Piracy monthly report May 2020 Acts of piracy and armed robbery allegedly committed against ships reported by Member States or international organizations in consultative status

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| Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage N° 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 INTERNATIONAL | WATERS | 4 | L | | | l | | J] |
| 1 Amerger VII Fishing vessel Gabon | 03/05/2020 03:00 UTC | WEST AFRICA Around 22nm WNW of Libreville, Gabon Gabon 00° 30.50' N 009° 06.21' E | Unknown persons attack the fishing vessel. Three crews were reported kidnapped. The incident was reported to the Gabon Authorities who then escorted the remaining crew back to a safe port. | Vessel was attacked and three crew kidnapped. | - | Yes Gabon Authorities | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Gabon Navy. | Gabon Navy escorted the vessel to a safe port. |
| 2 Torm Lotte Product tanker Denmark 29325 9392468 | 03/05/2020 19:50 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Around 29nm NE of Pulau Bintan, Indonesia Indonesia 01° 36.70' N 104° 52.80' E | Four robbers in a wooden boat, armed with knives, came alongside an anchored product tanker. Two of the robbers boarded the tanker using a hook attached with a rope. Duty AB on routine rounds encountered the robbers and immediately informed the bridge. Alarm raised, PA announcement made and crew mustered. The robbers took the AB's UHF radio by force and escaped. A search was made throughout the tanker. Padlocks to four storerooms were found broken but nothing reported stolen. | An UHF radio was stolen from the duty A/B. Four padlocks were broken (steering gear room, rope locker, oxygen/acetylene and deck workshop), but nothing was missing from these rooms. | The master alerted ships in the vicinity on VHF and conducted a search on board the ship. The master informed the shipping company's security department and the local agent about the incident. | Yes Local Agent | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Bakamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ and ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Denmark). | - |
| 3 ESL AUSTRALIA General cargo ship Cyprus 11864 9365661 | 20/05/2020 17:30 UTC | WEST AFRICA Around 142 NM SW of Brass, Nigeria Nigeria 02° 14.50' N 005° 03.70' E | Seven heavily armed pirates attacked and boarded a general cargo ship underway. The crew retreated into the citadel and contacted the owners and IMB PRC for help. The IMB Piracy Reporting Centre immediately started liaising with the Nigerian Authorities and requested for assistance. Two Nigerian Naval vessels responded. By the time the naval vessels arrived near the ship, the pirates had disembarked. The crew emerged from the citadel and the Naval vessels remained alongside the ship until daylight to ensure safety and security. | - | Stop the vessel and all crew retreated into the citadel. | Yes IMB and MRCC Larnaca | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Nigerian Navy HQ & MRCC Lagos/NIMASA | and remained |
| 4 Sea Blessia - I Fishing vessel India 87 | 29/05/2020 08:00 LT | ARABIAN SEA Approximately 20 nm along the coastline from Goa, India India | While underway, a gang of 15 fishermen belonging to the local fishing community from Malwan, Maharashtra, India boarded the fishing trawler and stole the trawler's equipment and fish catch. The master reported the incident to the harbour coastal police station in Goa, India. The perpetrators were arrested by the Goa coastal police within 24 hours and investigation was ongoing. | The crew was not injured. The trawler's equipment and fish catch were stolen. | The master reported incident to the coastal police in Goa and informed the owner. | No | ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (India) | The Goa coastal police arrested the perpetrators within 24 hours and investigation was ongoing |

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

| 1 Amerger II Fishing vessel Senegal 110 | 03/05/2020 05:00 UTC | WEST AFRICA Around 11nm West of Corisco Island, Equatorial Guinea Equatorial Guinea 00° 55.24' N 009° 08.09' E | Unknown persons attacked the fishing vessel. Three crews were reported kidnapped. The incident was reported to the Authorities who then escorted the remaining crew back to a safe port. | Vessel was attacked and three crew kidnapped. | - | Yes Local Authorities | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Equatorial Guinea Navy, Gabon Navy and Cameroon Navy | The Authorities escorted the vessel to a safe port |
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| 2 VEGA AQUARIUS Bulk carrier Liberia 33044 9429170 | 09/05/2020 15:48 UTC | MALACCA STRAIT Singapore Strait Singapore 01° 15.20' N 104° 05.80' E | Five robbers armed with knives boarded the ship underway. They injured the duty crew on watch and stole his personal properties. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness the robbers escaped with stolen ship's properties. Incident reported to VTIS. | Crew injured and Ships's properties stolen | Alarm raised and crew mustered | Yes VTIS | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Singapore Police Coast Guard | Singapore Police Coast Guard escort the vessel until high seas |
| 3 VEGA AQUARIUS Bulk carrier Liberia 33044 9429170 | 09/05/2020 23:45 LT | SOUTH CHINA SEA Approximately 3 nm north of Pulau Nongsa, Indonesia 01° 15.10' N 104° 04.48' E | While the tanker was en route from Singapore to China, five perpetrators armed with knives were sighted at the stern deck of the ship. The perpetrators confronted the duty ordinary seaman and robbed his cellular phone. The ordinary seaman managed to escape and alerted the master at the wheelhouse. The alarm was raised and the crew mustered at the wheelhouse. A search on board the ship was conducted by the crew after the perpetrators escaped and two sets of breathing apparatus were reported stolen. The ordinary seaman sustained minor head injury. | The duty ordinary seaman sustained minor head injury. A cellular phone and two sets of breathing apparatus were stolen. | The alarm was raised and the crew mustered at the wheelhouse. A search on board the ship was conducted by the crew. | Yes Singapore VTIS | ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) | A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore PCG and the Indonesian authorities were notified. |
| | | | The master reported the incident to Singapore Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS). A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF), Singapore Police Coast Guard (PCG) and the Indonesian authorities were notified. The ship required no assistance and resumed her voyage. | | | | | |
| 4 DOLPHIN 1 Tug Comoros 499 9541899 | 15/05/2020 18:50 LT | MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 2.2 nm south-southwest of Tanjung Piai, Johor, Malaysia Malaysia 01° 13.85' N 103° 30.08' E | While the tug boat towing barge was underway, two perpetrators were sighted on the tug boat. The perpetrators stole two mooring ropes and escaped in a small craft. There was no confrontation with the crew. The master reported the incident to Singapore VTIS. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore PCG and the Malaysian authorities were notified. The crew was safe. No further assistance was required and the tug boat resumed her voyage. | The crew was not injured. Two mooring ropes were stolen. | - | Yes Singapore VTIS | ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre | A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore PCG and the Malaysian authorities were notified. |
| 5 SMS SANGATTA Tug Indonesia 372 9637519 | 18/05/2020 22:47 LT | MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 2.1 nm northeast of Pulau Nongsa, Indonesia Indonesia 01° 13.35' N 104° 06.53' E | While the tug boat towing the supply vessel was en route from Labuan, Sabah, East Malaysia to Pulau Sambu, Indonesia, three perpetrators boarded the supply vessel. The master raised the alarm and reported the incident to Singapore VTIS. At about 2358 hrs, the master updated that the perpetrators had escaped. The crew was safe and nothing was stolen. No further assistance was | The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen. | The master raised the alarm. | Yes Singapore VTIS | ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) | A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore PCG and the Indonesian |

required; and the tug boat and supply vessel resumed their voyage.

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IN PORT AREA

| 1 Name withheld Supply ship Singapore 4059 | 01/05/2020 00:15 LT | WEST AFRICA Outer Anchorage Port Luanda, Angola Angola 08° 44.09' S 013° 17.70' E | While at anchor, the watch duty officer reported a suspicious noise near the main deck. Upon checking, he saw a perpetrator holding a sharp object rushing towards him. The duty officer alerted other crew and the alarm was raised. The perpetrator escaped in a small motorboat with three other perpetrators. A search of the ship was conducted. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen. | The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen. | The alarm was raised and a search of the ship was conducted. | No | ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore). | - |
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| 2 STAR GLORY Bulk carrier Cayman Islands (United Kingdom) 33232 9503990 | 05/05/2020 23:30 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Muara Berau Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia | Duty crew on routine rounds onboard an anchored ship noticed the forward hatch at the forecastle opened. Upon inspection, it was discovered that the security padlock was broken and ship's stores stolen. Incident reported to the Port Authorities and the local agent. | Ship's stores was stolen. | A search was carried out. | Yes Port Authorities and local agent | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Bakamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ | - |
| 3 Name Withheld General cargo ship Comoros 7366 | 09/05/2020 01:07 UTC | WEST AFRICA Malabo Inner Anchorage, Equatorial Guinea Equatorial Guinea Q4° 47.26' N 008° 45.93' E | Five persons armed with rifles in a skiff approached an anchored ship. They boarded the ship and opened fire causing injuries to two crew members. Before escaping, they kidnapped two crew members and stole two mobile phones. Incident reported to Port Control and a naval ship via VHF ch.16. The naval personnel boarded the ship and evacuated the injured crew to a hospital. It was reported that the crew members had sustained bullet wound injuries in their legs. | Two crew sustained bullet wound injuries in their legs. Two crew kidnapped and two mobile phones were stolen | Alarm raised | Yes Port Control and a naval ship via VHF ch.16 | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Equatorial Guinea Navy. | Equatorial Guinea Navy took control of the ship and evacuated the injured crew to a hospital. |
| 4 PORT PHILLIP Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 20987 9377975 | 10/05/2020 06:00 UTC | SOUTH AMERICA (C) Lafiteau Port, Haiti Haiti 18° 41.44' N 072° 21.46' W | Duty AB on routine rounds onboard the berthed ship noticed an aft mooring rope missing. Alarm raised, crew mustered and a search was carried out onboard the ship. Port Control and agents notified. The PFSO and terminal authorities also searched the port area and around the ship. | Ship's stores stolen. | Alarm raised, crew mustered and a search was carried out. | Yes Port Control | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Police Nationale d'Haiti, Haiti | PFSO and terminal authorities searched the port area and around the ship |
| 5 Name Withheld Product tanker Saudi Arabia | 10/05/2020 20:50 UTC | EAST AFRICA Nacala Anchorage, Mozambique Mozambique 14° 30.10' S 040° 39.50' E | One person boarded an anchored tanker during cargo operation. Alarm raised, resulting in the person escaping with his two accomplices in the boat. Port Control was notified. Nothing reported stolen | - | Alarm raised, crew mustered | Yes Port Control | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to MRCC Mozambique | - |
| 6 MTM PENANG Product tanker Singapore | 15/05/2020 21:00 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Belawan Port, Indonesia Indonesia 03° 47.30' N | Unnoticed, robbers boarded the berthed tanker and stole ship's stores. The incident was noticed after the completion of cargo operations. Incident | Ship's store stolen. | - | Yes Port Authorities | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message | - |

* 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

| 13122 9712591 | | 098° 41.80' E | reported to Port Authority. | | | | to Bakamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ and ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore). | |
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| 7 OCEAN LEADER Product tanker Singapore 11999 9402835 | 16/05/2020 21:00 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Tanjung Uban Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia 01° 05.30' N 104° 10.80' E | Duty crew on routine rounds, onboard an anchored tanker noticed three robbers armed with knives. The crew raised the alarm and retreated into the accommodation. Crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped. Nothing was reported stolen. Tanker and crew safe. | The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen. | Alarm raised and crew mustered | Yes Port Authorities, Singapore VTIS & Coast Guard | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Bakamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ and ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore). | initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore PCG and the Malaysian |
| 8 STI Precision Tanker Marshall Islands 43142 9760213 | 17/05/2020 01:30 LT | SOUTH CHINA SEA Anyer Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia 05° 58.70' S 105° 56.00' E | Vessel was boarded by two (2) armed robbers around 0130 LT. Main Deck and Poop Deck was being patrolled by two crew members when one of them noticed a robber with Long Knife on port quarter who then threatened both crew members to move away upon which one of the crew raised alarm on Walkie Talkie and both ran to safety. While moving away, another robber was noted coming out of steering gear compartment. Upon hearing this one Walki Talk, Duty Office on bridge raised General Alarm and made an announcement on PA system. Robbers left ship bu jumping into the sea and later a boat with three (3) occupants was seen moving away from the vessel. Searchlight was pointed in that area. Subsequently, crew mustering was done and full ship search was carried out. | Crew mentally shaken but not physically harmed. ER spares stolen. | Alarm raised, crew mustered. Searchlight used. Full search performed. | Yes CSO/Supt/Agents/Port and IMB were notified immediately. | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Bakamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ and Marshall Islands and ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) and ReCAAP Focal Point (India). | - |
| 9 Torm Venture Product tanker Denmark 42048 9307798 | 17/05/2020 19:25 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Merak Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia 05° 53.95' S 105° 59.07' E | Three robbers armed with long knives in a small boat boarded an anchored tanker using a ladder. They forced their way into the steering gear room after breaking the padlock. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped in their boat. A search was carried out. It was reported that engine spares were stolen. Port Control was informed. | Engine spares stolen | Alarm raised and crew mustered | Yes Local Authorities | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Bakamla, Indonesian Navy HQ & Indonesian Marine Police HQ and ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Denmark). | - |
| 10 BALTIC COVE Bulk carrier Liberia 23456 9450727 | 21/05/2020 18:30 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Campha Anchorage, Vietnam Viet Nam 20° 57.20' N 107° 18.79' E | Unnoticed, robbers boarded an anchored bulk carrier and stole ship's stores. The incident was noticed after the completion of cargo operations. Incident reported to local agent. | Ship' stores stolen | Search was carried out. | Yes Local agent | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Vietnam Coast Guard & Vietnam Maritime Security | - |

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| 11 Cas Avanca Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 32672 9483190 | 21/05/2020 21:45 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Muara Berau Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia | Robbers boarded a bulk carrier and attempted to break the bosun store lock. They were noticed by ship's crew and alarm raised. The robbers jumped overboard and escaped. Nothing was stolen. Incident reported to port control. Police patrol boat arrived at location and conducted an investigation. | Nil. | Alarm raised. | Yes Port Control | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur from Indonesian Marine Police | Patrol boat conducted an investigation |
| 12 FSL OSAKA Product tanker Singapore 28063 9354519 | 24/05/2020 16:00 UTC | INDIAN OCEAN Chattogram Port, Bangladesh Bangladesh 22° 16.27' N 091° 48.64' E | Unnoticed, robbers boarded a berthed tanker. Duty crew on routine rounds noticed part of a mooring rope missing from the winch. Alarm raised, crew mustered, and a search was carried out. Incident reported to PFSO. | Part of a mooring rope is missing. | Alarm raised, crew mustered, and a search was carried out. | Yes PFSO | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Bangladesh Coast Guard HQ and ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore). | - |
| 13 RED DAISY Bulk carrier Panama 34830 9767584 | 28/05/2020 20:20 UTC | SOUTH CHINA SEA Muara Berau Anchorage, Indonesia Indonesia 00° 16.45' S 117° 36.70' E | Unnoticed, robbers boarded an anchored ship. Duty AB on routine rounds noticed the forecastle skylight opened and anchor pipe cover and padlock missing. He immediately informed the D/O who raised the alarm and crew mustered. A search was carried out. It was reported that ship's stores were stolen. Incident reported to the Coast Guard who boarded the ship for investigation. | Ship's stores stolen. | Alarm raised, crew alerted. | Yes Coast Guard | ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Indonesian authorities. | Coast Guard boarded for investigation. |

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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

| 1 Name withheld Container ship Germany 118945 | 02/05/2020 03:15 UTC | SOUTH AMERICA (P) Around 4nm South of Posorja, Ecuador Ecuador 02° 46.20' S 080° 14.70' W | Seven a upon a c crew mu towards fired fou |
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Seven armed persons in a skiff chased and fired upon a container vessel underway. Alarm raised, crew mustered, and the search light directed towards the skiff. Coast Guard onboard the vessel fired four warning shots resulting in the skiff moving away. Crew and vessel safe. Alarm raised and No crew mustered.

ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre relayed the message to Ecuador Coast Guard, Ecuador Maritime Authority, Ecuador MRCC & Ecuador Navy.