

Piracy monthly report July
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	Sendje Berge Oil product tanker Singapore 133871 7360057	02/07/2020 04:20 LT	WEST AFRICA Okwori field offshore, around 33nm SSW of Bonny Island, Nigeria Nigeria 03° 51.01' N 006° 58.08' E	While at anchor, armed pirates boarded the vessel and kidnapped nine crew on board. The coordinated attack against the FPSO involved at least two speedboats. One of the boats was used as a decoy to distract crew on the security vessel HUDSON CAPT ELENDU which was used to protect the assets in the Okwori field. The FPSO was then boarded by attaching a hooked ladder to the half-way hoisted gangway. The Nigerian Navy later sent the fast patrol boat NNS SHIRORO to provide assistance to the FPSO which was undergoing maintenance at the time of the attack. The remaining crew left on board were not harmed. The FPSO vessel is permanently moored in the Okwori field offshore, Nigeria. On 09.09.2020, the Owners confirmed that the 9 kidnapped crew members were safely released on 06.08.2020.	Nine crew were kidnapped.	N/A	Yes PRC relayed the message to MRCC Lagos / Nimasa & Nigerian Navy HQ (Ops room)	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) MDAT-GoG ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	The ship manager is cooperating with the local authorities led by the Nigerian Navy. The Nigerian Navy sent the fast patrol boat NNS SHIRORO to provide assistance to the FPSO which was undergoing maintenance at the time of the attack.
2	Kota Budi General cargo ship Singapore 20886 9638630	02/07/2020 22:20 UTC	WEST AFRICA Around 150NM South of Cotonou, Benin Benin 03° 49.30' N 002° 25.00' E	Armed pirates attacked and boarded a general cargo ship that was drifting and awaiting operational instructions. When the AB came on the bridge to start his watch duty, he found there was no one on the bridge. The chief officer later found five crew comprising master, chief engineer, 3rd officer, electrical engineer and chief cook missing. The perpetrators also stole ship's properties, cash and crew personal belongings before escaping in a small boat. Authorities informed, crew mustered and a search was carried out onboard the ship. The remaining 15 crew are reported safe. On 04.08.2020 the owners confirmed the 5 kidnapped crew members were released on 31.07.2020.	Five crew comprising master, chief engineer, 3rd officer, electrical engineer and chief cook kidnapped. Ship's properties, cash and personal belongings were stolen.	Crew mustered and a search was carried out.	Yes IMB, MDAT GoG, Security Company and Flag State. The company is working with the local authorities to find the missing crew.	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	The security company is working with the local authorities to find the missing crew.
3	Curacao Trader Product tanker Liberia 7687 9340908	17/07/2020 10:00 UTC	WEST AFRICA Around 196nm SW of Bayelsa, Nigeria Nigeria 02° 57.00' N 002° 46.00' E	Eight pirates armed with machine guns boarded a product tanker underway. They held hostage all crew members, stole documents and valuable items and kidnapped 13 crew members before escaping. The tanker was left drifting with limited and unqualified crew onboard. A nearby merchant vessel rendered assistance which allowed the tanker to be sailed to a safe port. Regional authorities notified.	13 crew members were kidnapped. Documents and valuable items were stolen	N/A	Yes PRC relayed the message to MRCC Lagos / Nimasa & Nigerian Navy HQ, Benin Navy, Togo Navy & Ghana Navy	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Nigerian Navy investigating the incident, in search for the abducted crewmembers

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On 02.09.2020, the Owners confirmed that the 13 kidnapped crew members were released safely on 19.08.2020.

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	Frio Olympic Refrigerated cargo carrier Panama 8487 8801802	01/07/2020 16:40 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 5.8 nm NW of Tanjung Pergam, Pulau Bintan, Indonesia in the eastbound lane of the TSS Singapore 01° 16.87' N 104° 19.10' E	While the reefer vessel was en route to Dalian, China, four robbers armed with knives were sighted on deck. The master raised the alarm. All crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the perpetrators immediately escaped. The crew conducted a search on board and discovered that four boxes of spare parts were stolen. There was no confrontation with the crew. The incident was reported to Singapore Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS). The ship confirmed no assistance was required and resumed her voyage. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF), Singapore Police Coast Guard and the Indonesian authorities were notified.	There was no confrontation with the crew. Four boxes of spare parts were stolen.	The master raised the alarm and the crew conducted a search on board.	Yes Yes, Singapore Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard and the Indonesian authorities were notified.
2	BS Ayres Tug Singapore 299 9740287	26/07/2020 08:37 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 4.4 nm from Tanjung Piai, Johor, Malaysia Malaysia 01° 11.50' N 103° 32.30' E	While the tug boat towing the flat top deck cargo barge was en route to Singapore, two unknown crafts with three perpetrators on each craft were sighted approaching the barge. Two perpetrators boarded the barge. They left the barge after 20 minutes, and the two crafts left the location of the incident and were seen heading in a southWESTern direction. The tug boat and barge resumed its voyage to Singapore. Some batteries were reported stolen from the barge. The crew was safe and no assistance was required. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated after the incident. The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF), Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities were notified.	The crew was safe. Some batteries were reported stolen from the barge.	Alarm raised.	Yes Singapore Police Coast Guard and Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A safety navigational broadcast was initiated after the incident. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities were notified. Coast guard boarded the barge for investigation.
3	Taizhou Pioneer Bulk carrier Malta 20954 9619892	29/07/2020 03:10 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Around 6nm NW of Port Au Prince, Haiti Haiti 18° 35.90' N 072° 27.20' W	Duty AB on routine rounds onboard the ship drifting while waiting for orders was confronted and taken hostage by two armed robbers. They stole the AB personnel properties and two mooring ropes before escaping in a waiting boat. Alarm raised and crew mustered.	Duty AB was taken hostage. The AB's personnel properties and two mooring ropes were stolen	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes PRC relayed the message to MRCC Port Au Prince, Haiti	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	N/A

IN PORT AREA

1	MWV Falcon Supply ship Singapore 5312 9779290	16/07/2020 20:15 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Jetty No NRW-3, Kakinada, India India 16° 58.70' N 082° 16.75' E	While at anchor, the duty Aabled Bodied (AB) sighted one perpetrator was opening the generator door and trying to steal generator equipment using a spanner. The perpetrator was also armed with a knife. The AB immediately reported the incident to the bridge. The perpetrator fled by jumping into the	The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen.	A search on board the ship was carried out.	Yes Kakinada Port control	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	N/A
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water after his presence was discovered. A search on board the ship was carried out and the crew found one fire hose box was opened. Nothing was stolen. The crew was not injured. It was assessed the perpetrator had climbed on the jetty fender from under the quay side bridge to enter the ship which was a blind spot on the main deck of ship. The Kakinada Port control was informed.

2 Newark Container ship Liberia 35573 9322504	20/07/2020 03:40 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Vicinity waters of Manila Bay Quarantine Anchorage Area South Harbour, Manila, Philippines Philippines 14° 32.66' N 120° 55.15' E	While conducting roving at the forecandle of the ship, the crew noticed that the padlocks of the bosun store and paint store were broken. Paints and ship stores were missing. The incident was immediately reported to VTMS Manila. The crew was not injured. The Philippine Coast Guard's ship, BRP Tubbataha immediately proceeded to the location of the ship and conducted survey of the area but no suspicious motor bancas were sighted	The crew was not injured. Items missing were paints, welding machines, electrical drills, jigsaw, electrical angle grinders, immersion suits, face shield, cylinder breathing apparatuses, helmet, self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical suit.	The incident was immediately reported to VTMS Manila.	Yes The incident was immediately reported to VTMS Manila.	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines)	The Philippine Coast Guard's ship, BRP Tubbataha immediately proceeded to the location of the ship and conducted survey of the area but no suspicious motor bancas were sighted.
3 Modigliani Bulk carrier Liberia 44980 9615406	28/07/2020 10:00 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (A) Macapa Anchorage No. 2, Brazil Brazil 00° 02.36' N 050° 59.08' W	Unnoticed, robbers boarded an anchored ship. Duty AB on security rounds noticed the forecandle and paint store doors opened and raised the alarm. Upon investigation, ship's stores reported stolen. Incident reported to Port Control.	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur relayed the message to MRCC Brazil	N/A

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1 Global Phenix LPG tanker Panama 5917 9552719	08/07/2020 14:04 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Around 23nm SE off Natuna Island, Indonesia Indonesia 03° 27.50' N 108° 40.90' E	Around five persons in a boat attempted to come alongside and board a tanker underway. Seeing the approaching boat the vessel made evasive manoeuvres and directed the Aldis lights towards the boat resulting in the persons aborting and moving away.	The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen.	The ship conducted evasive manoeuvring and directed the Aldis lights towards the boat.	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur relayed message to Indonesian Marine Police ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point	N/A
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