

Piracy monthly report May 2021
Acts of piracy and armed robbery allegedly committed against ships reported by
Member States or international organizations in consultative status

N°	Ship Name Type of Ship Flag Gross Tonnage 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
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	Astro Perseus Tanker Greece 80620 9280873	09/05/2021 22:39 LT	MALACCA STRAIT 3.1 nm north west of Pulau Nongsa, Batam, Indonesia in the eastbound lane of the Traffic Separation Indonesia 01° 14.77' N 104° 02.79' E	<p>While underway, a small craft was sighted following the ship from the stern. The perpetrators attempted to board the ship with a hook or rope thrown to the ship, but it failed to reach the ship. The master also made evasive manoeuvres and prevented the attempted boarding.</p> <p>At 2335 hrs, the master informed the Singapore Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS) that the search on board the ship was completed with no sighting of any perpetrators. Nothing was stolen and all crew was safe. No assistance was required,</p> <p>A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The Republic of Singapore Navy's Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF) and Singapore Police Coast Guard (PCG) were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.</p>	<p>The crew was safe.</p> <p>Nothing was stolen.</p>	<p>The master made evasive manoeuvres to prevent the attempted boarding. A search onboard was carried out with no sighting of any perpetrators. The master reported the incident to Singapore VTIS.</p>	<p>Yes The incident was reported to the Singapore VTIS.</p>	<p>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)</p>	<p>A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The Republic of Singapore Navy's Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF) and Singapore Police Coast Guard (PCG) were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.</p>
2	Alea Bulk carrier Bahamas 17009 9550266	23/05/2021 14:30 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT 6.7 nm north west of Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia in the eastbound lane of TSS Indonesia 01° 16.70' N 104° 16.60' E	<p>While underway, the duty oiler sighted four perpetrators in the engine room. One of the perpetrators threatened the duty oiler with a knife but did not harm him. The perpetrators eventually escaped upon being sighted. The ship's alarm was raised and crew mustered. A search onboard was conducted and no further sighting of the perpetrators onboard. The master declared nothing was stolen. All crew are safe and accounted for. The ship had departed Greece and was bound for Nanjing, China.</p> <p>A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF and Singapore Police Coast Guard were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.</p>	<p>One of the perpetrators threatened the duty oiler with a knife but did not harm him.</p> <p>Nothing was stolen.</p>	<p>The ship's alarm was raised and crew mustered.</p> <p>A search onboard was conducted and no further sighting of the perpetrators onboard</p>	<p>Yes PRC relayed message to Singapore Police Coast Guard & Indonesian Marine Police HQ</p>	<p>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)</p>	<p>A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF and Singapore Police Coast Guard were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.</p>

3 RB Eden Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 43278 9765718	23/05/2021 23:50 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT 6.3 nm north west of Tanjung Pergam, Bintan Island, Indonesia in the eastbound lane of the TSS Indonesia 01° 16.37' N 104° 16.49' E	Duty engine crew onboard the ship underway noticed unauthorized persons in the engine room. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Suspecting the persons to be still onboard, the ship anchored at the OPL. At daybreak, a full search was carried out. The ship continued her voyage once it was determined that no unauthorized persons were onboard.	All crew are safe and accounted for. Nothing was stolen.	Alarm raised, crew mustered, and a search was carried out The ship's alarm was raised and crew mustered.	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF and Singapore Police Coast Guard were notified. Information of the incident was shared with the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities.
4 Dawn-1 Saint Kitts and Nevis 6253 9125281	26/05/2021 08:30 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Approximately off Diu, India in the Indian Seas/Straits India 20° 59.80' N 071° 55.91' E	While underway, 10 perpetrators in two fishing boats were approaching the dead ship towed by a tug, MV Venture. The perpetrators boarded the dead ship from the astern using a ladder. An Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) distress alert was activated and a Marine Police boat was diverted to the location of the incident. However, the perpetrators had escaped. The crew of MV Venture was safe, and yet to confirm the items lost from the ship. A team consisting of the Indian Coast Guard (ICG), Marine Police (Alang) and Customs boarded the ship to investigate the incident upon the ship's arrival at Alang anchorage on 27 May 21	The crew of MV Venture was safe and the losses from the ship are yet to be ascertained.	The crew of MV Venture tried to ascertain the items stolen but could not confirm the exact losses. The crew was not injured.	Yes Distress alert was activated and a Marine Police was diverted to the location of the incident.	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (India)	A team consisting of the Indian Coast Guard, Marine Police (Alang) and Customs boarded the dead ship to investigate the incident upon the ship's arrival at Alang anchorage on 27 May 21. Ships transiting through the area have been alerted to raise the ISPS level and maintain the appropriate security level.

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1 Atlantic Princess Fishing vessel Ghana 720 8124412	19/05/2021 18:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA South of Tema Ghana 04° 33.50' N 000° 15.60' E	While underway, a Fishing vessel was approached, and fired upon and boarded by pirates in a small craft. The pirates stole crew personal belongings, kidnapped five crews and escaped. Ghanaian Navy was notified and a patrol boat was dispatched to escort the fishing vessel back to Tema.	Crew belongings stolen, five crew kidnapped	NA	No	PRC relayed message to Ghana Navy, MRCC Ghana, Italian Navy and Spanish Navy	Ghana Navy despatched a Patrol vessel to escort the fishing vessel to Tema Port
2 Name Withheld Fishing vessel Ghana 498	31/05/2021 19:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA Around 104nm South of Cotonou Benin 04° 33.00' N 002° 23.00' E	Armed pirates in two skiffs approached and boarded a fishing vessel. They ransacked the vessel, kidnapped five crew and escaped. The remaining crew reported the incident to the Authorities and a Ghanaian patrol boat escorted the vessel to a safe port. Crew reported that a mother vessel was sighted in the vicinity.	Ransacked the vessel and kidnapped five crew	NA	Yes Local Authorities	PRC received message from Multinational Maritime Coordination Center Zone F	Ghana Navy patrol boat was dispatched and escorted the fishing vessel to a safe port

IN PORT AREA

1 Admiral Product tanker Gibraltar (United Kingdom) 16914 9234616	04/05/2021 00:30 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage No. 8, Peru 11° 59.50' S 077° 12.40' W	Four robbers armed with knives boarded an anchored tanker. They took the duty AB as hostage and tied him up. The robbers stole the AB's personal belongings and ship's properties and escaped. The duty AB who was tied-up was later found by another AB. Alarm raised and PA announcement made. Owners and port authorities notified.	The duty AB was taken as hostage and was tied up. The AB's personal belongings and ship's properties were stolen	Alarm raised and PA announcement made	Yes Port Authority	PRC relayed message to Coastguard Operations Command, Peru	NA
2 Name Withheld Product tanker Saudi Arabia 29736	31/05/2021 22:20 UTC	EAST AFRICA Fernaos Veloso Bay Anchorage, Mozambique 14° 21.80' S 040° 42.70' E	Two robbers armed with knives boarded an anchored tanker. Duty AB noticed the two robbers and informed the OOW. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped without stealing anything. Incident reported to the Port Authorities via the local agent.	Nil	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Local Authorities	PRC relayed message to Mozambique MRCC	NA

