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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 August 2015 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.

3 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 July 2015 being, MSC.4/Circ.214, MSC.4/Circ.215, MSC.4/Circ.216, MSC.4/Circ.217, MSC.4/Circ.218, MSC.4/Circ.219 (Annual Report), MSC.4/Circ.220, MSC.4/Circ.221, MSC.4/Circ.222, MSC.4/Circ.223, MSC.4/Circ.224 MSC.4/Circ.225 and MSC.4/Circ.226.

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

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	MAGSENGER 8 Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 64769 9497244	06/08/2015 23:30 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Straits of Malacca and Singapore (off Nipah) 01° 02.70' N 103° 38.50' E	While underway, four pirates armed with guns and knives boarded the ship and entered the engine room. The pirates attempted to hurt the oiler once he spotted them, stole engine spare parts and fled. The crew activated the emergency alarm and conducted a search for the pirates in the engine room, following which it was determined that they had already left the ship.	Engine spares stolen	Emergency alarm activated and search conducted on board	Yes Singapore authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via Contact Point (Hong Kong, China)	Ship boarded by Singapore Police Coast Guard for investigation
2	JOAQUIM Product tanker Singapore 1796 9133989	08/08/2015 20:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 13.4nm ENE of Pulau Rupa Indonesia 02° 03.40' N 101° 59.30' E	The CSO of the tanker JOAQUIM reported that at about 1900-2000 hours (local time), armed pirates boarded and seized control of the tanker underway, on its way to Langkawi, Malaysia from Tg. Pinang, Indonesia. A search was conducted by the Royal Thai Navy (RTN) and the Malaysian Navy to locate the missing ship, which was transporting 3,000 metric tons of fuel oil. MPA POCC activated the SafetyNet broadcast to alert other ships in the vicinity to lookout for the tanker. On the morning of 09/08/2015 the CSO reported that the Malaysia Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) had located the ship approximately 13.7nm off Tanjung Keling, Malaysia. MMEA deployed a ship as well as a medic aircraft to assist the JOAQUIM and its crew, with the ship's Master and assistant Superintendent reportedly injured and in need of medical attention. It was determined that the pirates had stolen part of the oil cargo, damaged the fuel hoses to the generator and main engine, disabled all communication equipment and fled.	All crew members held, Master and assistant Superintendent injured, fuel hoses to the generator and main engine damaged and part of the ship's oil cargo stolen	-	Yes MPA Singapore & MMEA Putrajaya	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via (Singapore)	Search conducted by the Royal Thai Navy (RTN) and the Malaysian Navy. MPA POCC activated the SafetyNet broadcast to alert ships in the vicinity to lookout for the tanker. Tanker located by MMEA patrol boats which provided assistance to the ship and its crew

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3	KHF 1989 Fishing vessel Malaysia	15/08/2015 23:30 LT	MALACCA STRAIT 38nm west of Pulau Langkawi - Malacca Strait Malaysia 06° 14.00' N 098° 59.00' E	Five pirates armed with rifles in a speed boat seized control of the fishing boat and sailed towards Thailand's territorial waters. On receiving information about the incident from the Fisheries Department, the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) contacted the Royal Thailand Marine Police, which launched a search. The fishing boat was eventually located at Tarutao Island, Thailand on 17.8.2015 and towed to Satun, Thailand. On 19.8.2015 an MMEA ship escorted the fishing boat safely to Kuala Kedah, Malaysia.	Pirates seized control of the ship and all five crewmembers held	Reported incident to the Fisheries Department	Yes Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) and Royal Thailand Marine Police	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	MMEA contacted the Royal Thailand Marine Police for assistance, Royal Thailand Marine Police located the boat and it was eventually escorted safely back to Malaysia by an MMEA ship
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	SLETTNES Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 32837 9490739	03/08/2015 01:36 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 6.2nm SSW of Pulau Nipa - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 03.50' N 103° 37.10' E	While sailing, about five or six perpetrators were spotted by the crew on board the ship, near the aft deck. In response the alarm was raised and the Master made an announcement through the PA system. Upon seeing the crew's alertness, the robbers fled empty handed. A search was eventually conducted, following which it was reported that nothing had been stolen and no perpetrators remained on board. All crew safe. VTIS Singapore informed.	-	Alarm raised and search conducted on board. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard were informed. Indonesian authorities also informed. Ship boarded by Coast Guard for investigation
2	MAGNUM FORTUNE Bulk carrier Liberia 31261 9488970	06/08/2015 06:15 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 8nm northeast of Pulau Karimun Besar - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 04.50' N 103° 32.88' E	While underway, five unauthorised persons were spotted in the engine room. The Master and crew eventually conducted a security search on board. While no intruders were found it was determined that some spare parts were lost. No injury to the crew.	Spare parts lost	Search conducted by the Master and crew and incident reported to Singapore VTIS via VHF	Yes Singapore Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS)	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS notified the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed

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3	JIN HWA 43 Tug Malaysia 148 9689768	06/08/2015 22:00	MALACCA STRAIT Straits of Malacca and Singapore 01° 05.00' N 103° 44.00' E	Upon arrival at Pasir Gudang anchorage, the Master of the tug with a barge under tow discovered that the barge store door had been removed. Additionally, several items were missing from the barge, including three rolls of towing rope (64mm), and one roll of towing rope (80mm) Y rope. The Master believes the theft occurred between 2000hrs and 2300hrs as the tug and barge were en route from Port Klang, Malaysia to Pasir Gudang port, Malaysia.	Barge store door cut off and removed, several items missing including three rolls of towing rope (64 mm) and one roll of towing rope (80mm) Y rope.	-	Yes Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA)	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC	-
4	ZALIV AMERIKA Tanker Cyprus 60178 9354301	10/08/2015 05:53 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 5.5nm SW of Pulau Nipah - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 05.30' N 103° 34.90' E	Five robbers armed with knives boarded the tanker underway. They entered the engine room, tied up the chief engineer and stole his personal effects. The chief engineer managed to free himself and raised the alarm. Upon seeing the alerted crew the robbers fled. VTIS Singapore informed.	Chief engineer tied up and his personal property stolen	Alarm raised, crew mustered and incident reported to Singapore VTIS via VHF	Yes Singapore VTIS	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed
5	FEDERAL CRIMSON Bulk carrier Singapore 32750 9732151	10/08/2015 06:40 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 6.3nm SW of Pulau Nipah - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 05.80' N 103° 33.70' E	While underway, six robbers armed with knives, in a small boat, boarded the ship from the stern. They entered the engine room and stole ship's spares. Duty crew spotted the robbers as they left the ship. The alarm was raised, the crew mustered and a search conducted on board, following which it was determined that engine spares had been stolen. MPA Singapore was informed. The Singapore Coast Guard boarded the ship for investigation.	Engine spares stolen	Alarm raised, crew mustered, search conducted on board and incident reported to Singapore VTIS via VHF	Yes MPA Singapore, Singapore PCG and MSTF	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Ship boarded by Singapore Coast Guard for investigation
6	SOL Oil tanker 81479 9171462	12/08/2015 03:27 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 4.2nm east of Pulau Pulau Karimun, Kecil - Straits of Malacca & Singapore Indonesia 01° 07.40' N 103° 31.10' E	While underway, five or six unauthorized persons were spotted in the engine room. The ship's alarm was raised in response and the unauthorized persons fled. Subsequently, a security search was conducted, following which it was determined that nothing had been stolen. All crew safe.	-	Alarm raised and security search conducted on board. Incident to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed

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7	MATAR N Container ship Cyprus 39824 9509176	13/08/2015 06:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 5.37nm east of Pulau Karimun Kecil - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 07.40' N 103° 30.00' E	Six robbers armed with knives boarded the container ship underway and were spotted in the engine room. In response, the alarm was raised and the crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew's alertness, the robbers fled. A search was eventually conducted, following which it was determined that nothing had been stolen. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS.	-	Alarm raised, crew mustered and search conducted on board. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS via VHF	Yes Singapore VTIS	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed
8	IBN AL ABBAR Container ship Panama 16705 9194490	15/08/2015 03:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 6nm SSW of Pulau Nipa - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 03.80' N 103° 36.53' E	While underway, eight unauthorized persons armed with knives were spotted by the duty watch keeper boarding the ship using hooks attached to ropes. The robbers then proceeded to the engine room. The duty oiler was held, tied up by his hands and feet, and his head was covered with a cloth bag. The alarm was raised by the duty watch keeper in response and the crew mustered. Upon seeing the alerted crew, the robbers fled. A search was conducted on board. All crew safe and nothing stolen. VTIS Singapore informed. Coast Guard boarded the ship for investigation.	Duty oiler held, tied up by his hands and feet, and his head covered with a cloth bag	Alarm raised, crew mustered, security search conducted on board and incident reported to Singapore VTIS via VHF	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed. Ship boarded by Coast Guard for investigation
9	WESTERN HOUSTON Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 19998 9455911	15/08/2015 05:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Vung Tau Anchorage Viet Nam 10° 14.40' N 107° 03.60' E	Robbers boarded the anchored bulk carrier, broke into the paint locker and stole ship's stores before fleeing. Evidence of the incident was discovered by the C/O at 0830 LT. Details of the incident were subsequently reported to Port Control.	Paint locker broken into and ship's stores stolen	Incident reported to Port Control and VTS	Yes Port control and VTS	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Viet Nam)	-

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10	CPO NORFOLK Container ship Liberia 41358 9440813	15/08/2015 10:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 4.12nm NNE of Pulau Batam - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 15.60' N 104° 07.80' E	While en route to Tianjin, China, duty crew on board the ship noticed that padlocks to three of the ship's storerooms were damaged. He raised the alarm in response and the crew mustered. Once the alarm was raised, a robber was seen fleeing from the CO2 room. A search was conducted, following which it was determined that nothing had been stolen. While underway, the crew discovered three damaged padlocks at the aft mooring deck. Upon raising the vessel's alarm, the crew sighted one unauthorized person escaped from one of the store rooms. A security search was conducted but no unauthorized person were found onboard. The crew was not injured and no loss of property reported.	Padlocks to three storerooms damaged	Alarm raised, crew mustered and search conducted on board. Master reported the incident to the Singapore Port Operation Centre (POC) via email	Yes Singapore Port Operation Centre (POC)	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian Piracy Centre also informed
11	PACIFIC ASSURANCE Bulk carrier Singapore 107222 9683104	20/08/2015 05:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Straits of Malacca and Singapore 01° 06.00' N 103° 33.50' E	While underway, seven robbers armed with knives boarded the ship, proceeded to the engine room and tied the oiler and engine cadet in the engine room workshop. Subsequently, they were untied by the watch-keeping engineer, the alarm was raised and ship's SSAS activated. All crew mustered on the bridge. The Master and crew eventually conducted a security search which confirmed that the robbers had fled upon hearing the alarm and that nothing had been stolen.	Oiler and engine cadet tied up	Master and crew conducted security search and reported the incident to the CSO and the Singapore POCC	Yes Singapore POCC and Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Singapore POCC informed MRCC Jakarta and Putra Jaya
12	NAVIG8 STEALTH S.V. Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 30040 9396725	21/08/2015 03:40 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 4nm east of Pulau Karimun Kecil - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 07.20' N 103° 29.80' E	While underway, five robbers armed with knives were spotted in the engine room. The master raised the alarm in response and the robbers fled the ship using ropes. Spare parts were reported stolen. All crew safe.	Spare parts reported stolen	Alarm raised and incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS and Singapore Navy	Marshall Islands ReCAAP ISC via Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian and Malaysian authorities also notified

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13	MAERSK LEBU Container ship Hong Kong, China 89097 9526930	21/08/2015 04:30 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 6.1nm NE of Pulau Karimun Kecil - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 10.08' N 103° 30.17' E	While underway, four robbers were spotted boarding the ship using a hook attached to a rope on the poop deck. Subsequently, they were seen proceeding to the engine room and the Master raised the alarm in response. Upon seeing the crew's alertness the robbers fled into a waiting boat with stolen ship's property.	Ship's property stolen	Alarm raised, crew chased after the unauthorized persons, search conducted on board and Master reported the incident to Singapore VTIS	Yes Singapore VTIS and Singapore Coast Guard	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also notified. Ship boarded by Singapore Coast Guard for investigation
14	TORM HELENE Product tanker Marshall Islands 57031 9143532	21/08/2015 22:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 0.8nm SE of Pulau Takong Kecil - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 06.00' N 103° 44.00' E	While underway, the crew spotted three unauthorized persons on board the ship. The alarm was raised, the crew mustered and a search was eventually conducted. The three unauthorized persons fled the ship.	-	The alarm was raised, crew mustered and a search conducted on board. Master reported incident to the CSO	Yes Singapore Port Operation Control Centre (POCC)	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed
15	NAME WITHHELD Product tanker Marshall Islands 57031	21/08/2015 22:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 0.92nm ESE of Pulau Takong Kecil - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 06.00' N 103° 44.00' E	Three robbers boarded the product tanker underway and entered the steering room. Duty crew that spotted the robbers raised the alarm in response and the crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the alertness of the crew, the robbers fled. A search was subsequently conducted, following which it was determined that nothing had been stolen. Authorities informed of the incident through the agents.	-	Alarm raised and crew alerted	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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16	PEACE BRIGHT Bulk carrier Panama 41541 9663362	21/08/2015 23:29 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 2nm NW of Pulau Cula - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 04.07' N 103° 41.58' E	While underway, four robbers were spotted on board the ship and the alarm was raised in response. Upon seeing the crew's alertness the robbers fled empty handed, into a waiting boat. All crew safe.	-	Alarm raised, crew mustered and incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed. A Coast Guard vessel escorted the ship to a bunkering anchorage and boarded it for investigation
17	ATOUT Container ship Liberia 18199 9354648	22/08/2015 05:25 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 7.9nm SW of Pulau Nipa - Straits of Malacca & Singapore Indonesia 01° 07.27' N 103° 31.68' E	While underway, four unarmed robbers in a boat boarded the ship underway and broke the padlock to the entrance of the engine room. The duty oiler on routine rounds spotted the robbers and informed bridge. The alarm was raised in response, Singapore VTIS was contacted for assistance and the crew mustered. Upon seeing the alerted crew, the robbers fled. A search was eventually conducted, during which footsteps were discovered on the poop deck and it was determined that nothing had been stolen. All crew safe. A navy patrol boat escorted the ship to the pilot boarding area. When alongside, the Authorities boarded the ship for investigation.	-	Alarm raised, security search conducted on board and incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed. Ship escorted to pilot boarding area by a Navy patrol boat and Authorities boarded the ship for investigation

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18	ELBTANK DENMARK Chemical tanker Liberia 23235 9234680	22/08/2015 05:35 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 1.4nm NE of Buffalo Rock - Straits of Malacca and Singapore 01° 10.40' N 103° 49.80' E	While underway, the crew spotted four robbers armed with knives on board the ship. The robbers stole the crew's personal effects and fled in a small boat. All crew safe.	Crew's personal effects stolen	Incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian authorities also informed
19	GLOVIS MAESTRO Bulk carrier Singapore 33456 9610987	29/08/2015 03:10 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Straits of Malacca and Singapore 01° 10.28' N 103° 27.25' E	While underway, the crew spotted two robbers on board. The alarm was raised in response and the robbers fled from the ship. Subsequently, the Master conducted a search on board, following which it was determined that three high pressure pumps were missing.	Three high pressure pumps missing	Alarm raised and search conducted on board by Master. Master also reported the incident to Singapore Police Coast Guard (PCG) and Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF), RSN	Yes Singapore PCG and MSTF	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-

IN PORT AREA

1	PEARL ACE Vehicle carrier Panama 45796 9051818	01/08/2015 23:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Batangas Port Philippines 13° 44.30' N 121° 02.30' E	While the ship was anchoring at the port, the crew found evidence that an intruder had been on board. A security search was conducted but no unauthorized person was found on the ship. The crew reported that some personal belongings and ship's property had been stolen.	Crew's personal belongings and ship's property stolen	Crew conducted security check and reported the incident to Japan Coast Guard	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan)	-
2	ARDMORE CHINOOK Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 15591 9707869	03/08/2015 00:45 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Belewan Anchorage Indonesia 03° 56.30' N 098° 44.80' E	Robbers reportedly boarded the ship through an anchor chain and hawse pipe. They managed to steal the ship's bell, but when the alarm was raised they fled into a small boat, using a rope secured to the ship's railing. All crew safe.	-	Incident immediately reported to the ship management	No	Marshall Islands -	-
3	NAME WITHHELD Tanker Marshall Islands 15591	03/08/2015 07:40 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Belawan Anchorage Indonesia 03° 56.30' N 098° 44.80' E	Two robbers armed with knives in a wooden boat boarded the anchored tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds spotted the robbers at the forecandle and informed the bridge. In response the alarm was raised, the crew mustered and rushed to the location. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew's alertness the robbers fled in their boat. A search was subsequently conducted, following which ship's property was reported stolen from the forecandle store.	Ship's property stolen	Alarm raised, crew mustered and search conducted	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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4	SPRING SKY Bulk carrier Singapore 34764 9675755	09/08/2015	SOUTH CHINA SEA Taboneo Anchorage Indonesia 03° 42.40' S 114° 28.20' E	A surveyor arrived from a service boat and requested the C/O of the anchored bulk carrier to conduct a draft survey. As the C/O took the draft readings a small wooden boat approached the ship. A robber boarded the service boat, threatened the boat operator and subsequently approached and struck the C/O with an ice pick. The C/O defended himself but sustained injuries to the elbow. The robber eventually fled and the C/O was treated in a nearby floating barge clinic.	C/O injured	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	OVERSEAS ALCESMAR Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 30018 9265861	12/08/2015 10:45 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Belewan Anchorage Indonesia 03° 56.30' N 098° 44.80' E	Robbers boarded the anchored product tanker through the anchor chain and hawse pipe. They stole ship's property and fled unnoticed. Once the crew returned to work after the morning break, they found wet footprints on the deck and discovered the forecabin store forced open. Items from the ship's stores had been stolen. The robbers had forced open the hawse pipe cover and pushed aside the razor wire, to facilitate their efforts to board the ship. Ship's agent notified.	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised, crew mustered and search conducted on board	Yes Belewan Port Authorities	Marshall Islands ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	BBC HUDSON General cargo ship Antigua and Barbuda 12936 9435868	16/08/2015 08:00 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Guanta Anchorage Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	While on routine rounds on board the anchored ship, the boatswain noticed three storerooms open and their padlocks broken. He raised the alarm in response and the crew mustered. Following an investigation it was determined that the robbers had boarded the ship via the anchor chain, stolen ship's properties and fled.	Three storerooms broken into and ship's property stolen	Alarm raised and crew mustered	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
7	PORT HAINAN Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 33036 9456422	18/08/2015 03:50 LT	WEST AFRICA Boma anchorage Democratic Rep. of the Congo 05° 52.60' S 013° 01.70' E	A robber boarded the anchored bulk carrier awaiting berthing instructions at Matadi, in the Congo River. Duty A/B and OS spotted the robber on the main deck near cargo hold No.2. Upon seeing the duty crew approaching him, the robber jumped overboard and fled. The Duty officer was informed and the alarm was raised and the crew mustered in response. A search was subsequently conducted, following which it was determined that nothing had been stolen.	-	Alarm raised, crew mustered and search conducted on board	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
8	TINTOMARA Product tanker Liberia 26914 9234599	20/08/2015 10:50 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA New Davao Oil Mill, Davao Port Philippines 07° 02.00' N 125° 39.00' E	Boatswain on board the berthed product tanker spotted and verbally confronted an unauthorised person on deck. Upon seeing the alerted crew the unauthorised person jumped overboard and fled. Following a search on board it was determined that ship's property was stolen.	Ship's property stolen	Additional watchmen put in place	Yes Port Terminal	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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N°	Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage IMO Number	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	Coastal State Action Taken
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9	MAERSK BORNEO Singapore 19758 9341445	24/08/2015 04:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Kuala Tanjung Jetty A Indonesia 03° 23.00' N 099° 27.00' E	While at berth, the engine room team noticed items missing once the ship had departed Kuala Tanjung. After conducting a search of the engine room it was determined that the items missing included: one portable drilling machine, one portable jigsaw cutter, medium and large size portable grinders, one disc cutting machine (300mm), box spanners and extension rod. All crew safe.	Ship's property reportedly missing	Conducted search in the engine room	Yes ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-
10	WAWASAN SAPPHIRE Chemical tanker Hong Kong, China 11572 9508158	28/08/2015 01:40 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Buenaventura Inner Anchorage Colombia 03° 50.18' N 077° 09.20' W	Duty A/B on routine rounds on board the chemical tanker spotted four robbers lowering paint drums into a waiting boat. He immediately informed the duty officer who raised the alarm. The crew mustered and proceeded towards the robbers. Upon seeing the approaching crew, the robbers fled with ship's stores. Port control informed.	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised and crew alerted	Yes Port control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Ship boarded by Coast Guard for investigation

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

N°	Ship Name	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.227 ANNEX II
	Type of Ship								Gross Tonnage
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	SOHO TRADER Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 36426 9735945	12/08/2015 00:30 UTC	ARABIAN SEA Oman 22° 12.00' N 060° 21.00' E	Two boats approached the bulk carrier and attacked it from the port quarter. Search lights were directed towards the boats and three security guards fired towards the boats. The ship increased speed and the boats moved away.	-	Search lights directed towards suspicious boats, security guards fired shots towards them, crew put on standby in accordance with ship's procedures, ship increased speed and all accommodation door locks checked	No	Marshall Islands -	-
2	MALBEC Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 24066 9364928	12/08/2015 20:30 UTC	MEDITERRANEAN SEA Libya 33° 07.00' N 021° 51.00' E	Unidentified speed boat approached the oil/chemical tanker at a distance of 50-100 metres and gave verbal instructions to the Master over the VHF to stop the ship. Evasive manoeuvres were initiated by the ship and gradually the speed boat lagged behind.	-	Evasive manoeuvring applied in accordance with ship's reaction plan	No	Marshall Islands -	-

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	HELEN N Bulk carrier Liberia 151448 9479163	03/08/2015 02:20 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 6nm SW of Pulau Nipa - Straits of Malacca and Singapore Indonesia 01° 05.20' N 103° 35.00' E	While sailing, the crew on anti-piracy watch, spotted a rope on the main deck. The Master sounded the alarm and mustered the crew. The alarm deterred the boarding attempt and a boat was seen fleeing the scene of the incident.	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard were informed. Indonesian authorities also informed
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N°	Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage IMO Number	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	Coastal State Action Taken
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

2	ADVANTAGE SUMMER Oil tanker Marshall Islands 83805 9419890	21/08/2015 02:30 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Appr. 2.9nm NE of Pulau Karimun Kecil Indonesia 01° 10.60' N 103° 26.70' E	While underway, five robbers in a speed boat attempted to board the tanker from the stern, using a grappling hook. The watchman spotted the robbers and raised the alarm. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the alerted crew, the robbers aborted the attempted boarding and moved away. VTIS Singapore informed.	-	Incident reported to Singapore VTIS by the Master	Yes Singapore VTIS	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Singapore VTIS informed the Republic of Singapore Navy and Singapore Police Coast Guard. Indonesian and Malaysian authorities also notified
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