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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 30 April 2016 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 March 2016 being MSC.4/Circ.224, MSC.4/Circ.225, MSC.4/Circ.226, MSC.4/Circ.227, MSC.4/Circ.228, MSC.4/Circ.229, MSC.4/Circ.230, MSC.4/Circ.231, MSC.4/Circ.232 (Annual Report), MSC.4/Circ.233, MSC.4/Circ.234 and MSC.4/Circ.235.

ANNEX I
Acts of piracy and armed robbery allegedly committed 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. 236 ANNEX I
	Type of Ship								Gross Tonnage
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	MASSIVE 6 Tug Malaysia 269 9265823	01/04/2016 18:15 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx. 27 nm Southeast of Semporna, Sabah Malaysia 04° 07.56' N 118° 55.76' E	Eight pirates armed with firearms in a speed boat approached and boarded the tug underway. They opened fire, stole crew personal belongings, kidnapped four crew members and fled. The remaining crew members sailed the vessel to the vicinity of Semporna and thereafter a Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) patrol boat escorted the vessel to a safe port.	Crew personal belongings stolen and 4 crew members kidnapped	Master notified other sistership and the owner immediately. The remaining five crew continued their voyage with MMEA as escort and arrived safely at the port of Tawau, Malaysia	Yes MMEA Putrajaya and Philippines Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines)	A MMEA patrol boat escorted the tug to a safe port. Investigation is on going. The Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN) had deployed boats along with ships from the MMEA to conduct maritime security patrols within the area.
2	PULI Product tanker Malta 10910 9330434	11/04/2016 01:30 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 118nm SSW of Port Harcourt Nigeria 02° 48.40' N 006° 40.90' E	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 property, crew personal belongings and kidnapped six crew members. The tanker continued her passage towards a safe port. No injuries to crew. On 25.04.2016, the six kidnapped crew members were released safely.	Pirates boarded the tanker, stole cash, ship's property, crew personal belongings and kidnapped six crew members	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	CMA CGM TURQUOISE Container ship Liberia 40560 9386471	11/04/2016 20:56 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 30nm SW of Bayelsa Coast Nigeria 04° 08.02' N 005° 23.05' E	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 Piracy Reporting Centre reporting that they had lost contact with the ship. The IMB PRC liaised with the Nigerian Authority 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. On 19.05.2016, the two kidnapped crew members were released safely.	Two crew members was kidnapped.	Alarm raised, SSAS activated and crew's mustered in the citadel	Yes Nigerian Authority and Hellenic MRCC	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	The Nigerian Navy boarded the ship for investigations

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

4	ARMADA TUAH 101 Supply ship Malaysia 2147 9387293	19/04/2016 07:17 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 97nm SW of Brass Nigeria 03° 30.00' N 004° 50.00' E	Pirates attacked and boarded a vessel underway. The alarm was raised and crew mustered. Non-essential crew retreated into the citadel. Pirates robbed and kidnapped two crew members. All remaining crew proceeded to a safe port.	Ship's and crew property looted and two crew kidnapped	Alarm raised and crew mustered. Non-essential crews retreated into the citadel.	Yes NIMASA and Nigerian Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	NAME WITHHELD Supply ship Bahamas 2465	20/04/2016 05:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA Approx. 39nm SW of Brass Nigeria 03° 39.00' N 006° 08.00' E	Pirates attacked and boarded the vessel underway. The alarm was raised and crew mustered. Non-essential crew's retreated into the citadel. Pirates fled before Nigerian Navy boarded the vessel. All crew reported safe. Vessel escorted to a safe port by Nigerian Navy.	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered. Non-essential crews retreated into the citadel	Yes Nigerian Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Nigerian Navy boarded the vessel and escorted to a safe port

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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	POSH VIKING Tug Cayman Islands (United Kingdom) 2538 9494292	06/04/2016 11:06 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Approx. 4.2 nm Northwest of Nongsa Point, in the Westbound lane of the TSS in Singapore Strait Singapore 01° 16.10' N 104° 05.20' E	While the tug boat towing a barge was underway, two robbers boarded the barge from a small wooden boat. They stole a Norwegian buoy towed at the stern of the barge and fled. The master raised the alarm and reported the incident to the Singapore's Port and Operation Control Centre (POCC) who initiated navigational broadcast, and informed the Indonesian and Malaysian authority. On 7 Apr 16 at about 0730 hrs, the Indonesian authority arrested the robbers in Kampung Agas, Batam and recovered the Norwegian buoy.	One Norwegian buoy stolen	Alarm raised and reported the incident to the Singapore's Port and POCC	Yes Singapore's Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS) via VHF	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Republic of Singapore Navy (RSN) and Singapore Police Coast Guard (SPCG) initiated navigational broadcast to warn all vessels in the vicinity to maintain a good anti- piracy watch and notified the Indonesia and Malaysia Authorities. The Indonesian authority in response took immediate action and captured the robbers and recovered the stolen buoy on 7 Apr 16 at or about 0730 hrs in Kampung Agas, Batam.
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

2	HENRY Tug Indonesia 245 9302231	15/04/2016 17:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx. 25.37 nm Southwest of Sitangkai Island Philippines 04° 31.26' N 119° 00.00' E	Robbers armed with guns in a speed boat approached, fired upon and boarded the tug towing a barge underway. It was reported that the robbers got into a shoot-out with the Malaysian Maritime Police. One of the crew suffered a gunshot wound during the shoot-out. The robbers kidnapped four crew members and fled. The Malaysian Marine Police escorted the tug to a safe port and transferred the injured crew to a hospital for medical treatment. On 12.05.2016, the four kidnapped crew members were released safely.	Robbers fired upon the tug, shot one crew member and kidnapped four crew members	-	Yes Coastal State	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines)	Malaysian Marine Police escorted the tug to a safe port and transferred the injured crew to a hospital. The Philippine authority constantly monitored the movements of extremist groups in Southern Philippines
3	LEWEK CHAMPION Barge carrier Singapore 25112 9377377	16/04/2016 03:42 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx. 10.8 nm North of Pulau Bintan Indonesia 01° 23.70' N 104° 33.60' E	Five unauthorized persons were spotted 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 was conducted throughout the vessel. No unauthorized persons located and nothing reported stolen. Incident reported to the authority.	-	Duty officer raised the alarm, made PA announcement and crew mustered. Search was carried out throughout the vessel	Yes Flag State and Singapore MPA	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	SEA HOLLY Oil tanker Marshall Islands 58070 9266865	23/04/2016 01:40 LT	YELLOW SEA Longkou Anchorage China 37° 50.50' N 120° 02.00' E	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 fled. Approximately 8.46 metric tons of Low Sulphur Marine Gas Oil (LSMGO) have been stolen. Incident reported to Yantai VTS and notified the ship's CSO.	Approximately 8.46 metric tons of LSMGO stolen.	Alarm raised and crew mustered. Incident reported to Yantai VTS and notified the ship's CSO	Yes Yantai VTIS	Marshall Islands ICC- IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (China)	-

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1	FRONTIER HERO Bulk carrier Panama 43291 9701308	01/04/2016 01:45 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Samarinda Anchorage Indonesia 00° 15.20' S 117° 34.80' E	D/O onboard a vessel heard voices at the forecastle deck. The alarm was raised and an announcement was made on the PA system. As crew members rushed to the location the robbers fled with 3 mooring lines.	3 mooring lines stolen	Alarm raised, ship's whistle sounded and crew mustered	Yes Coastal State	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan)	-
2	COUGAR Container ship Liberia 17156 9014080	03/04/2016 23:45 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Jakarta Anchorage Indonesia 05° 59.40' S 106° 54.30' E	Five robbers boarded the anchored container ship using a hook attached with a rope. Alert crew spotted the robbers and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers jumped overboard and fled. A search was conducted on board, following which it was determined that nothing had been stolen. Incident reported to pilot station and local agent who then reported to the port police. When the ship came alongside on 04.04.2016, the port police boarded the ship for investigation.	-	Alarm raised, ship's whistle sounded and crew mustered	Yes Pilot Station and Port Police	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Port Police boarded the ship for investigation
3	CAPRICORNUS LEADER Vehicle carrier Singapore 61854 9283863	10/04/2016 03:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Batagas Bay- Delta Anchorage Philippines 13° 45.40' N 121° 01.20' E	While at anchor, A/B noticed that the watertight door to the forward mooring station could not be opened. Thereafter, it was found out that the watertight door was tied by an unidentified person with iron rods to prevent the opening. The general alarm was raised and the Master requested the agent to report and coordinate the matter to the nearest Coast Guard Station. In the presence of Coast Guard personnel, the watertight door was successfully opened. Some foot prints were found on deck. A search was conducted, following which it was determined that 2 fire hose couplings, 2 fire hose nozzles and 1 coil of welding cables had been stolen.	Ship's property stolen	Informed the agent about the incident and requested the latter to coordinate with the nearest Coast Guard Station.	Yes Coast Guard Station Batangas	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines), ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Coast Guard boarded the ship for investigation
4	FEDERAL LYRA Bulk carrier Panama 31779 9668063	12/04/2016 04:00 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Buenaventura Inner Anchorage Zone G Colombia	Three robbers armed with guns and knives boarded the anchored bulk carrier. Duty AB on routine rounds spotted the robbers on the forecastle deck and reported to the OOW. The alarm was raised and crew mustered. Upon seeing the alerted crew, the robbers fled with forward liferaft and three lifebuoys.	Forward liferaft and three lifebuoys stolen	Alarm raised and crew mustered	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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5	KOTA RANCAK Container ship Singapore 9678 9296298	12/04/2016 07:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Semarang Anchorage Indonesia 06° 54.00' S 110° 22.00' E	Three robbers boarded the anchored container ship. Duty Oiler spotted robbers in the engine room and immediately informed the bridge. The alarm was raised and crew mustered. Upon seeing the crew alertness, the robbers fled with engine spare parts.	Engine spare parts stolen	Alarm raised, crew mustered and inspection conducted onboard after the incident	Yes Port Authority and Flag State	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	Port Authority acknowledged and investigated
6	NAME WITHHELD Chemical tanker Saudi Arabia 29168	19/04/2016 02:47 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Belawan Anchorage Indonesia 03° 56.00' N 098° 45.00' E	Duty AB on routine rounds spotted a robber on the forecastle deck and informed the OOW who raised the alarm. Upon hearing the alarm the robber fled. All crew mustered and a search was eventually conducted on board. Incident reported to the port control.	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
7	PRIME EXPRESS Product tanker Panama 28725 9459242	21/04/2016 23:30 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage No.12 Peru 12° 00.13' S 077° 13.32' W	Deck watch keepers on routine rounds spotted a robber attempting to break into the forecastle store. OOW informed, the alarm was raised, fog horn was sounded and all crew mustered. Upon seeing the alerted crew, the robber fled. Nothing reported stolen.	-	Alarm raised, fog horn sounded and crew mustered.	Yes Callao Peru Anchorage Authority	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
8	HORIZON GEOBAY Research ship Panama 3502 7801556	25/04/2016 02:00 LT	WEST AFRICA Pointe Noire Inner Anchorage Congo 04° 45.00' S 011° 50.00' E	Two robbers boarded the anchored general cargo ship, stole ship's property and fled.	Ship's property stolen	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
9	J. F. J. DE NUL Cutter/dredger Luxembourg 9497 9260677	25/04/2016 04:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Batu Ampar Anchorage, Pulau Batam Indonesia 01° 09.35' N 103° 56.69' E	While at anchor, four robbers were spotted on the main deck near the entrance of the boatswain store. The greaser shouted at the robbers who immediately fled into a waiting small boat. A search was conducted, following which it was determined that ship's property had been stolen. The authority boarded the ship on the following day for investigations.	Ship's property stolen	Greaser shouted at the robbers and search was conducted. Master informed security team ashore	Yes Indonesian Authority and Coastal State	RECAAP ISC via IFC, ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	The Indonesian Navy boarded the ship for investigations
10	SBI TANGO Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 34835 9714707	25/04/2016 11:00 UTC	YELLOW SEA Rizhao Port China 35° 21.00' N 119° 32.00' E	During patrol of the ship, it was noticed that the yellow security tags on the fire boxes had been broken. The fire boxes were open and nozzles had been taken. A stevedore leaving the ship who refused to be searched was found out having 3 nozzles stolen by him.	3 nozzles stolen	Effectiveness and alertness of crew as per SSP security level measures actions at port and security bills.	No	Marshall Islands ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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11	WARRAMBOO Bulk carrier Japan 132512 9621340	29/04/2016 01:00 LT	YELLOW SEA Jingtang Anchorage China 38° 55.50' N 119° 13.80' E	Duty crew onboard the anchored ship noticed the level gauges for the diesel oil tanks lower than normal. The diesel oil tank vent was 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.	Ship's fuel stolen	-	Yes Port Authority	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
12	NEW CHALLENGE Tanker Marshall Islands 41994 9298284	30/04/2016 06:50 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Visakhapatnam Anchorage India 17° 35.40' N 083° 24.90' E	Two robbers in a boat approached and boarded the anchored tanker awaiting berthing instructions. Duty watchman spotted two robbers on the poop deck trying to open the deck locker. He immediately informed the D/O who raised the alarm, made PA announcement, crew mustered and approached the location. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers fled. A search was conducted, following which it was determined that locker padlock was broken and fire axe had been stolen. Port control informed.	Locker padlock broken and fire axe stolen	D/O raised the alarm, made PA announcement, crew mustered and approached the location. Placed additional watchmen on duty after the incident.	Yes Port Control of Vizag	Marshall Islands ICC- IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (India)	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	MADONNA 1 Chemical tanker Panama 11438 9407031	01/04/2016 11:53 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 41nm SW of Brass Nigeria 03° 54.00' N 005° 41.00' E	Duty officers onboard a 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 at the tanker and attempted to board the tanker several times using ladders and grappling hook attached with a rope. All non-essential crew members mustered in a safe room. The IMB Piracy Reporting Centre received information from the owners and informed the Nigerian Navy. The Nigerian Navy advised that they will 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.	Pirates opened fire at the tanker and attempted to board the tanker several times using ladders and grappling hook attached with a rope	Alarm raised, sent distress messages, took anti-piracy preventive measures and crew members locked all entrance doors. All non-essential crew members mustered in the citadel	Yes Nigerian Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	NORDIC FREEDOM Oil tanker Bahamas 83594 9288887	07/04/2016 09:20 UTC	WEST AFRICA Approx. 78nm SW of Brass Nigeria 03° 18.60' N 005° 23.90' E	Seven pirates armed with automatic weapons in a wooden speed boat approached a 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. The general alarm was raised, SSAS activated and crew mustered. The tanker immediately proceeded towards the terminal and the terminal security boat escorted the tanker.	-	Alarm raised, SSAS activated and crew mustered.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	OTTOMAN EQUITY Tanker Turkey 79934 9404950	10/04/2016 10:00 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 74nm SW of Brass Nigeria 03° 17.80' N 005° 31.00' E	Seven pirates in a skiff approached the drifting tanker awaiting berthing instructions. The pirates came alongside and attempted to board the tanker using a metal expandable ladder but failed due to the tanker high freeboard. The alarm was raised, fire pump was activated, all 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 fled.	-	Alarm raised, fire pump activated, crew mustered and all entrance doors locked	Yes Agbami Terminal	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Security boat was sent to assist the tanker

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4	MADONNA 1 Chemical tanker Panama 11438 9407031	18/04/2016 16:15 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 31nm SW of Bayelsa Coast Nigeria 03° 54.00' N 005° 38.00' E	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.	Pirates fired upon the tanker	SSAS activated. Armed guard onboard the tanker opened fire while the Master carried out evasive maneuvers	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	AFRICAN BEAUTY Product tanker Panama 28277 9047386	19/04/2016 17:15 UTC	WEST AFRICA Approx. 58nm SW of Brass Nigeria 03° 53.00' N 005° 22.00' E	Seven pirates armed with guns approached a tanker underway. The alarm was raised, crew mustered, water hose activated and Master commenced evasive manoeuvres. Due to the high freeboard and hardening measures deployed by the vessel, the pirates aborted the attack and moved away. All crew safe.	-	Alarm raised, crew mustered, water hose activated and Master carried out evasive manoeuvres.	Yes Nigerian Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	OLIVIA I Product tanker Nigeria 11423 9053191	28/04/2016 11:12 LT	WEST AFRICA Approx. 67nm SW of Bayelsa Nigeria 03° 56.00' N 004° 43.00' E	Pirates in a speed boat approached and opened fire on a tanker underway. The alarm was raised, all crew mustered, SSAS was activated and Master carried out evasive manoeuvres. Armed security team onboard returned fire resulting in the pirates aborting the attack. All crew safe.	-	Master activated the ship security alert and all crew mustered. Master carried out evasive manoeuvres	Yes Nigerian Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Nigerian Navy respond on VHF CH16 and co-ordinate with ship

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	ANL DARWIN TRADER General cargo ship Cyprus 5272 9372016	17/04/2016 23:45 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx. 24nm NE of Bintan Island Indonesia 01° 30.00' N 104° 52.00' E	Four persons in a wooden boat approached and attempted to board the anchored ship. The alarm was raised, whistle sounded and crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the persons aborted the attempted boarding and moved away.	-	Alarm raised, whistle sounded and crew mustered.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	AMITY Bulk carrier Panama 94710 9492103	21/04/2016 18:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Approx. 18nm East of Dalanganem Island Philippines 10° 38.00' N 120° 34.00' E	Crew onboard a bulk carrier underway spotted a speed boat approaching at high speed. The alarm was raised, whistle was sounded, crew mustered and fire hoses activated. The boat closed to a distance of 40 metres and seeing the alerted crew the boat aborted and move away.	-	Alarm raised, whistle sounded, crew mustered and fire hoses activated.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

IN PORT AREA

1	FAIR APOLLON Product tanker Liberia 6085 9464182	24/04/2016 21:15 UTC	ARABIAN SEA Port Al Mukalla Yemen 14° 25.00' N 049° 08.00' E	Master onboard a tanker underway reported suspected gun shots directed towards his vessel. The armed team onboard the vessel spotted two skiffs in the vicinity and fired warning shots resulting in the skiffs moving away. All crew reported safe.	-	The armed team onboard fired warning shots resulting in the skiffs moving away	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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* The position given should be as accurate as possible including latitude and longitude co-ordinates or as a bearing and distance from a conspicuous landmark
NOTE: SOUTH AMERICA: (A) - Atlantic; (C) - Caribbean; (P) - Pacific
