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REPORTS ON ACTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS

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1 In pursuance of the Maritime Safety Committee's instruction to the Secretariat to issue monthly reports of all incidents of piracy¹ and armed robbery against ships² reported to the Organization, the annex hereto provides, in the tabulated format agreed by the Committee, the summary of reports on incidents received between 1 and 31 May 2012 including a distinction between acts of piracy and acts of armed robbery against ships (annex 1) and attempted attacks (annex 2). The Secretariat has, since July 2002, classified separately any reported incidents of piracy and armed robbery **at sea** (international or territorial waters) vis-à-vis acts of armed robbery allegedly committed **in port areas**, as well as **attempted** acts of armed robbery.

¹ "Piracy" is defined in the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) (article 101) as follows:

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

² "Armed robbery against ships" is defined in the Code of Practice for the Investigation of the Crimes of Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships (resolution A.1025(26), annex, paragraph 2.2), as follows:

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

- (a) 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;
- (b) any act of inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described above."

2 Further, and as instructed by the Committee (MSC 89/25 paragraphs 18.9 and 18.10), the Secretariat has opened a "piracy and armed robbery" module on the Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) (<http://gisis.imo.org>) in order to improve the timeliness of reporting of incidents and to enable users to generate their own search criteria and produce customizable reports. This database is now configured for public, read-only access and is searchable. Reports can be compiled in GISIS directly by Member States and registered public users. These reports can now include follow-up information, for example, dates of release of hijacked ships. Given that the new functionality in GISIS allows for user-defined piracy reports, the Committee agreed that the practice of publishing quarterly summaries was no longer warranted and would be discontinued with effect from May 2011.

3 The total number of acts of piracy and armed robbery against ships so far reported to the Organization is 6,425, an increase of 33 since 30 April 2012.

4 Previous incidents reported to the Organization since the fifty-ninth session of the Committee have been circulated by various MSC circulars, those issued during the previous 12 months and up to 31 May 2012 being MSC.4/Circ.172, MSC.4/Circ.173, MSC.4/Circ.174, MSC.4/Circ.175, MSC.4/Circ.176, MSC.4/Circ.177, MSC.4/Circ.178, MSC.4/Circ.179, MSC.4/Circ.181, MSC.4/Circ.182, MSC.4/Circ.183 and MSC.4/Circ.184.

ANNEX 1
Acts of piracy and armed robbery allegedly committed against ships reported by
Member States or international organizations in consultative status

N°	Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage	Date Time	Position of the incident*	Details of the incident	Consequences for crew, ship, cargo	Action taken by the master and the crew	Was the incident reported to the coastal authority? Which one?	Reporting State or international organization	MSC.4/Circ.185 ANNEX 1
	IMO Number								Coastal State Action Taken
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	ARK CHARLY Supply ship Singapore 2310 9544669	07/05/2012 06:40 UTC	WEST AFRICA Gulf of Guinea Nigeria 04° 26.19' N 004° 58.84' E	Pirates hijacked the supply ship underway and took her 17 crew as hostage. The hijackers released the crew and vessel at 1755 UTC the same day. The crew and vessel were safe.	Pirates took hostage 17 crew and hijacked the ship	Sent SSAS distress message.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to RCC Nigeria & Nigerian Navy	-
2	KING OF CALABAR Supply ship Singapore 1291 9591894	08/05/2012 07:20 UTC	WEST AFRICA Off Pennington Oil Terminal Nigeria 03° 53.50' N 005° 35.90' E	Six pirates in a skiff armed with AK-47s boarded the ship. Alarm raised and all crew retreated into the citadel. After 1.5 hours the crew emerged from the citadel and found the pirates had left. On inspection, it was noticed that the bridge windows had been damaged and ship's properties stolen. The vessel continued its passage to Port Onne.	Pirates damaged the bridge window and stole ship's property	Alarm raised and all crew went into citadel	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to RCC Nigeria & Nigerian Navy	-
3	SAVVY Product tanker Singapore 6694 9328699	09/05/2012 02:08 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx 30 NM north-east of Horsburgh Lighthouse Indonesia 01° 13.38' N 104° 50.00' E	OOW onboard the ship underway spotted two speed boats with 8-10 pirates armed with guns and knives approaching the ship. Alarm raised and the ship made evasive manoeuvres, directed the search lights towards the boats and sent distress message. All access to accommodation and engine room were locked from inside. Pirates boarded the ship from poop deck by using a portable ladder. All crew were gathered inside the bridge. Seeing the crew's alertness, the pirates left the ship 30 minutes later. No injuries to crew and nothing stolen.	The crew did not sustain any injuries and there was no damage to ship	The master raised the alarm, initiated evasive manoeuvres and sealed all access from inside leading to the accommodation blocks/engine room.	Yes POCC Singapore	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy & Indonesian Marine Police	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

4	SMYRNI Tanker Liberia 83562 9493779	10/05/2012 09:23 UTC	ARABIAN SEA Around 250nm SE of Ras Al Madrasah Oman 15° 58.00' N 061° 02.00' E	Ten pirates in two skiffs armed with automatic weapons chased the tanker underway. The tanker enforced anti-piracy measures, increased speed, made evasive manoeuvres and managed to evade the boarding attempt, resulting in the skiffs regrouping with the mother ship in the vicinity. Later, the skiffs launched a second attack on the tanker, approached at a speed of 24 knots and managed to successfully board and hijack the tanker and take hostage the 26 crew members.	Pirates took hostage 26 crew members and hijacked the tanker	The tanker enforced anti-piracy measures, increased speed and made evasive manoeuvres	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	-
5	MANYPLUS 18 Tug Malaysia 266 8996669	17/05/2012 15:30	SOUTH CHINA SEA Off Talikud Island Philippines	A tug towing a laden barge departed from Sasa port, Davao City at 1400 LT at slow speed heading to Thailand. 90 minutes after departure, the duty crew noticed 10 small boats surrounding the barge (Manyplus 17) and around 30 pirates boarded the barge, stole and transferred the cargo to their waiting boats and escaped. Incident reported to Philippines police.	Pirates boarded the barge, stole and transferred the cargo to their waiting boats	-	Yes Philippines police	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Philippines Coast Guard	-
6	PKFB 1340 Fishing vessel Malaysia	23/05/2012 22:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Malacca Straits Indonesia 04° 50.00' N 099° 04.00' E	Armed pirates boarded the fishing vessel underway, took hostage six crew members and hijacked the vessel. On receiving the information, the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency immediately sent their patrol boat to the location and rescued the vessel along with her crew members. All the crew members were safe. It was reported that the pirates had left the vessel before the arrival of the patrol boat.	Pirates took hostage 6 crew members and hijacked the vessel	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, Received incident report from MMEA and PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ	MMEA immediately sent their patrol boat to the location and rescued the vessel along with her crew members

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	NORD EXPRESS Bulk carrier Singapore 32379 9403114	10/05/2012 12:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Taboneo Anchorage Indonesia 03° 42.00' S 114° 27.00' E	Robbers boarded an anchored ship during cargo operations, stole ship's stores from forecandle and escaped before being spotted by the crew. Authorities were informed and boarded the ship for inspection.	Robbers stole ship's stores	Raised alarm	Yes Local authorities via agents	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ	-
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

2	BS PACIFIC Tug Singapore 198 9631486	12/05/2012 21:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx. 4NM NNE of Pulau Batam Indonesia 01° 14.58' N 104° 08.43' E	A barge (Swissco 57), under tow en route from Singapore to Banjarmasin, Indonesia, was boarded by robbers using a wooden boat. VTIS Singapore informed the master that a boat was following his barge. On investigation, the master saw a wooden boat moving away from the barge. The crew boarded the barge and found 13 containers had been opened. Incident reported to the Maritime and Port Authority Singapore.	Robbers opened 13 containers.	The master boarded the barge for inspection	Yes MPA Singapore	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Marine Police HQ, Indonesian Navy HQ, POCC Singapore, IFC Singapore Navy, Singapore Police Coast Guard, MRCC Putrajaya & FOC RMN (Ops)	-
3	STEVEN C Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 23456 9450791	13/05/2012 05:45 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Approx 9.4 NM from Isla La Palma, Buenaventura Colombia 03° 46.60' N 077° 27.40' W	Four robbers boarded the drifting ship which was waiting for berthing instructions. Alarm raised. Crew mustered and approached with steel pipes. The robbers jumped overboard and escaped with ship's stores.	Robbers stole ship's stores	Raised the alarm, crew mustered and approached the robbers with steel pipes	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Colombia Maritime Authorities	-
4	BUDGET 19 Tug Malaysia 141 9515369	15/05/2012 05:50 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 5.8 NM WNW of Raffles Lighthouse Singapore 01° 11.73' N 103° 39.17' E	While the tug boat was towing barge Budget 29, three robbers boarded the barge and escaped with some scrap metal and mooring ropes.	The crew did not sustain any injuries	The master informed the Port Operations Control Centre (Singapore)	Yes POCC Singapore	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	The Singapore POCC promulgated navigational broadcast to inform all ships about the incident and to maintain vigilance when passing through the area.
5	FARUK KAAAN Multi purpose ship Marshall Islands 7738 9165865	23/05/2012 03:00 UTC	WEST AFRICA Off the coast of Sierra Leone Sierra Leone 08° 34.90' N 013° 25.50' W	Ship attacked by a small boat with four persons wielding long knives and/or poles.	Ship's equipment was stolen (ropes and rescue boat engine)	Security Watch confronted the robbers who then fled, jumping into the water	Yes Sierra Leone	Marshall Islands ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Sierra Leone Navy notified

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IN PORT AREA

1	PACIFIC RAIDER Supply ship Singapore 1865 9246425	03/05/2012 02:30 LT	WEST AFRICA Pointe Noire Anchorage Congo 04° 45.90' N 011° 50.00' E	Four robbers armed with knives boarded the anchored ship from a small boat. The OOW discovered the robbers escaping with one mooring rope.	The crew did not sustain any injuries	-	Yes Port Authorities	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-
2	GRETA Bulk carrier Bahamas 31261 9345829	12/05/2012 05:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Muara Jawa Anchorage, Samarinda Indonesia 01° 11.10' S 117° 13.90' E	Robbers boarded the anchored ship, stole ship's stores and escaped unnoticed. The theft was noticed by the duty A/B during routine rounds on deck.	Robbers stole ship's stores	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ	-
3	LOUISE Product tanker Liberia 42010 9417763	14/05/2012 23:00 LT	EAST AFRICA Port Suez Anchorage Egypt 29° 50.10' N 032° 31.60' E	Robbers boarded the anchored ship unnoticed, stole ship's stores and escaped. The theft occurred during a sandstorm when the duty A/B was called into the accommodation. Port control was informed.	Robbers stole ship's stores	Crew conducted a search throughout the ship	Yes Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to JRCC Cairo, Egypt	-
4	TORM LAURA Product tanker Denmark 29283 9375616	15/05/2012 01:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Suez Anchorage Egypt	Robbers boarded the anchored ship, broke into the forecandle store, stole ship's stores and escaped unnoticed. On investigation, it was learnt that the robbery had taken place between the deck security rounds carried out by the crew.	Robbers stole ship's stores	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to JRCC Cairo, Egypt	-
5	MP PANAMAX 4 Bulk carrier Singapore 36666 9109495	18/05/2012 22:40 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Taboneo Anchorage, Banjarmasin Indonesia 03° 42.70' S 114° 26.80' E	Duty A/B on roving deck patrol noticed five robbers in the forward store. Two of the robbers threatened him with a knife. The duty A/B managed to inform the duty officer who activated the general alarm. The robbers escaped with two mooring ropes.	Robbers threatened the duty A/B with a knife and stole ship's stores	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Local Authorities	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & Indonesian Navy HQ	Marine Police came onboard to investigate
6	BOW VICTOR Tanker Norway 19688 8416322	22/05/2012 08:45 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Surabaya anchorage Indonesia 07° 09.00' S 112° 40.00' E	While at anchor, the duty A/B sighted wet foot prints and discovered a life raft was missing.	-	The master reported the incident to the port authorities	Yes Port Authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Norway)	-

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IN PORT AREA

7	ELISABETH SCHULTE Chemical tanker Isle of Man (United Kingdom) 11246 9439840	24/05/2012 00:20 UTC	EAST AFRICA Berth No.8, Mombasa Port Kenya 04° 02.90' S 039° 38.70' E	A robber armed with a knife boarded the tanker at berth during cargo operations. The robber attacked and injured the duty officer on deck rounds, stole his personal belongings and escaped. Master reported to port police and agent who boarded the tanker for investigation.	Tanker boarded by robber. One duty crew was injured and his personal belongings were stolen	The master raised the alarm, ceased cargo operations and mustered all crew on the bridge	Yes Kenya Police and Mombasa Port Authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to MRCC Mombasa	Police boarded the tanker for investigation
8	JOANNA A Bulk carrier Panama 22359 8202513	25/05/2012 03:55 LT	MEDITERRANEAN SEA El Dekheila Outer anchorage Egypt	A fishing boat was seen dropping anchor next to the stern of the bulk carrier at anchor. Duty A/B remained near the stern during his watch. Later, the C/O noticed two robbers armed with knives near the forecandle lowering ship's stores. Seeing the robbers with knives, the crew waited until the robbers had departed before going forward to investigate. It was noticed that the hawse pipe cover had been removed and the paint store padlock was cut.	Ship's stores stolen	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to JRCC Cairo	-
9	MAERSK NIAMEY Container ship Hong Kong, China 26836 9434917	27/05/2012 23:55 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Contecon Guayaquil Terminal Ecuador 02° 17.00' S 079° 54.10' W	Four robbers armed with knives boarded the berthed ship during a formality inspection by the immigration and customs department. Bosun noticed the robbers boarding the ship from the seaward side using ropes and hooks. One of the robbers was proceeding aft towards the accommodation. Bosun reported to master and chief officer via walkie talkie and alarm was raised. On seeing the alert crew, the robber on deck ran towards the bosun waving his knife. All four robbers jumped overboard and escaped with their three accomplices waiting in the boat. Port authority was informed and a coast guard boat was dispatched to search the area.	Robbers boarded the ship	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to MRCC Ecuador	A coast guard boat was dispatched to search the area
10	FALCON TRADER Bulk carrier Liberia 15884 9047001	30/05/2012 03:20 LT	MEDITERRANEAN SEA Port of Alger Algeria	Duty crewman at aft mooring deck onboard a berthed bulk carrier noticed two robbers trying to open the port life raft. He reported to OOW, who raised the alarm. Crew mustered. On seeing the alert crew, the robbers dropped the life raft into the water, jumped overboard and escaped empty-handed. Crew managed to recover the life raft and brought it back onboard the ship in open position. Port control informed.	-	Raised alarm and crew mustered	Yes Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to MRCC Algiers	-

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ANNEX 2
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Member States or international organizations in consultative status

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	IMO Number								Coastal State Action Taken
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	MORNING CATHERINE Ro-ro-cargo ship Panama 60876 9338711	09/04/2012 19:42 LT	ARABIAN SEA Arabian Sea 15° 00.00' N 064° 32.20' E	While sailing, the vessel was pursued by three skiffs. The vessel initiated evasive manoeuvres and succeeded in evading the attack.	The crew did not sustain any injuries and there was no damage to the vessel	The master carried out evasive manoeuvres and managed to evade the attack	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan)	-
2	HIGH MERCURY Tanker Hong Kong, China 29733 9366287	30/04/2012 11:50 LT	ARABIAN SEA Off IRTC Point 'B', Gulf of Aden Yemen 14° 18.00' N 050° 45.20' E	While sailing, three skiffs with approximately 4-5 pirates onboard approached the vessel. The skiffs closed in to one NM from the vessel prior to abandoning chase to other targets. One of the skiffs had unidentified equipment stored on deck.	The crew did not sustain any injuries and there was no damage to the vessel	All crew mustered, raised the alarm, and proceeded to citadel. The master informed NATO/coalition warships in the vicinity and managed to evade the attack	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Hong Kong)	-
3	JULIE DELMAS Container ship Bahamas 26061 9225770	07/05/2012 03:10 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Around 275NM SSE of Socotra Island Somalia 08° 17.70' N 056° 29.80' E	Pirates in three skiffs approached and attempted to board a container ship underway. Alarm sounded and all non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. Rocket parachute flares fired to warn the approaching skiffs. When the skiffs closed in to less than 0.5 NM the onboard security team fired warning shots, resulting in the skiffs aborting the attack and moving away.	-	Alarm sounded and all non essential crew mustered in the citadel. Rocket parachute flares fired and onboard security team fired warning shots	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer, Indian Coast Guard, Indian Navy	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

4	SUPER LADY Tanker Malta 56204 9201592	09/05/2012 10:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Around 345nm ESE of Socotra Island Yemen 10° 40.00' N 060° 04.00' E	Pirates in two skiffs armed with AK-47s and RPGs approached the crude oil tanker underway. At a distance of 50 metres from the ship the pirates fired seven RPG rounds and more than 300 rounds from AK-47s at the tanker. Effective anti-piracy measures resulted in the skiffs aborting and moving away. No injuries to crew, however, ship sustained damage due to the firing.	Pirates fired at the tanker resulting in damage to the ship	Anti-piracy measures enforced	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer, Yemen Coast Guard	-
5	ALPINE MYSTERY Tanker Hong Kong, China 29266 9392808	09/05/2012 11:30 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 45.00' N 050° 46.00' E	While sailing, the tanker was pursued by three suspicious skiffs which closed to 1.5 NM from the vessel. The vessel initiated evasive manoeuvres and evaded the attack.	The crew did not sustain any injuries and there was no damage to vessel	All crew mustered and proceeded to citadel and alarm raised	Yes UKMTO	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Hong Kong)	-
6	MOYRA Tanker Gibraltar (United Kingdom) 12781 9271999	10/05/2012 10:10 UTC	EAST AFRICA Around 345nm ESE of Socotra Island Yemen 14° 18.00' N 058° 27.00' E	Six pirates in a skiff approached and fired on the tanker underway from a distance of 500 metres. The armed security team returned fire, resulting in the skiff aborting and moving away.	Pirates fired on the tanker	Master raised alarm and the armed security team returned fire	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

7	MAERSK GENESIS LPG tanker Singapore 16823 9531519	12/05/2012 11:40 UTC	EAST AFRICA Red Sea United Arab Emirates 13° 52.00' N 042° 52.00' E	About 12 pirates chased and closed in to 0.2 NM from the tanker underway. Master enforced anti-piracy measures and increased speed. The onboard security team displayed their weapons and the boats then moved away. All crew and tanker were safe.	-	Master enforced anti-piracy measures and increased speed. The onboard security team displayed their weapons	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	-
8	AQUAMARINE PROGRESS LPG tanker Singapore 47985 9415650	12/05/2012 15:40 LT	ARABIAN SEA Straits of Hormuz Iran (Islamic Republic of) 25° 26.10' N 057° 25.20' E	While sailing, the tanker was pursued by three skiffs launched from a mother vessel in the vicinity. The skiffs chased the tanker at a speed of 20-25 knots. On sighting a naval helicopter deployed by the Iranian Navy, the pirates abandoned the pursuit.	The crew did not sustain any injuries	The master sounded general alarm, activated SSAS and DSC alert and non-essential crew retreated to the citadel	Yes UKMTO, Iranian Navy	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Iranian Navy deployed a helicopter, resulting in the pirates abandoning the chase
9	AQUARIUS WING Tanker Panama 159953 9310654	18/05/2012 20:00 LT	ARABIAN SEA Around 25nm South of Ra's-e Jask Iran (Islamic Republic of) 25° 20.90' N 057° 34.60' E	Three skiffs chased the tanker underway and approached close to the stern. Alarm sounded, authorities and nearby warship contacted. Later the skiffs aborted the boarding attempt and moved away.	The skiffs chased the tanker	Alarm raised and anti-piracy measures enforced	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer, Yemen Coast Guard, Oman Coast Guard & MRCC Tehran, Iran	-

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	Type of Ship								Gross Tonnage
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

10	MAERSK TEXAS General cargo ship United States 13816 9469780	23/05/2012 09:00 UTC	ARABIAN SEA Around 28nm WSW of Bandar-E-Jask Iran (Islamic Republic of) 25° 29.60' N 057° 16.80' E	OOW onboard a general cargo ship underway noticed a group of 10 skiffs at a distance of 2 NM from the ship on the stb side. The forward skiff broke off from the group and approached the ship at a speed of 20-25 knots. Master and security team informed. Alarm raised, fire hoses and SSAS activated. UKMTO and navies informed. The ship increased speed and commenced manoeuvring away from the skiffs. As the skiffs closed in to 500 metres, the armed security team fired warning shots. The skiffs ignored the warning shots and continued to approach aggressively and weapons were sighted on the skiffs. As the skiffs closed in to 300 metres, the security team once again fired warning shots and it was noticed that the skiffs returned fire towards the ship. Eleven additional skiffs were sighted on the port side advancing towards the ship. As the security team returned fire, these skiffs stopped and moved away. The skiffs on the stb side continued to chase the ship and then after approximately 12 minutes from the initial approach the skiffs moved away towards a large dhow in the vicinity. No damages and no injuries to crew.	Skiffs fired at the vessel	Alarm raised, SSAS activated, increased speed, armed security team fired warning shots	Yes Iranian Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer, Yemen Coast Guard, Oman Coast Guard & MRCC Tehran, Iran	-
11	MBA ROSARIA Bulk carrier Italy 51255 9591765	23/05/2012 13:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Bab El Mandeb Straits Yemen 12° 45.00' N 043° 18.00' E	Pirates in three skiffs approached a bulk carrier underway. Master raised alarm, informed UKMTO and alerted the armed security team onboard. Weapons sighted on the skiffs when they closed in to 300 metres. The armed security team fired warning shots, resulting in the pirates aborting the attempted attack and moving away.	-	Raised alarm, alerted security team onboard, warning shots fired	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, EUNAVFOR Atalanta, UKMTO, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CTF 151, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer, Yemen Coast Guard	-

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

12	AQUARIUS WING Tanker Panama 159953 9310654	26/05/2012 10:50 LT	ARABIAN SEA Gulf of Oman Iran (Islamic Republic of) 25° 31.00' N 057° 10.00' E	While sailing the vessel was approached by two skiffs. The master increased speed and reported to naval vessel on patrol. Subsequently the skiffs aborted the chase.	The crew did not sustain any injury and no damage to the vessel was reported.	The master increased speed, mustered crew and reported to UKMTO and naval vessel on patrol.	Yes UKMTO	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan)	-
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IN PORT AREA

1	HANSA RONNEBURG Container ship Liberia 18334 9256391	17/05/2012 07:40 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Puerto Limon Anchorage Costa Rica 09° 58.20' N 083° 00.10' W	Five robbers in a boat were noticed by alert deck watchmen alongside their ship with boat hooks in an attempt to board. Duty officer raised the alarm and reported to port authorities. Seeing the alert crew the robbers aborted the attempt and moved away.	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to MRCC Costa Rica	-
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