

**Piracy monthly report for May 2018**  
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**IN TERRITORIAL WATERS**

1	ERIK SPIRIT Oil tanker Bahamas 62929 9292515	05/05/2018 08:00 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Around 12nm NNE of Tanjung Berakit, Bintan Island, Indonesia Indonesia 01° 27.40' N 104° 36.30' E	Unnoticed, robbers boarded an anchored tanker, stole ship's properties and escaped. The theft was noticed during routine emergency drill.	Ship's property stolen	A search has been carried out.	Yes Indonesia	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur.	N/A
2	KIRANA SANTYA Product tanker Singapore 13201 9667277	16/05/2018 03:45 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Tanjung Uban Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia 01° 06.25' N 104° 11.17' E	While at anchor, the master reported that a set of breathing apparatus (BA) compressor was found missing and the padlock was broken. Subsequent investigation and review of the footage from CCTV revealed the presence of two robbers at the poop deck. About 10 minutes later, a wooden boat appeared passing near the poop deck from stern. Another three robbers climbed up the ship from starboard side. The perpetrators were believed to have gained access to the ship unnoticed by the duty officer and A/B. The crew was not injured.	The crew was not injured. A set of breathing apparatus (BA) compressor was stolen. A padlock was broken.	-	Yes Singapore	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur.	-
3	FRONT ULL Tanker Marshall Islands 81670 9600932	19/05/2018 02:01 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 2.5 nm east-northeast of Pulau Karimun Kecil, Indonesia (SOMS) Indonesia 01° 10.00' N 103° 27.00' E	While underway, six robbers boarded the tanker. The duty engineer noticed the robbers, informed the master who raised the alarm. Seeing that the crew had been alerted, the robbers escaped empty-handed.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-
4	BUDGET 19 Tug Malaysia 140 9515369	19/05/2018 15:00 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 4.65 nm southeast of Tanjung Piai, Southern Johor, Malaysia Malaysia 01° 12.29' N 103° 34.12' E	While the tug boat towing a barge was underway, a few small craft were seen alongside the unmanned barge. Robbers in six boats boarded the unmanned barge under tow. They stole the barge cargo of scrap metal and escaped. Some scrap metal was found stolen from the barge. The crew was not injured. Incident reported to the Singapore Marine Police.	The crew was not injured. Some scrap metal was found stolen from the barge.	-	Yes Singapore Vessel Traffic Management	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), IMBKL	Singapore Focal Point initiated navigational broadcast and requested ships to keep a lookout for small craft in the vicinity.  The Republic of Singapore Navy, Singapore Police Coast Guard, Malaysian and Indonesian authorities

\* 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

were notified.

5 CLOVER COLOSSUS Bulk carrier Singapore 31545 9748758	20/05/2018 02:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Merak Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia 05° 52.30' S 106° 04.80' E	While at anchor, three robbers armed with knives boarded the ship by climbing up the portside poop deck using a hook and rope. The duty A/B spotted the robbers who were approaching him from starboard aft of cargo hold 5. The robbers threatened the duty A/B with a knife when he tried to use his handheld radio to call for assistance. While the duty A/B was being held by one of the robbers, the other two robbers entered the accommodation area. Some minutes later, the three robbers jumped into a waiting boat and escaped. Some engine spare parts were stolen.	The duty A/B was threatened with knife by the robbers. Some engine spare parts were stolen.	Enhanced deck watchkeeping was implemented after the incident.	Yes Singapore	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur.	-
6 SEABREEZE Product tanker Malta 31433 9343986	25/05/2018 23:35 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria Nigeria 06° 18.00' N 003° 20.20' E	Two robbers in a small boat approached and boarded an anchored tanker conducting STS operations. Duty watchman noticed the robbers near the forward cargo oil tanks with a hose and raised the alarm. OOW immediately sounded the ship's horn and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers aborted their attempt to steal cargo and escaped. The Nigerian Navy boat patrolling the anchorage was notified. Nothing reported stolen.	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Authority	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Nigeria Navy HQ, MRCC Lagos & NIMASA	The Nigerian Navy boat in pursuit of the small boat
<b>IN PORT AREA</b>								
1 NAME WITHHELD Supply ship Singapore 3585	03/05/2018 00:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA Takoradi Anchorage, Ghana Ghana 04° 54.00' N 001° 42.00' W	Two robbers boarded a supply ship. The duty watchman noticed the robbers and raised the alarm, resulting in the robbers escaping. The crew noticed that the padlock on the paint locker was broken but nothing was stolen. Port Control informed.	-	Alarm raised.	Yes Ghana Navy HQ	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP via ReCAAP focal point (Japan).	-
2 NORD SEOUL Bulk carrier Singapore 22683 9544736	05/05/2018 05:30	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage, Peru Peru 12° 01.40' S 077° 10.70' W	Three robbers in a wooden boat with an outboard engine approached and boarded an anchored ship using a hook attached to a rope. Duty lookout noticed the robbers, raised the alarm and crew mustered. OOW sounded the ship's whistle and notified the Port Authorities. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores.	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised, sounded ship's whistle and crew mustered	Yes Port Authority	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3 WANGARATTA Bulk carrier Panama 43012 9461166	18/05/2018 19:35 UTC	INDIAN OCEAN Tarahan Anchorage, Indonesia. Indonesia 05° 32.00' S 105° 18.80' E	While at anchor, five robbers armed with knives boarded the ship using a rope. They held the duty AB hostage, tied him and threatened him with knives. The robbers stole the ship's properties, damaged the door to the engine room, stole engine spares and escaped. The AB managed to free himself and raise the alarm. The OOW sounded the ship's horn and mustered the crew. A search was conducted on board the ship.	The duty AB was held hostage, tied and threatened with knives. He was not injured. The door to the engine room was damaged, and the ship's properties and engine spares were stolen.	The AB raised the alarm, and the OOW sounded the ship's horn and mustered the crew.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan) and ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-

4	MAERSK TANGIER Product tanker Singapore 29445 9726451	23/05/2018 23:10 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria 06° 15.90' N 003° 12.20' E	While at anchor, a robber was sighted on deck and the crew raised the alarm. The robber jumped overboard immediately and escaped in a waiting skiff, with another robber on board. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	Alarm raised.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (United Kingdom)	-
5	GRANDE CONGO Ro-ro-cargo ship Italy 47658 9437921	26/05/2018 01:15 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Port, Nigeria Nigeria	Seven robbers boarded the berthed ship. They took hostage the duty crew, tied him up, took his UHF radio and asked for the location of the paint store and then stole ship's stores. The duty crew managed to free himself and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers escaping. A search was carried out. PFSO and local agents informed.	Ship's stores stolen.	Alarm raised and crew mustered.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur. PRC relayed message to Nigeria Navy HQ, MRCC Lagos & NIMASA	-

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**IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS**

1	ELENI M Bulk carrier Malta 28718 9228033	08/05/2018 09:20 UTC	WEST AFRICA Around 41nm South of Brass, Nigeria Nigeria 03° 37.20' N 006° 16.40' E	Six pirates in a speed boat approached and came alongside the ship while underway. They hooked a ladder on the ship's railing and attempted to board. Master raised the alarm, activated SSAS, increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. Due to the hardening measures taken by the Master, the pirates aborted the attempted attack and moved away leaving their ladder hanging on the ship's side.	Pirates hooked a ladder on the ship's railing and attempted to board.	Master raised the alarm, activated SSAS, increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and non-essential crew mustered in the citadel.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	NAME WITHHELD	21/05/2018 22:55 UTC	WEST AFRICA Approximately 140nm South of Lome, Togo Togo 03° 46.00' N 001° 30.00' E	An attempt was made by one individual to board a Merchant Vessel. The attempt was thwarted by a crew member and the intruder fled in a skiff with a further six persons on board. Vessel and crew are safe.	-	A crew member prevented the boarding.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, MDAT-GOG	-

**IN TERRITORIAL WATERS**

1	Name Withheld Fishing vessel Malaysia	08/05/2018 18:00 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Felda Sahabat, Sabah, Malaysia Malaysia 04° 55.12' N 119° 06.70' E	Armed persons in a boat approached a group of fishing vessels at high speed. A Malaysian Marine Police boat in the vicinity noticed the approach and chased the boat resulting in the persons firing upon the Marine Police boat. In the ensuing exchange of fire four armed persons were killed. The Malaysian Marine Police indicated the intentions of the armed persons was to kidnap the fishermen for ransom.	-	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur received the incident details from Esscom Sabah, Malaysia.	The Malaysian Marine Police boat exchanged fire with the armed persons resulting in four armed persons were killed.
2	NAME WITHHELD	25/05/2018 23:35 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Nigeria 06° 18.00' N 003° 20.20' E	An attempt was made to board an MV. Alarm was sounded. The 2 people on board jumped off the vessel into a skiff. Vessel and crew are safe.	-	Alarm raised	No	MDAT-GoG	-
3	NAME WITHHELD Bulk carrier Marshall Islands	26/05/2018 21:15 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Around 5nm SE of Bontang, Indonesia Indonesia 00° 02.40' S 117° 34.90' E	Duty AB on routine rounds on board an anchored ship noticed robbers attempting to board the ship via the hawse pipe. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers aborted their attempt and retreated to their boat.	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Authority	Indonesia ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur relayed message to Bakamla, Indonesia Marine Police HQ & Indonesia Navy HQ	-

4 NAME WITHHELD Marshall Islands 44200	27/05/2018 05:15 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Selat Lombok, Indonesia Indonesia	Master noticed several persons attempted to board vessel via anchor chain. Alarm was raised and intruders retreated.	-	Alarm sounded	No	Marshall Islands ICC- IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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## IN PORT AREA

1 VELA OCEAN Bulk carrier Singapore 30006 9480966	06/05/2018 15:25 UTC	INDIAN OCEAN Chittagong Alpha Anchorage, Bangladesh. Bangladesh 22° 15.00' N 091° 44.90' E	While at anchor, the duty watchmen spotted seven robbers attempting to board the ship. The duty officer sounded the general alarm immediately, followed by a public announcement to alert crew of the situation. The crew was mustered at the ship's office while the duty watchmen entrapped the perpetrators, resulting in a futile boarding attempt. The robbers eventually jumped overboard and escaped. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	The general alarm was sounded, a public announcement was made and crew was mustered	Yes Singapore	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-
2 BALTIC SCORPION Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 36353 9729477	06/05/2018 15:30 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Muara Berau Anchorage, Samarinda, Indonesia Indonesia 00° 13.80' S 117° 33.80' E	Duty AB on routine rounds on board an anchored ship heard noise coming from the hawse pipe and sighted somebody trying to remove the hawse pipe protection cover. OOW immediately informed, alarm raised and ship's whistle sounded. Upon hearing the alarm, the robbers aborted their attempted boarding and escaped. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. Nothing reported stolen. SSO tried to call the port control on VHF but received no response.	The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.	Alarm raised, sounded ship's whistle and crew mustered. Searched was carried out. Attempted to call the Port Control through VHF.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	-
3 MOUNT TRAVERS  Hong Kong, China 16978 9263772	19/05/2018 02:02 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria Nigeria 06° 26.18' N 003° 23.42' E	Seven robbers attempted to board an anchored ship using a rope attached to a hook. Duty crew noticed the robbers, raised the alarm and alerted the security watchmen who notified the local authorities. Seeing the alerted crew the robbers aborted the attempted boarding and moved away.	None.	Alarm raised and notified security watchmen	Yes Nigeria	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	N/A
4 JAG PUNIT Product tanker India 29967 9709984	23/05/2018 07:00 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Puerto Jose Anchorage, Venezuela Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) 10° 11.34' N 064° 47.74' W	A white skiff with three robbers on board came alongside an anchored tanker. They tried to board the tanker via the poop deck. Duty crew spotted the robbers and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers aborting the attempted boarding and moving away.	-	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5 NAME WITHHELD	23/05/2018 23:01 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage Nigeria 06° 15.90' N 003° 12.20' E	MV reported an attempted boarding in (Lagos anchorage). Intruder was sighted on deck, crew raised alarm and intruder jumped overboard and escaped in a skiff. Crew and ship are safe.	-	Alarm raised	No	MDAT-GoG	-

