armed Security Personnel (PCASP), and the stabilizing factor of the central government within Somalia have resulted in this positive sign.

As the IMB PRC continues to monitor the situation in the region it cautions ship owners and Masters against complacency. Somali pirates still have the capability and capacity to carry out attacks. The IMB PRC believes that a single successful hijacking of a merchant vessel, will rekindle the Somali pirates' passion to resume its piracy efforts.

As of 30 September 2016, suspected Somali pirates continue to hold 29 crew members for ransom.

PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY PRONE AREAS AND WARNINGS

Mariners are warned to be extra cautious and to take necessary precautionary measures when transiting the following areas:

SOUTH EAST ASIA AND INDIAN SUB CONTINENT

Bangladesh: Robbers usually target ships preparing to anchor. Most attacks reported at Chittagong anchorages and approaches. However, attacks in Bangladesh have fallen significantly over the past few years because of the efforts by the Bangladesh Authorities.

China: Tianjin/Caofeidian – Incidents mostly at anchorage area.

India: Sikka and Kandla : Incidents reported at port and anchorage areas.

Indonesia: Tanjung Priok – Jakarta, off Bintan Island, Dumai, off Karimun Island, Nipah, Batu Ampar/Batam, Samarinda and Belawan anchorage and surrounding waters. Pirates / robbers normally armed with guns / knives and / or machetes. Generally be vigilant in other areas. Many attacks may have gone unreported. Pirates / robbers normally attack vessels during the night. When spotted and alarm sounded, the pirates / robbers usually escape without confronting the crew.

Recent meetings and continued dialog between the Indonesian Marine Police (IMP) and the IMB PRC resulted in positive actions by the Indonesian Authorities which had so far brought incidents to come down.

The Indonesian Marine Police have advised all ships intending to anchor to do so at / near the following areas where Indonesian Marine Police will conduct patrols for greater protection.

1. Belawan: 03:55.00N - 098:45.30E
2. Dumai: 01:42.00N-101:28.00E
3. Nipah: 01:07.30N-103:37.00E
4. Tanjung Priok: 06:00.30S-106:54.00E
5. Gresik: 07:09.00S-112:40.00E
6. Taboneo: 04:41.30S-114:28.00E
7. Adang bay: 01:40.00S-116:40.00E
8. Muara Berau: 00:17.00S-117:36.00E
9. Muara Jawa: 01:09.00S-117:13.00E
10. Balikpapan: 01:22.00S-116:53.00E
11. Bintan Island: 01:21.00N-104:29.00E

Ships are advised to maintain strict anti-piracy watch and measures and report all attacks and suspicious sightings to the local authorities and IMB PRC. The IMB PRC will also liaise with the local authorities to render necessary assistance.

Malacca Straits: Although the number of attacks have dropped substantially due to the increased and aggressive patrols by the littoral states authorities since July 2005, ships are advised to continue maintaining strict anti-piracy / robbery watches when transiting the Straits. Currently, there are no indications as to how long these patrols will continue for.

Malaysia: Off Sabah – Militant activities resulting in a number of tugs / barges / fishing boats being attacked and crews kidnapped.

Singapore Straits: Vessels are advised to remain vigilant and to continue maintaining adequate anti-piracy / robbery watch and measures. Pirates / robbers attack ships while underway or while at anchor especially during the night.

South China Sea: Although attacks have dropped significantly in the vicinity off Tioman / off Pulau Aur / off Anambas / Natuna / Mangkai islands / Subi Besar / Merundung areas, vessels are advised to continue to remain vigilant. In the past, a number of hijackings of small product tankers occurred off the coast of Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and in the South China Sea area. This trend started in April 2014 but the hijackings had stopped abruptly late last year. The IMB is monitoring the situation. It has been reported that some criminals have been arrested by local Authorities both in Malaysia and in Indonesia.

Vietnam: Vung Tau: Increase in attacks especially at anchorages.

AFRICA AND RED SEA

Africa:-

Nigeria (Lagos): Pirates / robbers are often well armed, violent and have attacked, hijacked and robbed vessels / kidnapped crews along the coast, rivers, anchorages, ports and surrounding waters. In the past, attacks reported up to about 170nm from coast. In many past incidents, pirates hijacked the vessels for several days and ransacked the vessels stealing part cargoes usually gas oil. A number of crewmembers were also injured and kidnapped in past attacks. Generally, all waters in/off Nigeria remain risky. Vessels are advised to be vigilant, as many attacks may have gone unreported.

(Off Bayelsa/Brass/Bonny Island/Port Harcourt): Recently, there has been a dramatic increase in attacks / hijackings / kidnapping of crews off these areas. Vessels are advised to take additional measures in these high risk waters.

Benin (Cotonou): Although the number of attacks has dropped significantly, the area remains risky. Past attacks showed that the pirates / robbers in this area are well armed and violent and in some incidents have fired upon and hijacked ships. The pirates force Masters to sail to unknown location where ship's properties and sometimes part cargo is stolen (gas oil). Crewmembers have been injured in the past. Recent patrols by the Benin and Nigerian Authorities has resulted in a drop in the number of attacks. However, vessels are advised to continue to be vigilant and maintain strict anti-piracy / robbery watches and measures.

Togo (Lome): Attacks have dropped but the area remains a concern and risky. Pirates / robbers in the area are well armed, violent and dangerous. Attacks can occur at anchorages and off the coast and usually at night. Some attacks resulted in vessels being hijacked for several days, ransacked and part cargoes stolen (gas oil).

Gulf of Aden/Red Sea: Only one attack reported this year in the Gulf of Aden and no attacks reported in the Red Sea. This is due to increased/active military action on suspected skiffs, military land based anti-piracy operations, preventive measures (latest BMP recommendations) and increased armed guards on board ships. The IMB PRC continues to monitor the situation and warns ships to remain vigilant and adhere to the latest BMP recommendations. The threat is still present and Somali pirates usually attack ships in the northern Somali coast in the Gulf of Aden and southern Red Sea in the Bab El Mandeb TSS. The pirates fire automatic weapons and Rocket Propelled Grenades (RPG) at merchant vessels in an attempt to board and hijack them. Once the attack is successful and the vessel hijacked, they would sail the vessel towards the Somali coast and thereafter demand a ransom for the release of the vessel and crew. All vessels transiting the area are advised to take additional precautionary measures and maintain strict 24 hours visual and radar anti-piracy watch using all available means. Watch keeping crews should lookout for small suspicious boats converging to own vessel. Early sightings/detection and accurate assessment will allow Master to increase speed and take evasive manoeuvres to escape from the pirates and at the same time request for assistance from the various Authorities / Agencies including the IMB PRC. Monitor and keep clear of all small boats if possible.

Since 1 February 2009, MSCHOA (www.mschoa.org) has established the Internationally Recommended Transit Corridor (IRTC). Strategically deployed Military assets (Naval and Air) within the area provide protection and support to merchant ships.

Masters using the IRTC are not relieved of their obligation and should continue to maintain a strict 24-hour lookout using all available means to get an early warning of an approaching threat. Some vessels have been attacked/hijacked in the corridor.

Ships/Owners are advised to register their details on the MSCHOA website www.mschoa.org and obtain further information regarding the close support protection details for ships transiting the Gulf of Aden. Ships are encouraged to conduct their passage through the IRTC in groups based on their transit speed of 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 kts.

Masters are advised to maintain a listening watch on VHF CH 16, CH 8 and CH 72 in order to hear the Maritime Advisory Calls from the warships in the area who will make general security

broadcasts and in turn listen to merchant ships calling them. In addition, Masters are advised to monitor the IMB Piracy Reporting Centre (PRC) broadcast and Warnings via Inmarsat C EGC Safety Net. All attempted, actual attacks and suspicious sightings reported to warships should also be reported to the IMB PRC.

Somalia: No attacks reported recently. This is due to increased / active military action on suspected skiffs, military land based anti-piracy operations, preventive measures (latest BMP recommendations) and increased armed guards on board ships. Usual modus operandi of the Somali pirates is to attack ships in the northern, eastern and southern coast of Somalia. Past attacks reaching up to off Kenya, off Tanzania, off Seychelles, off Madagascar, off Mozambique/Mozambique Channel and in the Indian Ocean and Arabian Sea / off Oman, Gulf of Oman and off west coast India and off western Maldives. Somali pirates are dangerous and are prepared to fire their automatic weapons and RPG at vessels in order to stop them. Pirates normally used “mother vessels” to launch attacks at very far distance from coast. These "mother vessels" are usually hijacked dhows or ocean going fishing vessels. In the past, the Somali pirates have tried to use hijacked merchant vessels to conduct piracy operations. The “mother vessel” is able to proceed very far out to sea to launch smaller boats or skiffs to attack and hijack unsuspecting passing vessels. Many past attacks had taken place more than 1,000 nm from the Somali coast (towards Indian west and south coast in the Indian Ocean). These pirates have also attacked vessels close to the coast of Tanzania, Kenya, Somalia, Yemen and Oman. Masters are cautioned that attempted attacks and suspicious approaches have taken place as far east as 76°E, as far south as 22°S and as far north as 26°N (just south of the Straits of Hormuz). Monitor and keep clear of all small boats, dhows and fishing vessels if possible. A 24-hour visual and radar watch must be maintained at all times while transiting these waters. Early sightings / detection and most importantly accurate assessment, keeping in mind the warnings and alerts for the area will allow Masters and PCASP to make informed decisions for evasive actions, increasing speed, requesting assistance as well as engaging the pirates. Adhere to the latest BMP recommendations.

Ivory Coast: Abidjan: Attacks dropped but remains risky.

Guinea: Conakry

The Congo: Pointe Noire

SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN WATERS

Ecuador: Guayaquil. Attacks stopped but ships advised to be vigilant.

Peru: Callao

REST OF THE WORLD

Arabian Sea / Off Oman / Gulf of Oman: Past attacks reported off Oman, Gulf of Oman and the Arabian Sea where a number of vessels were attacked and hijacked. Pirates believed to be Somali pirates extending their attack areas. No recent attacks reported but be vigilant and adhere to latest BMP recommendations.

Indian Ocean / Off Seychelles / Off Madagascar / Off West Maldives: In the past, Somali pirates hijacked ocean going fishing vessels/dhows and hijacked merchant vessels to conduct piracy operations. These pirate “mother vessels” are able to sail far from Somali coast to attack passing ships. Smaller skiffs are launched from the pirate “mother vessel” to attack the merchant vessels. Pirates are heavily armed with automatic weapons and RPG. Past attacks also extend to west coast of Maldives, off west and south India and Minicoy Island. No recent attacks reported but be vigilant and adhere to latest BMP recommendations.

Reporting of incidents

Ships are advised to maintain strict anti-piracy watches and report all piratical attacks (actual and attempted) and suspicious sightings to the IMB Piracy Reporting Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

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The Centre’s 24 Hours Anti-Piracy HELPLINE is: +60 3 2031 0014

IMB Maritime Security Hotline

The International Maritime Bureau (IMB) has also launched a dedicated hotline for seafarers, port workers, shipping agents, shipyard personnel, brokers, stevedores, and all concerned parties to report any information that they may have seen / heard / known etc. relating to maritime crime and security including terrorism, piracy and other illegal activities.

All information received will be treated in strict confidence and will be passed on to relevant Authorities for further action. Maritime crime and security concerns us all and with your help, we can try to minimize the risks and help save lives and property.

The Maritime Security Hotline can be contacted 24 hours every day at :
Tel: +60 3 2031 0014 Fax: +60 3 2078 5769 E-mail: imbsecurity@icc-ccs.org

REMEMBER: Your information may save lives. All information will be treated in strict confidence.

OBSERVATIONS

Narrations of the 141 attacks for 01 January to 30 September 2016 are listed on pages 31 to 53. The following serious incidents, in chronological sequence are described in more detail.

Nigeria:

On 29 January 2016, a Liberian flagged Product Tanker MT Leon Dias was attacked and hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 02:30 North and Longitude 005:35 East, around 110nm SSW of Bayelsa, Nigeria at approximately 2236 UTC. Pirates armed with guns attacked and hijacked the tanker. The tanker loaded with gas oil was enroute from Lome to Bata. The Owner lost communication with the tanker and reported to the IMB PRC, who immediately contacted and liaised with local and regional Authorities. The pirates shot and seriously injured one crew member during the incident. They destroyed and damaged the tanker's communication equipment and kidnapped five crew members before escaping. The remaining crew members managed to sail the tanker to Benin where a Navy patrol boat assisted in the evacuation of the injured crew. The tanker was escorted to Cotonou anchorage for investigation.

Ivory Coast:

On 11 February 2016, a Panamanian flagged Product Tanker MT Maximus was attacked and hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 04:00 North and Longitude 004:00 West, around 77nm south of Abidjan, Ivory Coast at approximately 2000 UTC. Fourteen pirates armed with guns attacked and hijacked the tanker. All 18 crew members were taken hostage. The pirates ransacked all cabins and stole crew personal effects. Eight pirates then disembarked the tanker on the high seas with two kidnapped crew members. A Togo Navy patrol boat managed to intercept and took a picture of the tanker. The pirates had repainted the tanker's name and provided false information to the Togo Navy. The picture was sent to the Owners for verification. As the tanker sailed into the Nigerian EEZ waters, the Togo Navy handed over the coordination to the Nigerian Navy who had dispatched a warship to shadow the tanker. On 20 February 2016, the Nigerian Navy boarded the tanker. After an exchange of gunfire, the pirates surrendered and the crews were rescued. One pirate was reportedly killed. The two kidnapped crew members were released on 20 March 2016. Throughout the incident, the IMB PRC liaised and shared information among the Regional Authorities, vessel owner and flag state.

Nigeria

On 11 February 2016, a Marshall Islands flagged Product Tanker MT Nave Jupiter was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:35 North and Longitude 005:42 East, around 54nm SW of Brass, Nigeria at approximately 1510 LT. The tanker was sailing from Bonny to Amsterdam when she spotted two skiffs approaching from the stern. Master quickly raised the alarm, increased speed, commenced evasive manoeuvres and contacted the CSO. Owners contacted the IMB PRC who immediately liaised with the Nigerian Authorities and the IMB PRC were advised that an armed patrol boat had been dispatched to the location. As the skiffs closed in, weapons and ladders were sighted. The pirates opened fire at the tanker's superstructure and threw handmade explosive devices onto the main deck which luckily did not explode. Three pirates managed to board the tanker using a ladder and fired several rounds. Non-essential crew retreated into the citadel. Master continued with evasive manoeuvres. The pirates cut off the fuel to the main engines and generators. Master then instructed the bridge team to go to the citadel. The pirates later tried to gain access to the citadel but failed. Before escaping, the pirates damaged all communication equipment and stole crew personal effects. The Nigerian Navy arrived and boarded the tanker and rescued the crew members. The tanker thereafter sailed to a safe port.

On 05 March 2016, a Panamanian flagged Chemical Tanker MT Madonna 1 was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 04:05 North and Longitude 006:41 East, around 32nm SW of Bonny Island, Nigeria at approximately 1607 UTC. About 10 armed pirates in a black speed boat attacked and opened fire at the tanker. They managed to successfully board the tanker using a grappling hook and ladder. The tanker activated the alarm and non-essential crew members retreated to the citadel.

Pirates then kidnapped four crew members and escaped. On 27 March 2016, the kidnapped crew members were released safely most likely after a ransom was paid.

Philippines:

On 25 March 2016, an Indonesian flagged tugboat TB Brahma 12 and barge Anand 12 were attacked and hijacked by armed persons while steaming at position Latitude 04:48.56 North and Longitude 119:12.53 East, around 11nm WSW of Omapoy Island, Philippines at approximately 1629 LT. Armed persons boarded the tug towing a barge laden with coal. They hijacked the tug and cast off the barge. They then ransacked the tug and damaged all communication equipment on board. Ten crew members were kidnapped and the tugboat later abandoned off Languyan Island, Philippines. The Philippine Police took custody of the tugboat and are investigating the case. The drifting barge laded with coal was located by MMEA on 01 April 2016, towed to a safe port and under investigation.

Nigeria:

On 26 March 2016, a Liberian flagged Product Tanker MT Sampatiki was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 04:20 North and Longitude 005:10 East, around 31nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria at approximately 0040 LT. Eight pirates armed with guns attacked, fired at the tanker and successfully boarded the tanker. They ransacked all the cabins, stole crew personal belongings and kidnapped five crew members including the Master.

Malaysia:

On 01 April 2016, a Malaysian flagged Tug TB Massive 6 was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 04:07.56 North and Longitude 118:55.76 East, around 17nm East of Pulau Sipadan, Sabah, Malaysia at approximately 1815 LT. Eight heavily armed pirates in a speed boat intercepted and boarded the tug underway. They opened fire at the tug and managed to board successfully. They stole crew personal belongings and kidnapped four crew members and escaped. The remaining crew members sailed the tug to the vicinity of Semporna and thereafter a MMEA patrol boat escorted the tug to a safe port. The kidnapped crew were released on 8 June 2016.

Nigeria:

On 01 April 2016, a Panamanian flagged Chemical Tanker MV Madonna 1 was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:54 North and Longitude 005:41 East, around 41nm SW of Brass, Nigeria at approximately 1153 LT. Duty Officers onboard the tanker noticed a black speed boat approaching. The Master raised the alarm, sent distress messages, took anti-piracy preventive measures and crew members locked all entrance doors. As the speed boat closed in, nine pirates armed with AK47s opened fire at the tanker and attempted to board several times using ladders and grappling hooks attached with a rope. All non-essential crew members mustered in a safe room. The Navy was contacted but received no response. The IMB PRC received information from the Owners and immediately informed the Nigerian Navy for assistance. The Nigerian Navy responded and advised the IMB PRC that they will take action accordingly. Due to the hardening measures taken by the tanker, the pirates aborted the attempted boarding and moved away. No injuries to crew members.

On 11 April 2016, a Malta flagged Product Tanker MT Puli was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 02:48.4 North and Longitude 006:40.9 East, around 118nm SSW of Port Harcourt, Nigeria at approximately 0130 LT. Eight pirates in a speed boat armed with rifles attacked and boarded the tanker underway while enroute from Douala port to Abidjan port. The pirates stole cash, ship's properties, crew personal belongings and kidnapped six crew members before escaping. The tanker then continued her passage towards a safe port. No injuries to remaining crew members. On 25 April 2016, the kidnapped crew members were released safely.

On 11 April 2016, a Liberian flagged Container Ship MV CMA CGM Turquoise was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 04:08.02 North and Longitude 005:23.05 East, around 30nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria at approximately 2056 LT. Armed pirates attacked and boarded the ship successfully. The Master raised the alarm, activated the SSAS and all crew members except two

mustered in the citadel. The Owners sent a message to the IMB PRC indicating that they had lost contact with their ship. The IMB PRC immediately informed and liaised with the Nigerian Authorities and transmitted a Warning Broadcast to ships at sea. After about 12 hours, the crew emerged from the citadel. The two crew were reported kidnapped. The Nigerian Navy boarded the ship for investigations. All the remaining crew members were safe. On 19 May 2016, the kidnapped crew members were released safely.

Malaysia:

On 15 April 2016, an Indonesian flagged Tug TB Henry and Barge Christy were attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 04:31.26 North and Longitude 119:00.00 East, around 4.3nm SE of Pulau Sibuan, Sabah, Malaysia at approximately 1032 UTC. Six heavily armed persons in a speed boat intercepted and boarded the tug towing a barge underway. They opened fire at the tugboat. One crew member was reported injured. They stole crew personal belongings, kidnapped four crew members and escaped. The Malaysian Marine Police later escorted the tug and barge to a safe port and transferred the injured crew to a hospital for medical treatment. On 12 May 2016, the kidnapped crew members were released safely.

Nigeria:

On 19 April 2016, a Malaysian flagged Offshore Supply Vessel MV Armada Tuah 101 was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:30 North and Longitude 004:50 East, around 97nm SW of Brass, Nigeria at approximately 0717 LT. Armed pirates attacked and boarded the vessel underway. The alarm was raised and all crew mustered. Non-essential crews retreated into the citadel. Pirates boarded and robbed and kidnapped two crew members. All remaining crew members were reported safe and vessel thereafter proceeded to a safe port. The kidnapped crew were released on 3 June 2016. They arrived safely in their respective country.

Indonesia:

On 07 May 2016, a Cook Islands flagged Product Tanker MT Hai Soon 12 was attacked and hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 02:04.48 South and Longitude 108:39.27 East, around 21nm south of Pulau Serutu, Indonesia at approximately 2045 LT. The tanker while enroute from Singapore to Sunda Straits was attacked and boarded by armed pirates. They took hostage all crew members and hijacked the tanker. As the Owners failed to receive the updates from the Master, they reported the incident to the IMB PRC who had then reported and liaised with the Indonesian Authorities. The IMB PRC also broadcast to all ships to keep a lookout for the missing tanker. The Indonesian Navy dispatched their patrol boats who had subsequently located and intercepted the hijacked tanker and rescued all crew members onboard. Nine pirates were detained. All crew members reported safe.

Malaysia:

On 02 June 2016, a Malaysian flagged Tug TB Ever Prosper and Barge Ever Dignity were attacked and hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:07.24 North and Longitude 112:35.14 East, around 11nm NNE of Balingian, Sarawak, Malaysia at approximately 2300 LT. Armed persons in two speed boats approached and attacked the tug and barge underway. They boarded the tug, took hostage all 10 crew members and tied them up. They then damaged the communication equipment and hijacked the tug and barge. As the Owners were unable to contact the tug, they reported the incident to MMEA. The hijackers stole the cargo and the crew's valuables. One crew was reported injured during the incident. MMEA patrol boats escorted the tug and barge to a safe port for investigation.

Indonesia:

On 28 June 2016, a Panamanian flagged Product Tanker MT Chamtang was attacked and boarded by armed pirates while steaming at position Latitude 03:00 North and Longitude 105:10 East, around 26nm WSW of Mangkai Island, Indonesia at approximately 1945 UTC. About ten pirates armed with guns and knives attacked and successfully boarded the tanker underway. They entered the bridge as the Second Officer was altering course. They held the Second Officer and the duty AB at gun point and beat them. The pirates wore face masks and were aggressive and violent. They took the Second Officer to the Master's cabin and then took the Master and the other crew hostage. The pirates stole the ship's

GPS and Navtex equipment and removed the cabling from the remaining satellite communication equipment. Before escaping, they stole cash and other personal effects from the crew and released the Master.

Guinea:

On 03 July 2016, a Curacao flagged Heavy Lift Vessel MV Teal was attacked by armed pirates while anchored at position Latitude 09:23.6 North and Longitude 013:41.9 West, at Conakry Anchorage, Guinea at approximately 0450 LT.

Six persons in a boat armed with machine guns and knives attacked and successfully boarded the anchored ship. They attacked the Duty O/S causing injuries and took the 2/O hostage. They opened fire to threaten other crew members and damaged the accommodation. Under gun threat, they robbed the crew members of their cash and personal belongings before escaping. Master tried to contact the port control but received no response. The incident was later reported to Port Authorities through the local Agent. A security boat thereafter arrived at the location to investigate.

Nigeria:

On 07 July 2016, a Nigerian flagged Offshore Supply Ship MV Prince Joseph 1 was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:05 North and Longitude 004:53 East, around 98 nm SW of Bayelsa, Nigeria at approximately 1430 UTC.

Three pirates armed with guns fired upon and successfully boarded the vessel. Alarm was raised, distress alert activated and non-essential crew retreated into the citadel. The pirates kidnapped five crew members and escaped. They also robbed crew personal belongings. Chief Officer was shot in the head. Nigerian Authorities notified and are investigating.

Nigeria:

On 07 July 2016, a Greek flagged Tanker MT Bouboulina was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:16 North and Longitude 005:09 East, around 89 nm SW of Brass, Nigeria at approximately 0650 UTC.

Armed pirates attacked and fired upon the tanker underway. As the boat came alongside the tanker, the alarm was raised and all crew retreated into the citadel. The crew was able to control the tanker from the citadel. After about four hours, the crew emerged from the citadel. Bridge windows were found shattered due to the firing. All 25 crew members reported safe. The tanker then continued her voyage to the port of destination.

Nigeria:

On 17 August 2016, an Isle of Man flagged General Cargo ship MV Vectis Osprey was attacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:54.5 North and Longitude 007:09.3 East, around 28 nm south of Bonny, Nigeria at approximately 1327 LT.

About nine pirates in a blue wooden speedboat and armed with AK47 attacked and successfully boarded the ship. Master raised the alarm and activated the SSAS and all crew retreated into the citadel. The Managers of the ship immediately reported to the IMB PRC. The IMB PRC then liaised with the Nigerian Navy to request for urgent assistance. A naval warship was dispatched to assist the ship. The pirates left when the Nigerian Navy warship intercepted and boarded the ship. The pirates stole ship's properties and crew's personal belongings and cash. The accommodation was damaged due to firing of machine guns. The ship was then escorted to Bonny Anchorage for investigation. All 13 crews were reported safe.

Guinea:

On 24 August 2016, a Bangladeshi flagged Bulk Carrier MV Aisha Sarwar was attacked by armed robbers while anchored at position Latitude 09:24.5 North and Longitude 013:43.3 West, around 5.5 nm South of Conakry, Guinea at approximately 0110 LT.

Around seven robbers armed with machine guns and knives attacked and boarded the ship. Two crew members were taken hostage and beaten. The robbers escaped with crew's cash and properties.

Guinea:

On 21 September 2016, a Panamanian flagged Container Ship MV Windhoek was attacked by armed robbers while anchored at position Latitude 09:18.47 North and Longitude 013:45.51 West, Conakry Anchorage, Guinea at approximately 0146 LT.

About six robbers in a wooden boat and armed with AK 47 and shotgun attacked and successfully boarded the ship. They fired at the ship and crew. Master activated the SSAS alert, raised the alarm and locked the accommodation. The robbers however, gained access into the ship by breaking the bridge wing windows. After taking the crews hostage, the robbers ransacked and looted every crew cabin, stole crew personal belongings and ship's cash. The Manager of the ship reported to the IMB PRC. The IMB PRC immediately liaised with the Guinea RCC who took action and Authorities boarded the ship. The robbers managed to escape and all 21 crew members reported safe.

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TRENDS

Pirates armed with guns or knives took 110 seafarers hostage in the first nine months and kidnapped 49 for ransom. Nigeria, a growing hotspot for violent piracy and armed robbery, accounts for 26% of all captures, followed by Indonesia, Malaysia, Guinea and Ivory Coast.

With just 42 attacks worldwide this quarter, maritime piracy is at its lowest since 1996. IMB PRC recorded 141 incidents so far this year, a 25% drop from the same period in 2015. A total of 111 vessels were boarded, five were hijacked, 10 fired at and 15 attempted attacks.

The IMB PRC is encouraged by the efforts of national and international authorities – and the shipping industry – to keep piracy down. But clearly the threat to crew being taken hostage remains, and it is therefore necessary for shipmasters and response agencies to remain vigilant.

The IMB report shows one factor in reducing global numbers is a huge drop in low-level incidents off Indonesia. Though Indonesia still accounts for 34 of the 110 seafarers taken hostage this year, the total number of attacks has plummeted. IMB recorded 33 attacks off Indonesia in the first nine months of 2016, down from 86 for the corresponding period in 2015. Patrols by the Indonesian Marine Police appear to be working, says IMB PRC, who will continue to monitor high-risk areas and work closely with the region's authorities.

Vietnam has reported similar improvements, with six incidents so far in 2016 – four of them in Vung Tau – compared with 19 during the same period last year.

More vessels of all types are being targeted by armed groups along Nigeria's rivers, anchorages and ports, and up to 118nm from the coast. Though many attacks are believed to go unrecorded, IMB received reports of 31 incidents in the first nine months of 2016, up from 12 in the same period last year. In the latest of these, pirates armed with AK47 rifles attacked and boarded a general cargo ship en route from Onne (Nigeria) to Douala (Cameroon), stealing property and cash and damaging accommodation. The master activated the Ship Security Alert System (SSAS), and all crew retreated into the citadel. Alerted by the ship's managers, IMB PRC requested urgent assistance from the Nigerian navy, who intercepted and boarded the ship. But in other Nigerian attacks so far this year, 13 people have been taken hostage onboard, and 29 kidnapped for ransom. In one boarding in July, five crew were captured and the chief officer shot in the head.

Worldwide five crewmembers were assaulted, six injured and five threatened.

As for Somalia, zero incidents were recorded this quarter and just one attempted attack was recorded in the Gulf of Aden in the first nine months of 2016. But the situation ashore in Somalia, from where the pirate vessels set off, remains fragile. IMB PRC calls on shipmasters to follow the industry's Best Management Practices and continue to remain vigilant as they sail through waters off Somalia.

The IMB PRC is the world's only independent 24-hour manned centre to receive reports of pirate and armed robbery attacks from around the world. IMB strongly urges all shipmasters and owners to report all actual, attempted and suspected piracy and armed robbery incidents to the IMB PRC. This first step in the response chain is vital to ensuring that adequate resources are allocated by authorities to tackle piracy. Transparent statistics from an independent, non-political, international organization can act as a catalyst to achieve this goal.

PIRACY NEWS

Collaboration between Indonesia Marine Police and IMB continue to show positive results

The number of incidents in the 11 designated areas patrolled by the Indonesian Marine Police continues to decrease in almost all the listed areas.

All ships intending to anchor, waiting for berth or drift should do so at the designated areas where Indonesian Marine Police patrol boats would be stationed to enable the Indonesian Marine Police to maximize their resources to provide greater protection to ships.

Merchant ships are advised to cooperate by maintaining strict anti-piracy and robbery watches and report all attacks and suspicious sightings to the local Authorities including the IMB PRC who will also liaise with local and regional Authorities to render necessary assistance.

Incidents reported at the 11 designated areas where Indonesian Marine Police patrols are as follows:-

| | Locations | 2013 Total | 2014 Total | 2015 Q1 | 2015 Q2 | 2015 Q3 | 2015 Q4 | 2015 Total | 2016 Q1 | 2016 Q2 | 2016 Q3 |
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| 2 | Dumai: 01:42.00N - 101:28.00E | 12 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | - | 5 | - | 2 | 3 |
| 3 | Nipah: 01:07.30N - 103:37.00E | 14 | - | 5 | 10 | 9 | 2 | 26 | - | | |
| 4 | Tanjung Priok: /Jakarta - 06:00.30S - 106:54.00E | 6 | 9 | 2 | 2 | - | - | 4 | 3 | 2 | |
| 5 | Gresik: 07:09.00S - 112:40.00E | 4 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | | |
| 6 | Taboneo: 04:41.30S - 114:28.00E | 8 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 4 | - | | 1 |
| 7 | Adang Bay: 01:40.00S - 116:40.00E | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | | |
| 8 | Muara Berau: 00:17.00S - 117:36.00E | 4 | 6 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | | |
| 9 | Muara Jawa: 01:09.00S - 117:13.00E | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | | |
| 10 | Balikpapan: 01:22.00S - 116:53.00E | 5 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| 11 | Bintan Island: 01:21.00N - 104:29.00E | - | 35 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | |

Philippines says Indonesia forces can chase pirates into Philippine waters

It was reported recently that Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte allowed Indonesian forces to pursue pirates into Philippine waters. The President said that piracy is one of the main concerns between the two countries. Piracy and other security issues were discussed between President Duterte and Indonesian President Joko during the official recent visit of the Philippine President in Jakarta.

Somali government calls for the release of citizens detained for piracy

The Federal Government of Somalia has directed its ministry of foreign affairs and its diplomatic missions to closely monitor their citizens detained in various parts of the world for piracy related crimes. The Somali government has called for the human rights of their detained citizens to be protected and for them to have access to fair justice.

“Federal government of Somalia is calling upon Kenya, India, Seychelles and all other states holding Somali citizens for piracy case to allow them serve prison sentence inside their country,” The statement follows the possible sentencing of more than 50 Somali citizens to death by the Indian courts, for their crimes at sea.

Malaysia PM said that Sabah sea kidnappers had inside information

Malaysia PM Datuk Seri Najib Razak said that the Sabah kidnapping criminals must have had inside information to carry out successful kidnappings. The PM said that it is impossible to have military assets at all locations all the time due to the vast open seas. The kidnappers however knew where the assets were to commit these crimes. It has been reported that these spate of kidnappings are linked to the Abu Sayyaf militant group. Malaysia, Indonesia and Philippines are cooperating in an ongoing effort to secure and patrol these waters.

NARRATIONS OF ATTACKS

1 January – 30 September 2016

ACTUAL ATTACKS

SOUTH EAST ASIA (EXCLUDING MALACCA STRAITS)

| Ref | Date Time | Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/IMO Number | Position | Narration |
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| 1. | 15.01.2016 0100 LT Anchored Boarded | Crest Hydra Offshore Support Vessel Singapore 3023 9712527 | 00:44N – 104:09E, Galang Anchorage, Batam, Indonesia | Four robbers boarded an anchored vessel. Oiler noticed the robbers via the security camera and informed the OOW. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's properties. |
| 2. | 14.02.2016 0300 LT Anchored Boarded | Name Withheld Product Tanker Marshall Islands 20058 - | 13:43N – 121:02E, Batangas Anchorage, Philippines | Robbers boarded an anchored tanker and escaped with ship's properties. The C/O, who was preparing the tanker for berthing, noticed grappling hook marks on the deck. Security checks made throughout the tanker. Ship's properties were reported stolen. Local authorities were informed through agents. |
| 3. | 27.02.2016 to 03.03.2016 - Berthed Boarded | SBI Subaru Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 34584 9705160 | Berth 202, Tanjung Priok Port, Jakarta, Indonesia | While at berth, unauthorized persons boarded the ship and escaped with ship's properties. The ship departed from berth to OPL Jakarta anchorage where the theft was discovered when the duty crew noticed the store's padlock was broken. Alarm raised and crew mustered. A search was carried out and found ship's properties were stolen from the store. |
| 4. | 22.03.2016 0120 LT Anchored Boarded | Maratha Promise Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 22863 9422809 | 06:00.6S – 106:54.0E, Tg. Priok, Jakarta Anchorage, Indonesia | Five robbers boarded an anchored ship. Duty AB on routine rounds was attacked and hit on the head. One robber stood guard near the AB, while the remaining entered the accommodation. The AB managed to call the bridge on the walkie-talkie. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped with items stolen from the engine room. |
| 5. | 22.03.2016 Night Hours Berthed Boarded | Name Withheld Product Tanker Norway 26218 - | 01:26.31N – 125:11.47E, Samudra Jetty No. 2, Bitung Port, Indonesia | Robbers boarded the berthed tanker during cargo operations. They broke into the safety locker, stole ship's equipment and escaped unnoticed. The incident was noticed during routine inspection upon departure. Incident reported to Owners. |
| 6. | 25.03.2016 1629 LT Steaming Hijacked | Brahma 12 Tug Indonesia 198 9765407 | 04:48.56N – 119:12.53E, 11nm WSW of Omapoy Island, Philippines | A tug towing the barge laden with coal was boarded by unknown persons. They cast off the barge, hijacked the tug and took its 10 crew as hostage. The tug was ransacked, all communication equipment damaged and then abandoned off Languyan Island, |

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| | | Anand 12 Barge Indonesia 3913 - | | Philippines. The crew were kidnapped. The Philippines police found and took custody of the tug and are presently investigating the case. On 1 April 2016, the missing barge was located by MMEA and towed to a safe port for investigation. The kidnapped crew were released on 1 May 2016. |
| 7. | 01.04.2016 1815 LT Steaming Boarded | Massive 6 Tug Malaysia 269 9265823 | 04:07.56N – 118:55.76E, Around 17nm East of Pulau Sipadan, Sabah, Malaysia | Eight armed pirates in a speed boat approached and boarded the tug underway. They opened fire, stole crew personal belongings, kidnapped four crew members and escaped. The remaining crew members sailed the vessel to the vicinity of Semporna and a MMEA patrol boat escorted the vessel to a safe port. The kidnapped crew were released on 8 June 2016. |
| 8. | 01.04.2016 0145 LT Anchored Boarded | Frontier Hero Bulk Carrier Panama 43291 9701308 | 00:15.2S – 117:34.8E, Samarinda Anchorage, Indonesia | D/O onboard the ship heard voices on the forecandle deck. Alarm raised and an announcement was made on the PA system. As crew rushed to the location the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. Master tried to contact the coast guard but received no response. |
| 9. | 03.04.2016 2345 LT Anchored Boarded | Cougar Container Liberia 17156 9014080 | 05:59.4S – 106:54.3E, Jakarta Anchorage, Indonesia | Five robbers boarded an anchored ship using a hook attached with a rope. Alert crew noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers jumped overboard and escaped. Nothing reported stolen. Incident reported to pilot station and local agent who then reported to the port police. When the ship came alongside on 4 April 2016, the port police boarded the ship for investigation. |
| 10. | 12.04.2016 0730 LT Anchored Boarded | Kota Rancak Container Singapore 9678 9296298 | 06:54S – 110:22E, Semarang Anchorage, Indonesia | Three robbers boarded an anchored ship. Crew on duty sighted robbers in the engine room and informed the bridge. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen engine spare parts. |
| 11. | 15.04.2016 1032 UTC Steaming Boarded | Henry Tug Indonesia 245 9302231 Christy Barge Indonesia 3441 - | 04:31.26N – 119:00.00E, Around 4.3nm SE of Pulau Sibuan, Sabah, Malaysia | Armed persons in a speed boat approached, fired upon and boarded the tug towing a barge underway. One crew was injured. The armed persons kidnapped four crew and escaped. The Malaysian Marine Police escorted the tug to a safe port and transferred the injured crew to a hospital for medical treatment. The kidnapped crew were released on 12 May 2016. |
| 12. | 16.04.2016 0345 LT Steaming Boarded | Lewek Champion Pipe Layer Singapore 25112 9377377 | 01:23N – 104:28E, Around 10nm East of Pulau Lima, Johor, Malaysia | Five unauthorized persons were noticed by the duty crew onboard a pipe laying barge. The persons tried to communicate with the duty crew in their local dialect. One of the persons was armed with a metal rod. The duty crew did not respond and the persons walked towards the stern. The duty crew retreated and informed the duty officer who in turn raised the alarm, made PA announcement and crew mustered. A search |

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| | | | | was carried out throughout the ship. No unauthorized persons located and nothing reported stolen. Incident reported to the Authorities. |
| 13. | 19.04.2016 0247 LT Anchored Boarded | Name Withheld Chemical Tanker Saudi Arabia 29168 - | 03:56N – 098:45E, Belawan Anchorage, Indonesia | Duty AB on routine rounds noticed a robber on the forecastle deck and informed the OOW who raised the alarm. Upon hearing the alarm, the robber escaped. All crew mustered and a thorough search was made. Incident was reported to the port control. No response received. |
| 14. | 25.04.2016 0400 LT Anchored Boarded | J.F.J. De Nul Dredger Luxemburg 9497 9260677 | 01:09.35N – 103:56.68E, Batu Ampar Anchorage, Pulau Batam, Indonesia | Four robbers in a wooden boat approached and boarded an anchored dredger via the stern. They stole ship's properties and escaped. Incident reported to the coastal state. The authorities boarded the ship on the following day for investigations. |
| 15. | 04.05.2016 0500 LT Anchored Boarded | Alpha Effort Bulk Carrier Greece 38564 9189081 | 00:15S – 117:40E, Samarinda Anchorage, Indonesia | Four robbers armed with knives boarded the ship at anchor. They tied up the duty AB on patrol. Alarm raised and crew mustered. The robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. |
| 16. | 04.05.2016 0330 LT Steaming Boarded | SBI Rumba Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 45200 9712498 | 01:20S – 116:52E, Balikpapan Inner Anchorage, Indonesia | Robbers boarded the ship underway, stole ship's stores and property and escaped. The theft was noticed by the duty crew on routine rounds. |
| 17. | 07.05.2016 2045 LT Steaming Hijacked | Hai Soon 12 Product Tanker Cook Islands 3243 9078751 | 02:04.48S – 108:39.27E, Around 21nm South of Pulau Serutu, Indonesia | A tanker, enroute from Singapore to Sunda Straits was boarded by armed pirates. They took hostage all crew members and hijacked the tanker. As the Owners failed to receive the updates from the Master, they reported the incident to the IMB PRC who in turn reported and liaised with the Indonesian Authorities. The IMB PRC sent a broadcast to all ships to look out for the missing tanker. The Indonesian Navy dispatched their patrol boats, located and intercepted the tanker and rescued the crew. Nine pirates detained. All crew reported safe. |
| 18. | 08.05.2016 2050 LT Steaming Boarded | Tristen Chemical Tanker Panama 1997 9104445 | 03:20N – 109:36E, Around 48nm NE of Pulau Subi Besar, Indonesia | While enroute from Labuan to Kuantan, 3/E onboard the tanker noticed unauthorized persons trying to enter the accommodation and immediately informed the D/O who in raised the alarm and switched on all deck lights. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. Nothing reported stolen. |
| 19. | 18.05.2016 0001 - 0400 LT Anchored Boarded | Name Withheld Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 41586 - | 00:14S – 117:34E, Samarinda Anchorage, Indonesia | A robber boarded an anchored ship unnoticed, stole ship's properties and escaped. The incident was discovered later by the crew during routine rounds. |
| 20. | 19.05.2016 0430 LT Anchored Boarded | Polar Duchess Research Vessel Cyprus 7142 9378216 | 01:11N – 103:57E, Batam Anchorage, Indonesia | Four robbers in a small craft boarded an anchored ship, stole ship's properties and escaped. |

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| 21. | 21.05.2016 0330 LT Anchored Boarded | Fairmount Summit Tug Netherlands 3239 9315575 | 01:10N – 103:58E, Batam Anchorage, Indonesia | Six robbers in a skiff approached and came alongside an anchored tug. Four robbers wearing ski masks managed to board the vessel. Duty watchman noticed the robbers and informed the D/O on the bridge who raised the alarm and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped. Nothing reported stolen. |
| 22. | 21.05.2016 0130 LT Anchored Boarded | Torm Ragnhild Product Tanker Singapore 30018 9290579 | 06:02.5S – 106:54.0E, Jakarta Tanker Anchorage, Indonesia | Robbers boarded an anchored tanker, stole ship's properties and escaped unnoticed. After berthing, the theft was discovered by the third mate during routine rounds. Additional checks reveals that the robbery probably took place between 0100 LT to 0330 LT during heavy rain. |
| 23. | 02.06.2016 2300 LT Steaming Hijacked | Ever Prosper Tug Malaysia 126 - Ever Dignity Barge Malaysia 2104 - | 03:07.24N – 112:35.14E, Around 11nm NNE of Balingian, Sarawak, Malaysia | Armed persons in two speed boats approached and boarded the tug towing a barge laden with a cargo of crude palm kernel oil (CPKO). They took hostage all crew members, tied them up, damaged all vessel's communication equipment and hijacked the vessels. As the Owners were unable to contact the tug, they reported the incident to the MMEA. In addition to stealing the cargo it was reported that crew valuables were also stolen. One crew was reported injured during the incident. MMEA patrol boats escorted the vessels to a safe port for investigation. |
| 24. | 16.06.2016 0300 LT Anchored Boarded | Fjell Heavy Lift Vessel Netherlands 15751 8766296 | 01:10N – 103:57E, Around 2.5nm West of Batu Ampar, Batam Island, Indonesia | Four robbers armed with guns boarded an anchored ship, held hostage the duty AB at gun point, stole ship's engine spares and escaped. Theft reported to the authorities via the ship's agent. |
| 25. | 18.06.2016 0110 LT Anchored Boarded | UACC Marah Product Tanker Marshall Islands 29279 9489091 | 01:41.9N – 101:29.2E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia | Three robbers boarded an anchored tanker. Duty AB on routine rounds noticed the robbers and informed the D/O who raised the alarm and crew mustered. One of the robbers rushed towards the duty AB and threatened him with a knife not to make any movements. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers jumped overboard and escaped with their accomplices in their boat. A search was made throughout the tanker. The padlock to the steering gear room entrance was found broken, but nothing reported stolen. Attempts made to call the port control via vhf channel received no response. |
| 26. | 21.06.2016 0540 LT Anchored Boarded | Anna-Maria Bulk Carrier Liberia 30811 9407469 | 01:41.45N – 101:30.37E, Dumai Inner Anchorage, Indonesia | Three robbers armed with knives boarded an anchored ship. Two robbers managed to enter the engine room via the open skylight. They threatened the duty oiler with knives and ordered him not to raise the alarm. The robbers then stole engine spares and escaped. After the robbers left the oiler informed the D/O who in turn raised the |

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| | | | | alarm and crew mustered. No injuries to crew members. Incident reported to local authorities. |
| 27. | 28.06.2016 1945 UTC Steaming Boarded | Chamtang Product Tanker Panama 23784 9212400 | 03:00N – 105:10E, Around 26nm WSW of Mangkai Island, Indonesia | Ten pirates boarded the tanker and entered the bridge as the 2/Off was altering course. They held the 2/Off and the duty AB hostage at gun point and beat them. They then took the 2/Off to the Master's cabin and took the Master and the other crew hostage as well. The pirates stole the GPS and Navtex equipment and removed the cabling from the remaining satellite communication equipment. Before leaving they stole cash and other personal effects from the crew and released the Master. |
| 28. | 10.07.2016 0500 LT Anchored Boarded | Vishva Nidhi Bulk Carrier India 33170 9464742 | 03:41.17S – 114:25.20E, Taboneo Anchorage, Indonesia | Robbers boarded an anchored ship unnoticed and escaped with ship's stores. The theft was discovered by the duty crew while performing routine rounds. Two mooring ropes were reported stolen. Port control informed. |
| 29. | 16.07.2016 1230 LT Berthed Boarded | Atlantic Diana Product Tanker Hong Kong 29266 9332171 | New Davao Oil Mill Berth, Davao Port, Philippines | Three robbers armed with knives boarded the berthed tanker. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with ship's properties. Port Authorities informed through the local agents. |
| 30. | 16.07.2016 2220 LT Steaming Boarded | Baltimore Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 89523 9331464 | 02:55N – 105:19E, Around 18nm SW of Pulau Mangkai, Indonesia | Seven persons armed with knives boarded the ship while enroute to Lanshan. They tied up the Master and escaped with stolen cash, ship's properties and crew personal belongings. |
| 31. | 24.07.2016 2220 LT Anchored Boarded | SBI Thalia Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 36336 9704843 | 00:13.4S – 117:33.9E, Samarinda Anchorage, Indonesia | Three robbers in a small wooden motor boat approached and boarded an anchored ship. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. A search was carried out throughout the ship. Incident reported to port control and the port police arrived at the location for investigation. |
| 32. | 28.07.2016 0520 LT Berthed Boarded | Fairchem Birdie Product Tanker Marshall Islands 15192 9423724 | SDS Terminal, Lubuk Gaung, Indonesia | Six robbers armed with knives boarded the berthed tanker and entered the engine room. They took hostage the Oiler and 3/E, stole ship's spares and 3/E's personal effects and escaped. Incident reported to the Port Control. |
| 33. | 07.08.2016 2130 LT Steaming Boarded | AD Matsu Asphalt Tanker Singapore 3609 9523782 | 02:00.9N – 104:52.9E, Around 32nm SE of Pulau Aur, Johor, Malaysia | While enroute from Singapore to Haiphong, an asphalt tanker was boarded by five pirates armed with guns and knives. The Master and C/O were taken hostage and taken to the bridge. The remaining crew were forced to muster in the crew mess room and were threatened at gun point. Master was forced to switched off the Bridge Navigational Watch Alarm System (BNWAS) and was ordered to slow down the tanker. The pirates then took the Master to his cabin and stole ship's cash and locked |

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| | | | | him in the mess room with other crew. The pirates ransacked the crew cabins and escaped with crew cash and personal belongings. The Master and crew later emerged from the mess room and activated the SSAS, informed their head office and made an announcement on VHF channel 16 to alert other ships in the vicinity. Incident reported to Authorities. |
| 34. | 02.09.2016 0820 LT Berthed Boarded | Maersk Torshavn Product Tanker Singapore 29455 9718088 | 07:09.7N – 125:39.6E, New Davao Oil Mill Terminal, Davao Port, Philippines | Duty crew on the berthed tanker noticed a robber onboard and raised the alarm. Seeing the crew alertness, the robber escaped with stolen ship's properties. |
| 35. | 06.09.2016 2335 LT Anchored Boarded | Camila Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 21532 9701231 | 01:43.3N – 101:26.0E, Dumai Inner Anchorage, Indonesia | Four armed robbers boarded an anchored ship and entered the engine room via the funnel door. They threatened the duty oiler with knives and tied him up. The robbers then stole engine spares and escaped. After the robbers left, the oiler managed to free himself and alerted the duty officer who in turn raised the alarm. No injuries to crew members. Incident reported to port authorities. |
| 36. | 08.09.2016 0345 LT Anchored Boarded | Taurus Sun Tanker Liberia 59164 9332822 | 01:41.8N – 101:29.7E, Dumai Inner Anchorage, Indonesia | Four robbers armed with knives boarded an anchored tanker and entered into the engine room. Duty 2/E noticed the robbers and informed the D/O on the bridge who raised the alarm and all crew mustered. On hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped through the steering gear room with ship's spares. Port control informed. |
| 37. | 14.09.2016 0500 LT Berthed Boarded | Promise 2 Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 22927 9571272 | 01:44N – 101:23E, Private Jetty, PT Semen Padang, Dumai, Indonesia | Five robbers wearing masks boarded the berthed ship during cargo operations. Duty crew noticed the robbers were armed with long knives and appeared to be aggressive. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped. Local agents and port security informed. |
| 38. | 16.09.2016 Morning Hours Anchored Boarded | Lady Melinda Offshore Tug Singapore 3100 9275713 | 00:43.5N – 104:10.5E, Galang, Batam, Indonesia | During routine rounds on an anchored OSV, the Chief Engineer noticed the spares cabinet and lockers broken into and some items missing. The incident was reported to the authorities who boarded the vessel and inspected the vessel. |
| 39. | 25.09.2016 0230 LT Anchored Boarded | Pacific Noble Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 17009 9615066 | 07:46S – 109:04E, Cilacap Anchorage, Indonesia | Three robbers armed with long knives boarded an anchored ship. They took hostage the duty AB, threatened and tied him with the gangway railing. Then, they entered into the engine room, took hostage and tied up the duty 2/E and oiler. The oiler managed to free himself and raised the alarm. The robbers escaped with the stolen engine spares. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. No injuries to crew members. Incident was reported to Port Authorities. |

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| 1. | 01.01.2016 1600 LT Anchored Boarded | Nord Power Bulk Carrier Singapore 88594 9271626 | 34:48N – 118:19E, Tianjin Outer Anchorage, China | Robbers boarded an anchored ship, stole part of the ship's fuel and escaped unnoticed. The theft was discovered by the duty crew who noticed the open manhole cover. Incident reported to port authority and local agent. |
| 2. | 05.01.2016 0500 LT Anchored Boarded | Trident Challenger Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 33044 9555149 | 20:41.15N – 107:10.32E, Hon Gai Anchorage, Vietnam | Robbers boarded an anchored ship, stole ship's stores and properties and escaped unnoticed. Theft was discovered by the duty crew. |
| 3. | 07.01.2016 0155 LT Anchored Boarded | IVS Sentosa Bulk Carrier Singapore 20809 9528005 | 20:43N – 107:09E, Hon Cam Anchorage, Vietnam | During routine rounds onboard an anchored ship, the duty AB heard voices near the forecastle. As he went to investigate, he saw three men with knives approaching him. The AB managed to safely retreat to the accommodation and informed the duty officer who sounded the ship's whistle and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. Local authorities and agents informed. |
| 4. | 23.04.2016 0145 LT Anchored Boarded | Sea Holly Tanker Marshall Islands 58070 9266865 | 37:50.5N – 120:01.9E, Longkou Anchorage, China | Duty AB on routine rounds noticed a hose pipe inserted into a diesel oil tank. OOW on the bridge informed and alarm raised. Upon hearing the alarm, the robbers pulled the hose out and escaped. |
| 5. | 27.03.2016 0610 LT Berthed Boarded | SBI Athena Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 36336 9704829 | Yangzhou Conch Terminal, China | Robbers disguised as stevedores boarded the berthed ship during cargo operations and escaped with ship's properties. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the theft and raised the alarm. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. Incident reported to port authorities through local agents. |
| 6. | 24.04.2016 1900 LT Berthed Boarded | SBI Tango Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 34835 9714707 | 35:21.5N – 119:32.0E, Rizhao Port, China | An unauthorised person boarded the berthed ship during cargo operations. Duty crew noticed the person hiding on the poop deck area and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the person jumped overboard and escaped. Upon searching the ship, it was reported that ship's stores were stolen. Master informed to the local agent. |
| 7. | 29.04.2016 0020 - 0140 LT Anchored Boarded | Warrambo Ore Carrier Japan 132512 9621340 | 38:55.5N – 119:13.8E, Jingtang Anchorage, China | Duty crew onboard an anchored ship noticed the level gauges for the diesel oil tanks lower than normal. The diesel oil tank vents were found damaged with indications of oil being stolen. Incident reported to port authority through the local agents. Upon berthing, the police boarded the ship for investigation. |
| 8. | 09.05.2016 2106 LT Anchored Boarded | Haydn Container Madeira 27786 9308429 | 10:11N – 107:04E, Mui Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam | Robbers boarded an anchored ship and stole ship's stores. The alarm was raised and the robbers escaped. Port control informed. |

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| 9. | 29.07.2016 2300 LT Anchored Boarded | Pacific Jasmine Bulk Carrier Panama 15243 9487550 | 10:16.03N – 107:01.83E, Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam | Robbers boarded an anchored ship. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers. Seeing the alert crew, robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. A search was carried out. Incident reported to VTIS Vung Tau. |
| 10. | 07.08.2016 0005 LT Anchored Boarded | Atlantica Bulk Carrier Malta 28693 9216509 | 10:15.50N – 107:01.26E, Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam | Three robbers in a small boat approached and boarded an anchored ship. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. All crew mustered on the main deck. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped in their boat, with stolen ship's stores. Port Control informed. |
| 11. | 27.09.2016 0220 LT Anchored Boarded | Apollo Rikuyo General Cargo Panama 6925 9370355 | 10:15.3N – 107:01.0E, Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam | Duty AB on routine rounds onboard an anchored ship noticed three robbers near the paint locker. While two robbers stole paint drums, the third armed with a gun and a jungle bolo stood watch. The AB afraid for his safety, hid near the windlass until the three robbers escaped in a small boat. Alarm raised, crew mustered and a search was carried out. Incident reported to Vung Tau VTS and Port Control. |

INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT

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| 1. | 07.01.2016 1935 LT Anchored Boarded | Shebelle General Cargo Ethiopia 20471 9385594 | 22:49N – 070:04E, Kandla Anchorage, India | Robbers boarded an anchored ship unnoticed. Duty deck crew on routine rounds heard voices and immediately informed the OOW who in turn raised the alarm, sounded the fog horn and mustered the crew. Hearing the alarm and seeing the alerted crew the robbers escaped empty handed. Port authorities and coast guard informed. |
| 2. | 11.01.2016 2355 LT Anchored Boarded | Bow Kiso Chemical Tanker Panama 19420 9379894 | Kandla Anchorage, India | Duty watchman onboard an anchored tanker noticed a small boat loitering near the tanker. Later eight persons were seen near the forecastle store armed with knives. Alarm raised, crew mustered on bridge and coast guard / port authorities informed. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped without stealing anything. |
| 3. | 11.01.2016 2030 LT Anchored Boarded | CMB Medoc Bulk Carrier Panama 50633 9615171 | 22:46.5N – 069:59.0E, Kandla OTB Anchorage, Kandla Port, India | During cargo operations, robbers boarded an anchored ship unnoticed, stole ship's properties and escaped. The theft was noticed by the crew while securing the deck. Incident reported to local authorities. |
| 4. | 23.01.2016 0630 LT Anchored Boarded | Serjeant LPG Tanker Singapore 47347 9694634 | 17:39N – 083:24E, Visakhapatnam Anchorage, India | Duty crew onboard an anchored tanker on routine rounds, noticed foot marks on the upper deck aft area. Alarm raised and a thorough search was made. It was reported that ship's properties were stolen from the stores. Port control was informed. |

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| 5. | 25.01.2016 0130 LT Anchored Boarded | Dawn Madurai Product Tanker India 28414 9116383 | 22:47N – 070:02E, Around 12nm SW of Kandla, India | Five robbers armed with knives boarded an anchored tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers near the forecandle and informed the OOW who raised the alarm. All crew mustered and proceeded towards the forecandle. Seeing the alert crew, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. Kandla Port Control informed. |
| 6. | 28.01.2016 0300 LT Anchored Boarded | Pomer Product Tanker Croatia 30638 9455739 | 22:49N – 070:07E, Kandla Outer Anchorage, India | Six robbers in a small boat approached and boarded an anchored tanker using a grappling hook. Alert duty crew noticed the robbers and raised the alarm, sounded ship's whistle and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped in their boat without stealing anything. Incident reported to port control. |
| 7. | 08.02.2016 0405 LT Anchored Boarded | Excelsior Bay Product Tanker Marshall Islands 29735 9697612 | 22:47N – 070:00E, Kandla Outer Anchorage, India | Five robbers in a boat approached an anchored tanker. Two robbers boarded the tanker using a grappling hook attached to a rope. Duty officer on bridge noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped in their boat with their accomplices. A thorough search was made throughout the tanker. Cargo sampling equipment was reported stolen. Port control informed. |
| 8. | 14.02.2016 0015 LT Anchored Boarded | SBI Maia Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 34447 9705304 | 22:46N – 070:00E, SW of Tuna Buoy Anchorage, Kandla, India | Four robbers boarded an anchored ship using a grappling hook attached with a rope. The duty AB on routine rounds noticed the robbers trying to break open a store's padlock. He immediately informed the bridge. Alarm raised, PA announcement made and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped empty handed. Kandla Tower informed. |
| 9. | 15.02.2016 0630 LT Berthed Boarded | Songa Falcon Product Tanker Marshall Islands 8505 9482653 | 22:02N – 088:06E, Haldia Oil Jetty No. 1, India | An unknown number of robbers boarded the berthed tanker, stole ship's stores and escaped. The robbery was noticed when the crew approached the aft stations to adjust the mooring ropes. Incident reported to authorities. |
| 10. | 19.02.2016 1445 LT Steaming Boarded | Pacific Warlock Tug Singapore 2327 9250048 | 21:14.4N – 072:16.6E, Around 11nm SSE of Alang, India | Robbers in four fishing vessels approached and boarded a rig towed by the tug underway. The tug's crew noticed the robbers stealing the rig's properties. After around one hour five minutes, another two fishing vessels came alongside the rig. The tug raised the alarm, sounded five short blast, crew mustered and VTS and local police were informed. |
| 11. | 30.04.2016 0650 LT Anchored Boarded | New Challenge Tanker Marshall Islands 41994 9298284 | 17:35.4N – 083:24.9E, Visakhapatnam Anchorage, India | Robbers in a boat approached and boarded an anchored tanker awaiting berthing instructions. Duty watchman noticed two robbers on the poop deck trying to open the deck locker. He immediately informed the D/O who raised the alarm and made a PA |

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| | | | | announcement. The crew mustered and approached the location. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped. A search was made throughout the tanker. The paint locker was found broken into and ship's property stolen. Port control informed. |
| 12. | 08.05.2016 0730 LT Anchored Boarded | Lycaste Peace LPG Tanker Panama 46021 9249336 | 17:37.1N – 083:22.0E, Visakhapatnam Anchorage, India | Three persons in a fishing boat approached an anchored tanker. They boarded the tanker using a heaving line attached to a hook. Alert OOW noticed the persons and ordered them to leave. The persons tried to explain that their intention was to stay on ship's stern and fishing but disembarked shortly after they were told to leave. Master suspected intention to steal ship's stores. |
| 13. | 14.05.2016 0400 LT Berthed Boarded | Gas Snapper LPG Tanker Marshall Islands 22978 9447794 | 23:02N – 070:13E, Berth Iffco-5, Kandla Port, India | A robber boarded the berthed tanker, stole ship's properties and escaped. The incident was discovered later by the crew during routine rounds. |
| 14. | 14.06.2016 0140 LT Anchored Boarded | Sicilia Container Liberia 21018 9430935 | 22:08N – 091:44E, Chittagong 'C' Anchorage, Bangladesh | Five robbers boarded an anchored ship. Security watchmen noticed the robbers armed with long knives on the poop deck and informed the duty officer. Alarm raised and whistle sounded. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. |
| 15. | 03.07.2016 Night Hours Berthed Boarded | Ocean Opal Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 44098 9625243 | Berth No.4B, Haldia Port, India | Robbers boarded the berthed ship, entered into the engine room, stole engine spares and escaped unnoticed. The theft was noticed on 06 Jul 2016 after the ship sailed out. Upon investigation it was reported that all stores were accounted for on 02 Jul 2016 and it was suspected the theft may have occurred on 03 Jul 2016 before the ship sailed out. Authorities informed through the local agents. |
| 16. | 14.09.2016 1500 LT Anchored Boarded | Sea Star Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 33042 9624500 | 22:13N – 091:41E, Chittagong Bravo Anchorage, Bangladesh | Duty crew on the ship carrying out cargo operations at anchorage noticed the store room broken into. Upon alerting the crew and carrying out a search, along with the security crew it was noticed that the mooring gang employed onboard the ship has stolen ship's properties. The robbers were apprehended and disembarked onto the lightering barge. All stolen property recovered. Agent informed. |

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| 1. | 25.01.2016 2355 LT Anchored Boarded | AAL Kobe General Cargo Marshall Islands 23930 | 10:16.3N – 064:34.3W, Guanta Anchorage, | Unnoticed, robber boarded an anchored ship, stole ship's properties and escaped. The incident was discovered later by the duty crew on safety rounds. |

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| | | 9498444 | Venezuela | |
| 2. | 03.02.2016 0200 LT Anchored Boarded | Nord Guardian Product Tanker Denmark 30241 9448712 | 12:00S – 077:12W, Callao Anchorage, Peru | Seven robbers in two speedboats came alongside the tanker. Two robbers boarded the tanker but were spotted by the alert crew resulting in the robbers escaping without stealing anything. |
| 3. | 05.02.2016 0350 LT Anchored Boarded | CMA CGM Homere Container United Kingdom 17594 9362322 | Georgetown Anchorage, Guyana | While at anchor robbers armed with knives boarded the ship and broke into the paint locker. Alert duty crew spotted the robbers and raised the alarm. Master notified the coast guard who dispatched a boat. Seeing the alert crew and the approaching coast guard boat the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. |
| 4. | 23.03.2016 2220 LT Anchored Boarded | Cougar Ace Vehicle Carrier Singapore 55328 9051375 | 12:01S – 077:12W, Callao Anchorage No. 1, Peru | Two robbers wearing face masks boarded an anchored ship preparing for berthing operations. Duty AB on routine rounds noticed some movements near the forecandle store and reported it to the OOW. Master immediately mustered the crew and asked them to investigate. As the crew approached the forecandle, they noticed two robbers jumping overboard with stolen ship's stores. The crew notified the Master that the robbers were wearing a uniform which resembled the shore watchman's uniform. Incident reported to Harbour Master. |
| 5. | 12.04.2016 0400 UTC Anchored Boarded | Federal Lyra Bulk Carrier Panama 31779 9668063 | Buenaventura Inner Anchorage Zone G, Colombia | Three robbers armed with guns and a knife boarded an anchored ship. Duty AB on routine rounds noticed the robbers on the forecandle deck and reported to the OOW. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped with forward liferaft and three lifebuoys. |
| 6. | 21.04.2016 2330 LT Anchored Boarded | Prime Express Product Tanker Panama 28725 9459242 | 12:01.34S – 077:13.32W, Callao Anchorage No.12, Peru | Deck watch keepers on routine rounds noticed a robber attempting to break into the forecandle store. OOW informed, alarm raised, fog horn sounded and crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robber escaped. Nothing reported stolen. |
| 7. | 12.05.2016 2150 LT Anchored Boarded | Irmgard Schulte LPG Tanker Isle of Man 18311 9410624 | 10:11.3N – 064:47.0W, Puerto Jose Anchorage, Barcelona, Venezuela | Four robbers armed with steel pipes boarded an anchored tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped. A search was carried out by the crew. Ship's stores were reported stolen. Incident reported to VTS. |
| 8. | 25.06.2016 0300 – 0600 LT Anchored Boarded | Name Withheld Product Tanker Hong Kong 29266 - | 10:18.7N – 075:32.8W, Mamonal Tanker Anchorage, Colombia | Robbers boarded an anchored tanker and escaped with ship's properties unnoticed. The theft was discovered by the deck crew while performing routine work near the forepeak store. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Investigations indicated the robbers had gained access to the tanker via the hawse pipe. Incident reported to port control and coast guard. |
| 9. | 26.06.2016 0006 LT Anchored Boarded | STH Sydney Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 34321 | 12:01S – 077:11W, Callao Anchorage, | Robbers boarded an anchored ship and escaped with ship's stores unnoticed. The theft was discovered by the duty crew during routine rounds at the forecandle. Incident was |

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| | | 9749245 | Peru | reported to the Port Authorities and Police through the local agents. |
| 10. | 17.07.2016 2115 LT Anchored Boarded | BW Egret Product Tanker Singapore 29768 9607174 | 18:34N – 072:23W, Port Au Prince E Anchorage, Haiti | Robbers in a small boat boarded an anchored tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers jumped overboard and escaped empty handed. |
| 11. | 20.07.2016 0045 LT Anchored Boarded | San Antonio Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 31540 9514066 | Callao Anchorage, Peru | Robbers boarded an anchored ship. Duty OS noticed the robbers at the forecastle and immediately informed the OOW. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped without stealing anything. Incident reported to port control and local agent. |
| 12. | 03.05.2016 0700 UTC Anchored Boarded | Albatross Heavy Load Carrier Marshall Islands 34925 9032496 | 10:18.4N – 075:33.4W, Cartagena Anchorage, Colombia | Robbers boarded an anchored heavy lift carrier, stole ship's stores and escaped unnoticed. The theft was noticed during routine rounds and incident reported to Port Control. |
| 13. | 27.08.2016 0630 UTC Anchored Boarded | Amstel Falcon Bulk Carrier Panama 31508 9460514 | 12:01.0S – 077:10.9W, Callao Anchorage, Peru | Three robbers armed with guns boarded an anchored ship. One crew on routine rounds managed to notify the bridge of the robbers presence before being taken hostage at gunpoint. Alarm raised, SSAS activated and all crew mustered on the bridge. Hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped. Incident reported to the Callao Port Control and the Coast Guard sent a boarding party to investigate. All crew safe. Nothing reported stolen. |
| 14. | 22.09.2016 2350 LT Anchored Boarded | Americas Spirit Tanker Bahamas 63213 9247443 | 10:09.7N – 064:46.8W, Barcelona Anchorage, Venezuela | Around four small fishing vessels were engaged in fishing around an anchored tanker. Robbers disguised as fishermen approached and boarded the tanker, stole ship's properties and escaped unnoticed. The theft was noticed during routine rounds by the duty crew. A search was made throughout the tanker and the incident was reported to Port Control. Authorities boarded the tanker for investigation. |
| 15. | 02.09.2016 0200 LT Anchored Boarded | Century Melody Bulk Carrier Panama 9993 9580211 | 18:34.4N – 072:32.6W, Port Au Prince Anchorage, Haiti | Two robbers boarded an anchored ship and threatened duty crew with a long knife and stones. Alarm raised and all crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew the robbers escaped in a small boat with stolen ship's stores. Incident reported to Port Au Prince Authority. |

AFRICA (EXCLUDING SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

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| 1. | 15.01.2016 0540 UTC Steaming Boarded | Ajemisan Offshore Tug Nigeria 1570 | 04:05N – 005:25E, Around 30nm SW of Bayelsa, | Ten pirates in a speedboat chased and fired upon the tug underway. The crew retreated and locked themselves in the safe area. The pirates boarded the tug, damaged its |

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| | | 9688051 | Nigeria | navigation equipment, stole crew's personal effect and cash and escaped. |
| 2. | 24.01.2016 0418 UTC Anchored Boarded | Sea Lion I Product Tanker Marshall Islands 8503 9326639 | 05:50.5S – 013:25.9E, Ango Ango Anchorage, Democratic Republic of the Congo | Two robbers boarded an anchored tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers and informed the bridge. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers aborted and escaped without stealing anything. |
| 3. | 29.01.2016 2236 UTC Steaming Hijacked | Leon Dias Product Tanker Liberia 5720 9279927 | 02:30N – 005:35E, Around 110nm SSW of Bayelsa, Nigeria | Armed pirates attacked and hijacked the tanker underway enroute from Lome to Bata. The Owners lost communication with the tanker and reported to the IMB PRC who in turn notified and liaise with the authorities in the region. It was reported that the pirates shot and seriously injured one crew member. Before escaping the pirates damaged the communication equipment and kidnapped five crew members. The remaining crew members managed to sail the tanker to Benin where a navy patrol boat assisted in the evacuation of the injured crew member. The tanker was then escorted to Cotonou anchorage for investigation. The kidnapped crew were release on 22 Feb 2016. |
| 4. | 09.02.2016 0210 LT Anchored Boarded | SFL Clyde Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 19998 9455911 | 05:52S – 013:02E, Boma Anchorage, Democratic Republic of the Congo | Four robbers armed with knives in a motor boat approached and boarded an anchored ship. The duty crew on watch noticed the robbers and informed the OOW who in turn raised the alarm and crew were mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. Attempts to contact port control received no response. |
| 5. | 11.02.2016 1510 LT Steaming Boarded | Nave Jupiter Product Tanker Marshall Islands 29724 9657038 | 03:35N – 005:42E, Around 54nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | A tanker underway spotted two skiffs approaching from the stern. Master raised the alarm, increased speed, commenced evasive manoeuvres and contacted the CSO. As the skiffs closed in, weapons and ladders were noticed. The pirates opened fire at the superstructure and threw handmade explosive devices onto the main deck, which did not explode. Three pirates managed to board the tanker using a ladder and fired several rounds. Non-essential crew retreated into the citadel. Master continued with the evasive manoeuvres. The pirates cut off the fuel to the main engines and generators. Master instructed the bridge team to go to the citadel. The pirates tried to gain access to the citadel but failed. Before escaping the pirates damaged all the communication equipment and stole crew personal effects. The Nigerian navy boarded the tanker and rescued the crew members. No injuries reported. The tanker sailed to a safe port. |

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| 6. | 11.02.2016 2000 UTC Steaming Hijacked | Maximus Product Tanker Panama 4535 9387164 | 04:00N – 004:00W, Around 77nm South of Abidjan, Ivory Coast | Fourteen armed pirates boarded and hijacked the tanker underway. All crew taken hostage. The pirates ransacked all the cabins and stole crew personal effects. Eight pirates disembarked the tanker on the high seas with two kidnapped crew members. A Togo navy patrol boat was able to make contact and took a picture of the tanker. As the pirates had repainted the tanker's name and provided false information to the Togo navy, a picture of the tanker was sent to the owners for verification. As the tanker sailed into the Nigerian EEZ waters, the Togo navy handed over the co-ordination to the Nigerian navy who dispatched a warship to shadow the tanker. On 20 Feb 2016, the Nigerian navy boarded the tanker. After an exchange of gunfire, the pirates surrendered and the crew were rescued. One pirate was reported killed. The kidnapped crew were released on 20 March 2016. Throughout the incident the IMB PRC liaised and shared information with the Regional Authorities, vessel owner and the flag state. |
| 7. | 26.02.2016 1607 UTC Steaming Boarded | Jascon 67 Offshore Tug Nigeria 1922 9690779 | 03:51N – 004:39E, Around 74nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | An offshore tug underway noticed a speed boat being launched from a mother vessel. Five armed pirates approached and boarded the tug. Alarm and SSAS activated. All crew members retreated into the citadel. The pirates damaged the securing doors, entered the accommodation and ransacked and stole crew personal belongings. Before leaving the vessel they destroyed all the navigation and communication equipment. The crew emerged from the citadel after around 10 hours and managed to sail the vessel to a safe port |
| 8. | 03.03.2016 0445 LT Berthed Boarded | Canal Street Product Tanker Liberia 28426 9539561 | 04:04.6S – 039:39.8E, Mbaraki Wharf North, Mombasa, Kenya | A robber armed with a knife boarded the berthed tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robber, who threatened him and escaped with ship's stores. The duty crew informed the OOW. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Mombasa port control informed. |
| 9. | 05.03.2016 0900 LT Steaming Boarded | Madonna 1 Chemical Tanker Panama 11438 9407031 | 04:05N – 006:41E, Around 32nm SW of Bonny Island, Nigeria | Ten armed pirates in a black speed boat approached and opened fire at the tanker underway. They boarded the tanker using a grappling hook and ladder. Alarm raised and non-essential crew members retreated to the citadel. Pirates kidnapped four crew members and left. The kidnapped crew members were released on 27 March 2016. |
| 10. | 26.03.2016 0040 LT Steaming Boarded | Sampatiki Product Tanker Liberia 5031 9405772 | 04:20N – 005:10E, Around 31nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, | Eight armed pirates boarded the tanker underway. They ransacked all the cabins, stole crew personal effects and kidnapped five crew members including the Master. |

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| | | | Nigeria | The kidnapped crew were released on 9 May 2016. |
| 11. | 11.04.2016 0130 LT Steaming Boarded | Puli Product Tanker Malta 10910 9330434 | 02:48.4N – 006:40.9E, Around 118nm SSW of Port Harcourt, Nigeria | Eight pirates in a speed boat armed with rifles boarded the tanker underway while enroute from Douala port to Abidjan port. They stole cash, ship's properties, crew personal belongings and kidnapped six crew members before escaping. The tanker continued her passage towards a safe port. No injuries to crew. The kidnapped crew were released on 25 April 2016. |
| 12. | 11.04.2016 2056 LT Steaming Boarded | CMA CGM Turquoise Container Liberia 40560 9386471 | 04:08.02N – 005:23.05E, Around 30nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Armed pirates boarded the ship underway. Master raised the alarm, activated SSAS and all crew members, except for two crew, mustered in the citadel. The Owners sent a message to the IMB PRC reporting that they had lost contact with the ship. The IMB PRC immediately informed and liaised with the Nigerian Authorities and transmitted a warning broadcast to ships at sea. After about 12 hours, the crew emerged from the citadel. Two crew were reported kidnapped. The Nigerian navy boarded the ship for investigations. All other crew safe. The kidnapped crew were released on 19 May 2016. |
| 13. | 19.04.2016 0717 LT Steaming Boarded | Armada Tuah 101 Offshore Supply Malaysia 2147 9387293 | 03:30N – 004:50E, Around 97nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | Pirates attacked and boarded the vessel underway. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Non-essential crews retreated into the citadel. Pirates robbed and kidnapped two crew members. All remaining crew were reported safe and the vessel proceeded to a safe port. The kidnapped crew were released on 03 June 2016. |
| 14. | 20.04.2016 0530 UTC Steaming Boarded | Name Withheld Offshore Supply Bahamas 2465 - | 03:39N – 006:08E, Around 39nm SxW of Brass, Nigeria | Pirates attacked and boarded the vessel underway. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Non-essential crews retreated into the citadel. Pirates escaped before Nigerian Navy boarded the vessel. All crew reported safe. Vessel escorted to a safe port by Nigerian Navy. |
| 15. | 25.04.2016 0200 LT Anchored Boarded | Horizon Geobay Research Survey Vessel Panama 3502 7801556 | 04:45S – 011:50E, Pointe Noire Inner Anchorage, The Congo | Two robbers boarded an anchored ship, stole ship's properties and escaped. |
| 16. | 02.05.2016 0110 LT Berthed Boarded | Pacific Zircon Product Tanker Liberia 28426 9539573 | Mombasa Port, Kenya | One robber boarded the berthed tanker. Alert crew noticed the robber and raised the alarm. Crew mustered and rushed to the location. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robber escaped with stolen ship's stores. Incident reported to Harbour Master. A police boat searched the area. |
| 17. | 11.05.2016 0131 UTC Anchored Boarded | Sea Emperor Product Tanker Marshall Islands 8503 | 06:05.7N – 001:15.0E, Lome Anchorage, | About seven robbers in a wooden boat approached an anchored tanker. One robber managed to board the tanker using a manrope. Alert crew noticed the robbers |

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| | | 9383601 | Togo | and informed the D/O who in turn raised the alarm and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robber escaped empty handed with his accomplices in their boat. Togo navy informed. |
| 18. | 23.05.2016 2000 LT Berthed Boarded | Berlian Ekuator LPG Tanker Panama 22209 9265548 | Island View Berth No.9, Durban Port, South Africa | An unauthorized person disguised as a bunker crew boarded the berthed tanker while ship's crew were busy with bunkering operations. He entered the accommodation and stole crew cash and properties from the cabins. Incident reported to port control. |
| 19. | 13.06.2016 2145 LT Anchored Boarded | NGOL Cunene Product Tanker Belize 737 9033593 | 08:44.7S – 013:17.9E, Luanda Anchorage, Angola | A robber boarded an anchored tanker and managed to transfer ship's stores into his boat. Alarm sounded and the crew were able to detain the robber. Port officials and the local police were informed and the robber arrested. |
| 20. | 03.07.2016 0450 LT Anchored Boarded | Teal Heavy Lift Vessel Curacao 22835 8113566 | 09:23.6N – 013:41.9W, Conakry Anchorage, Guinea | Six robbers in a boat armed with machine guns and knives boarded an anchored ship. They attacked the duty O/S causing injuries and took the 2/O hostage. They opened fire to threaten the crew members and damaged the accommodation. Under gun threat, they robbed the crew members of their cash and personal belongings before escaping. Master tried to contact the port control, but received no response. The incident was reported to Port Authorities through the local agents. After an hour a security boat came to the location. |
| 21. | 08.07.2016 2220 LT Berthed Boarded | Torm Thyra Product Tanker Singapore 30128 9250488 | 06:25N – 003:22E, Folawiyo Nispan Jetty, Apapa, Lagos, Nigeria | A robber armed with a knife boarded the berthed tanker at forward main deck. D/O raised the alarm, sounded ship's whistle and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robber escaped empty handed in a waiting boat with his accomplices. Port Authorities informed through the local agents. |
| 22. | 17.07.2016 0245 LT Anchored Boarded | Lewek Constellation Pipe Layer Panama 48949 9629756 | 04:47.0S – 011:47.9E, Pointe Noire Anchorage, The Congo | A robber armed with a knife in a small boat boarded an anchored Pipe Laying barge. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robber and informed the bridge. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robber jumped overboard and escaped. A search was carried out and it was reported that ship's stores was stolen. Incident reported to Port Control. |
| 23. | 04.07.2016 0900 LT Anchored Boarded | Geocean Protis Pipe Layer Panama 16198 - | 04:44S – 011:48E, Pointe Noire Outer Anchorage, The Congo | Robbers in a small boat boarded an anchored pipe laying barge, stole ship's stores and escaped unnoticed. The theft was noticed during routine rounds. |
| 24. | 16.07.2016 0450 LT Anchored Boarded | Geocean Protis Pipe Layer Panama 16198 - | 04:44S – 011:48E, Pointe Noire Outer Anchorage, | Robbers in a fishing canoe boarded an anchored pipe laying barge. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, |

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| | | | The Congo | the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. |
| 25. | 07.07.2016 1430 UTC Steaming Boarded | Prince Joseph 1 Offshore Supply Ship Nigeria 2176 9499319 | 03:05N – 004:53E, Around 98nm SW of Bayelsa, Nigeria | Three pirates armed with guns fired upon and boarded the vessel underway. Alarm raised, distress alert activated and non-essential crew retreated into the citadel. The pirates kidnapped five crew members and escaped with crew personal belongings. One crew was injured during the incident. Nigerian Authorities notified. |
| 26. | 24.07.2016 0515 LT Berthed Boarded | MR Aquarius Product Tanker Marshall Islands 30400 9421324 | 06:26.1N – 003:19.6E, Capital Terminal Berth, Lagos Port, Nigeria | Three robbers in a small boat approached and boarded the berthed tanker. An armed guard on security round on deck noticed the robber and raised the alarm. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robber escaped with his accomplices. A thorough search conducted and nothing reported stolen. Incident reported to Naval Authorities and Terminal PFSO. |
| 27. | 26.07.2016 0338 LT Berthed Boarded | Olympic Hercules Offshore Tug Norway 4477 9235672 | Sekondi Naval Berth, Takoradi, Ghana | A robber armed with a knife in a small boat boarded the berthed offshore tug. Deck crew noticed the robber, raised the alarm and approached the robber. Seeing the approaching crew, the robber escaped. A search was conducted and ship's property reported stolen. Port control informed. |
| 28. | 05.08.2016 0200 LT Berthed Boarded | Harley Product Tanker Marshall Islands 29083 9133082 | Folawiyo Nispan Jetty, Apapa, Lagos, Nigeria | Four robbers armed with long knives boarded the berthed tanker at the forecastle. They took hostage the duty pumpman on routine rounds and threatened him with long knives. The robbers submerged two hoses into the forward tank dome and commenced stealing the cargo. Once the cargo was filled into their boat, the robbers released the pumpman, and escaped. Alarm raised and a search was carried out. |
| 29. | 07.08.2016 0030 LT Anchored Boarded | King Beans Bulk Carrier Panama 17018 9550151 | 04:44.9S – 011:46.3E, Pointe Noire Outer Anchorage, The Congo | Four robbers in a small motor boat approached an anchored ship. Two robbers boarded the ship and broke into the bosun store, which triggered an alarm on the bridge. Duty officer raised the alarm and alerted the piracy watch crew members. Seeing the alerted crew, the two robbers escaped with their accomplices waiting in the boat. Upon investigation, nothing reported stolen. |
| 30. | 13.08.2016 0430 LT Berthed Boarded | Walnut Express Product Tanker Panama 27972 9305348 | 06:26.00N – 003:22.13E, Folawiyo Nispan Jetty, Apapa, Nigeria | Robbers boarded the berthed tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed the robbers and notified the bridge. Alarm was raised and fog horn sounded. Hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped with no stolen item. A search was carried out. Incident reported to NIMASA and Nigerian Navy. |
| 31. | 17.08.2016 1327 LT Steaming Boarded | Vectis Osprey General Cargo Isle of Man 6190 9594315 | 03:54.50N – 007:09.30E, Around 28nm South of Bonny, Nigeria | About nine pirates in a blue wooden speedboat and armed with AK47 attacked and successfully boarded the ship. Master raised the alarm and activated the SSAS and all crew retreated into the citadel. The Managers of the ship immediately |

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| | | | | reported to the IMB PRC. The IMB PRC then liaise with the Nigerian Navy to request for urgent assistance. A naval warship was dispatched to assist the ship. The pirates left when the Nigerian Navy warship intercepted and boarded the ship. The pirates stole ship's properties and crew's personal belongings and cash. The accommodation was damaged due to firing of machine guns. The ship was then escorted to Bonny Anchorage for investigation. All 13 crews were reported safe. |
| 32. | 24.08.2016 0110 LT Anchored Boarded | Aisha Sarwar Bulk Carrier Bangladesh 26612 9200433 | 09:24.5N – 013:43.3W, Around 5.5nm South of Conakry, Guinea | Seven robbers armed with guns and knives boarded an anchored ship. Two crew were taken hostage and beaten. The robbers escaped with crew's cash and properties. Incident reported to the local agent. |
| 33. | 06.09.2016 0350 LT Berthed Boarded | Name Withheld Tanker Panama 28539 - | Jetty No. 10, Beira Port, Mozambique | Crew onboard the berthed tanker noticed robbers stealing ship's properties and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped. |
| 34. | 01.09.2016 0410 LT Anchored Boarded | Olympic Hercules Offshore Tug Norway 4477 9235672 | 04:54N – 001:41W, Takoradi Anchorage, Ghana | Three robbers in a canoe approached an anchored offshore tug. One robber managed to board the vessel and was detected by the CCTV, which triggered the alarm. The robber entered the vessel's work shop, pump room and the crew mess and escaped with stolen ship's properties. Several attempts made to contact the Secondi Naval Base but no response received. |
| 35. | 21.09.2016 0146 LT Anchored Boarded | Windhoek Container Panama 17280 9515591 | 09:18.47N – 013:45.51W, Conakry Anchorage, Guinea | Six robbers armed with guns boarded and fired upon the duty crew onboard an anchored ship. Master activated the SSAS alert, raised the alarm and locked the accommodation. The robbers however, gained access into the ship by breaking the bridge wing windows. After taking the crew hostage, the robbers ransacked and looted every crew cabin, stole crew personal belongings, ship's cash and escaped. The IMB PRC liaised with the Guinea RCC who responded and boarded the ship. All crew reported safe. |

ATTEMPTED ATTACKS

1 January – 30 September 2016

SOUTH EAST ASIA (EXCLUDING MALACCA STRAITS)

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| 1. | 30.03.2016 0130 LT Anchored Attempted | Maratha Promise Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 22863 9422809 | 06:00S – 106:54E, Tg. Priok, Jakarta Anchorage, Indonesia | Three skiffs approached and attempted to board the ship at anchor. Alarm raised and crew mustered. The crew managed to deter the robbers by using the water cannon. |
| 2. | 17.04.2016 2345 LT Anchored Attempted | ANL Darwin Trader General Cargo Cyprus 5272 9372016 | 01:30N – 104:52E, Around 24nm NE of Bintan Island, Indonesia | Four persons in a wooden boat approached and attempted to board an anchored ship. Alarm raised, whistle sounded and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the persons aborted the attempted boarding and moved away. |
| 3. | 21.04.2016 1830 LT Steaming Attempted | Amity Bulk Carrier Panama 94710 9492103 | 10:38N – 120:34E, Around 18nm East of Dalanganem Island, Philippines | Crew onboard the ship underway noticed a speed boat approaching at high speed. Alarm raised, whistle sounded, crew mustered and fire hoses activated. The boat closed to a distance of 40 meters and seeing the alerted crew aborted the approach. |
| 4. | 28.06.2016 0050 LT Anchored Attempted | Karolos Tanker Liberia 85362 9410208 | 01:28S – 116:48E, Balikpapan Anchorage, Indonesia | Two unauthorized persons attempted to board an anchored tanker. Alert duty crew noticed the persons and informed the bridge officer. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the unauthorized persons aborted the boarding. All crew safe. Port control and Pertamina pilots informed. |
| 5. | 19.08.2016 0130 LT Steaming Attempted | Nautica Tg. Puteri XXVII Tug Malaysia 466 9762120 | 01:11N – 103:52E, Singapore Straits | Four armed robbers attempted to board the tug underway. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers aborted the attempt and moved away. |

INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT

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| 1. | 15.05.2016 0242 LT Anchored Attempted | Yadanabon Star Container Liberia 16801 9122057 | 22:06N – 091:45E, Chittagong 'C' Anchorage, Bangladesh | Seven robbers in a small boat came alongside and attempted to board an anchored ship. Alert crew noticed the robbers and informed the D/O who in turn raised the alarm, sounded ship's whistle and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers |

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| 1. | 20.07.2016 0430 LT Anchored Attempted | Danubia Product Tanker Liberia 38975 9258466 | 04:33.9S – 081:18.6W, Talara Roads, Peru | During routine security rounds onboard an anchored tanker the duty crew noticed a small motor boat near the starboard anchor chain with one robber in the boat and another climbing up the anchor chain. He immediately informed the OOW who raised the alarm and directed a search light towards the robbers. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped in their boat. Incident reported to port control. |

AFRICA (SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

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| 1. | 16.05.2016 0512 UTC Steaming Attempted | MSC Tasmania Container Panama 34231 9008574 | 14:45N – 050:58E, Gulf of Aden | A ship underway spotted five skiffs approaching from astern. Master raised the alarm, increase speed and crew mustered. As the skiffs closed to five cables from the ship a ladder was noticed in one approaching skiff. Armed team onboard the ship fired warning shots. Master contacted the authorities and a nearby Japanese warship dispatched its helicopter, which resulted in the skiffs aborting and moving away. |

AFRICA (EXCLUDING SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

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| 1. | 19.01.2016 1000 – 1300 LT Steaming Fired upon | Silver Sky Vehicle Carrier Panama 39043 8519722 | 03:52N – 005:33E, Around 37nm SW of Bayelsa, Nigeria | Pirates in two speed boats chased and fired upon the ship underway. Master raised the alarm and SSAS, mustered all crew and activated the water hoses. After three hours the pirates abandoned the chase. One crew member reported minor injury. Remaining crew safe. |
| 2. | 05.02.2016 0720 LT Steaming Attempted | Pskov LNG Tanker Liberia 113876 9630028 | 04:09.7N – 006:58.3E, Around 16nm SW of Bonny Island, Nigeria | Around seven persons wearing dark boiler suits with red caps in a speed boat chased and attempted to board the tanker underway. Alarm raised, fire hoses activated, Master increased speed to maximum and took evasive manoeuvres. When the speed boat close in to a distance of 10 meters, machine |

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| | | | | guns and a ladder were sighted. Due to the hardening measures taken by the Master, the persons aborted the attempted boarding and moved away. |
| 3. | 11.03.2016 1325 UTC Steaming Attempted | Brightway Tanker Singapore 83824 9588146 | 02:52N – 004:52E, Around 108nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Eight pirates in a boat approached the tanker underway. Master raised the alarm, increased speed, commenced evasive manoeuvres, activated SSAS, sent distress messages and informed the CSO. All non-essential crew members mustered in the citadel. The pirates chased the tanker and told the Master to slow down claiming to be the navy. At a distance of 50 meters, the lookout identified guns and ladders in the boat. The Master continued with the evasive manoeuvres, fired two parachute rockets and continued with the Mayday calls via VHF. Due to the hardening measures of the tanker, the pirates aborted the attempted attack and moved away. Nigerian navy responded on VHF to the distress call. |
| 4. | 11.03.2016 2005 UTC Steaming Fired upon | Glyfada Bulk Carrier Malta 26091 9104586 | 03:03N – 005:03E, Around 96nm SW of Bayelsa, Nigeria | Armed pirates approached and fired upon the drifting ship. Alarm raised, main engine started and non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. After an hour, the pirates aborted the attempt and moved away. All crew safe. |
| 5. | 01.04.2016 1153 LT Steaming Fired upon | Madonna 1 Chemical Tanker Panama 11438 9407031 | 03:54N – 005:41E, Around 41nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | Duty officers onboard the tanker underway noticed a black speed boat approaching. Master raised the alarm, sent distress messages, took anti-piracy preventive measures and crew members locked all entrance doors. As the boat closed in, nine pirates armed with AK47s opened fire and attempted to board several times using ladders and grappling hook attached with a rope. All non-essential crew members mustered in a safe room. The navy was contacted but no response received. The IMB PRC received information from the Owners and immediately requested assistance from the Nigerian navy. Due to the hardening measures taken by the tanker, the pirates aborted the attempted boarding and moved away. No injuries to crew members. |
| 6. | 07.04.2016 0920 UTC Steaming Attempted | Nordic Freedom Tanker Bahamas 83594 9288887 | 03:18.6N – 005:23.9E, Around 78nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | Seven pirates in a wooden speed boat, armed with automatic weapons approached the drifting tanker waiting for cargo loading instructions. The pirates attempted to board the tanker using an aluminium ladder but failed due to the high freeboard. General alarm raised, SSAS activated and crew mustered. The tanker proceeded towards the terminal where the terminal's security boat was available as escort. |
| 7. | 10.04.2016 1000 LT Steaming Attempted | Ottoman Equity Tanker Turkey 79934 9404950 | 03:17.8N – 005:31.0E, Around 74nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | Seven pirates in a skiff approached the drifting tanker. The pirates came alongside and attempted to board the tanker using a metal expandable ladder but failed due to the tanker's high freeboard. Alarm raised, fire |

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| | | | | pump activated, crew mustered and all entrance doors locked. Master contacted the terminal via vhf channel 16, started the main engine and proceeded close to the terminal. Upon realizing that the security boats were approaching, the pirates aborted the attempted attack and moved away. |
| 8. | 18.04.2016 1615 LT Steaming Fired upon | Madonna 1 Chemical Tanker Panama 11438 9407031 | 03:54N – 005:38E, Around 31nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Pirates approached, fired upon and attempted to board the tanker underway. The armed guard onboard the tanker returned fire while the Master carried out evasive manoeuvres resulting in the pirates aborting the attack. All crew reported safe. |
| 9. | 19.04.2016 1715 UTC Steaming Attempted | African Beauty Product Tanker Panama 28277 9047386 | 03:53N – 005:22E, Around 58nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | Seven pirates armed with guns approached the tanker underway. Alarm raised, crew mustered, water hose activated and Master commenced evasive manoeuvres. Due to the high freeboard and hardening measures deployed by the tanker, the pirates aborted the attack and moved away. All crew safe. |
| 10. | 28.04.2016 1112 LT Steaming Fired upon | Olivia I Product Tanker Nigeria 11423 9053191 | 03:56N – 004:43E, Around 67nm SW of Bayelsa, Nigeria | Pirates in a speed boat approached and opened fire on the tanker underway. Alarm raised, all crew mustered, SSAS activated and Master carried out evasive manoeuvres. Armed security team onboard returned fire resulting in the pirates aborting the attack. All crew safe. |
| 11. | 04.05.2016 0020 LT Steaming Fired upon | Madonna 1 Chemical Tanker Panama 11438 9407031 | 03:54.1N – 005:17.6E, Around 44nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Armed pirates approached, fired upon and attempted to board the tanker underway. The armed guard onboard the tanker returned fire resulting in the pirates aborting the attack. All crew reported safe. |
| 12. | 05.05.2016 1552 UTC Steaming Attempted | African Beauty Tanker Panama 28277 9047386 | 03:50.9N – 005:24.9E, Around 43nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Pirates in two speed boats chased the tanker underway. Armed security team onboard opened fire resulting in the pirates aborting the attack. All crew safe. Nigerian authorities notified. |
| 13. | 05.05.2016 0206 UTC Steaming Fired upon | Moxon Chemical Tanker Marshall Islands 29083 9133070 | 03:53N – 005:36E, Around 34nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Armed pirates in a speed boat chased and fired upon the tanker underway. Master made a PA announcement and all crew mustered on the bridge. Attack was aborted due to anti-piracy measures and the presence of navy personnel onboard. |
| 14. | 07.05.2016 1500 UTC Steaming Fired upon | Harley Product Tanker Marshall Islands 29083 9133082 | 03:42N – 005:10E, Around 58nm SW of Bayelsa Coast, Nigeria | Pirates armed with automatic weapons in a FRP boat approached, fired upon and attempted to board the tanker underway. Master raised the alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and all non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. A ladder was sighted on the boat. The armed guard onboard returned fire resulting in the pirates aborting the attack. All crew reported safe. |
| 15. | 07.07.2016 0650 UTC Steaming Fired upon | Bouboulina Tanker Greece 84844 9298753 | 03:16N – 005:09E, Around 89nm SW of Brass, Nigeria | Armed pirates approached and fired upon the tanker underway. As the boat came alongside the tanker the alarm was raised and all crew retreated into the citadel from where they controlled the tanker. After around four hours the crew emerged from the citadel. Bridge windows were found shattered due to the firing. All crew members |

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| | | | | reported safe. The tanker continued her voyage to the port of destination. |
| 16. | 23.09.2016 0145 LT Berthed Attempted | CS Jaden Bulk Carrier Bahamas 23268 9660061 | Berth No.60-61, Port of Casablanca, Morocco | Duty crew onboard the berthed ship observed two suspicious persons hiding on the jetty. The persons attempted to board the ship at four different times but were unsuccessful because of the alert crew. Incident reported to the PFSO and agent. No action taken. |

REST OF THE WORLD

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| 1. | 24.04.2016 2115 UTC Steaming Fired upon | Fair Apollon Product Tanker Liberia 6085 9464182 | 14:25N – 049:08E, Port Al Mukalla, Yemen | While underway, Master onboard the tanker reported suspected gun shots directed towards his vessel. The armed team onboard the tanker noticed two skiffs in the vicinity and fired warning shots resulting in the skiffs moving away. All crew reported safe. |