

Piracy monthly report October 2020
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
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	Ganj Bulk carrier Iran (Islamic Republic of) 40166 9305219	11/10/2020 00:26 LT	NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN Singapore 01° 16.42' N 104° 13.92' E	While underway and en route to Fang Cheng, China, the master was alerted by his crew who sighted three perpetrators at the stern of the ship. The alarm was raised and the perpetrators escaped upon being sighted. There was no confrontation between the perpetrators and crew. A search was conducted on board the ship with no sighting of the perpetrators. Nothing was stolen. The master reported the incident to Singapore Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS) and continued her voyage with no assistance required.	There was no confrontation between the perpetrators and crew. Nothing was stolen.	A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard and the Indonesian authorities were notified.	Yes Singapore VTIS	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	FSL New York Chemical tanker Singapore 11587 9340453	13/10/2020 23:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Singapore Strait Singapore 01° 16.54' N 104° 15.06' E	While underway, three perpetrators were sighted in the engine room of the ship. The crew was alerted and a search was conducted on board the ship, with no sighting of the perpetrators. The master reported the incident to Singapore Port Operations Control Centre (POCC) and concluded that the perpetrators had escaped undetected. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen. The Malaysian and Indonesian authorities were notified. [Category 4]	The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen.	A search was conducted on board the ship.	Yes Singapore VTIS East and Singapore POCC	United States ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	The Malaysian and Indonesian authorities were notified.
3	Ian M Bulk carrier Liberia 93916 9434773	14/10/2020 00:40 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Singapore Strait Singapore 01° 17.40' N 104° 20.00' E	While underway and en route to Ruizhou, China, three perpetrators were sighted in the engine room. The alarm was raised. The crew conducted a search on board the ship, with no further sighting of the three perpetrators on board. There was no confrontation between the perpetrators and crew. A lifebuoy and some welding rods were stolen. The master reported the incident to Singapore Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS) and confirmed that no assistance was required. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF), Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Malaysian and Indonesian	There was no confrontation between the perpetrators and crew. A lifebuoy and some welding rods were stolen.	The alarm was raised and a search was conducted on board the ship.	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Malaysian and Indonesian authorities were notified.

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authorities were notified.

4 Lloyd Don Giovanni Container ship Liberia 91649 9305506	17/10/2020 06:30 UTC	Callao Anchorage Peru	Duty officer onboard the container ship noticed a suspicious light near the forward store and asked the duty watchman to investigate. As the duty watchman approached he was taken hostage and tied up by the robbers who stole his personal belongings. The robbers released the duty watchman before escaping. Duty officer and Master informed. Alarm raised and a search was carried out. Incident reported to the port authorities and local agent.	One crew taken hostage and personel belongings stolen	Alarm raised and a search was carried out	Yes Port Authority	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	NA
5 PTI Nile Tanker Hong Kong, China 29557 9747338	17/10/2020 17:10 LT	WEST AFRICA Off Togo Togo 04° 14.00' N 001° 24.00' W	While underway, perpetrators armed with guns approached the ship in more than two speed boats. The ship engaged in zig zag movement to delay boarding while all 21 crew locked themselves in the citadel. The incident was reported to the Togo Navy, who deployed a military operation boat that arrived at the location on 18 Oct at about 0800 hrs. With the arrival of Togo Navy, all crew came out of the citadel unhurt. The ship walkie talkie, a laptop and a mobile phone were stolen.	The crew was not injured. The ship walkie talkie, a laptop and a mobile phone were stolen.	The ship engaged in zig zag movement to delay boarding while all 21 crew locked themselves in the citadel.	Yes Togo Navy.	Togo Navy. Also reported to Hong Kong Marine Department, HK MRCC and Beijing MRCC	The Togo Navy deployed a military operation boat to the location of the incident
6 A Racer Bulk carrier Liberia 16041 9086318	25/10/2020 17:00 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT Indonesia in the eastbound lane of the TSS in the Singapore Strait (SOMS) Indonesia 01° 14.08' N 104° 07.50' E	While underway and en route to China, the bulk carrier was alerted by VTIS East about an unknown craft alongside the bulk carrier. The master reported that five unauthorized perpetrators were sighted on board the ship. The alarm was raised and a search was carried out on board, but with no sighting of the perpetrators. The crew was safe and nothing was stolen. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Indonesian authorities were notified. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated.	The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen.	Alarm raised, deck lights switched on, crew mustered and ship's whistle sounded	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) PRC relayed the message to Singapore Police Coast Guard	The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Indonesian authorities were notified. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated.
7 Seajourney Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 43152 9392456	25/10/2020 23:09 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT Pulau Batam, Indonesia in the eastbound lane of the TSS in the Singapore Strait (SOMS) Indonesia 01° 15.03' N 104° 06.15' E	While underway and en route to Ciwadan, Indonesia, the master reported to VTIS East that one unauthorized perpetrator was sighted in the vicinity of the entrance of the engine room. The alarm was raised and the master carried out a search on board the ship, but with no sighting of the perpetrator. The crew was safe, and nothing was stolen. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Indonesian authorities were notified. A safety	The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen	The alarm was raised and the master carried out a search on board the ship.	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Indonesian authorities were notified. A safety navigational

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8	El Matador Bulk carrier Cyprus 36394 9750048	26/10/2020 01:30 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT Eastbound lane of the TSS in the Singapore Strait Indonesia 01° 14.60' N 104° 07.58' E	While underway, the bulk carrier was alerted by VTIS East about an unknown craft alongside the bulk carrier. The master reported the sighting of three perpetrators in the engine room. The alarm was raised and four perpetrators were seen escaping from the ship. As the master was not sure if all the perpetrators had left the ship, he diverted the ship to Pulau Batam anchorage for boarding by the Indonesian Navy. A security search was conducted on board the ship by the Indonesian Navy, with no further sighting of the perpetrators. The crew was safe, nothing was stolen and the ship resumed its voyage. The Republic of Singapore Navy's (RSN) Maritime Security Task Force (MSTF), Singapore Police. Coast Guard and the Indonesian authorities were notified. A safety navigational broadcast was initiated.	4th Engineer encountered three robbers armed with long knives. One of the robber chased the 4th Engineer	The alarm was raised. As the master was not sure if all the perpetrators had left the ship, he diverted the ship to Batam anchorage for boarding by the Indonesian Navy.	Yes Singapore VTIS	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	A security search was conducted on board the ship by the Indonesian Navy
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9	Hanyang Bulk carrier Singapore 24785 9714226	30/10/2020 08:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Saigon River, Ho Chi Minh City Viet Nam 10° 45.50' N 106° 43.70' E	While underway, the bosun discovered that the padlock of the masthouse No. 1 was broken. Upon investigation, some spares for ship anchor were missing from the masthouse. No perpetrators were found and the crew was not injured. The ship's Company Security Officer (CSO) was informed.	The crew was not injured. Padlock of the masthouse No. 1 was broken. Some spares for ship anchor were stolen.	The ship's CSO was informed.	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	The ship's CSO was informed.
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	Arsos Container ship Cyprus 15375 9395123	02/10/2020 03:24 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) River Passage, Guayaquil, Ecuador Ecuador 02° 33.59' S 080° 06.30' W	A ship under pilotage was approached and boarded by robbers armed with guns. Crew noticed the robbers opening the containers on deck. Alarm raised and all crew instructed to stay inside the accommodation. The robbers fired their weapons towards the accommodation area, and escaped with cargo stolen from the containers.	The robbers fired their weapons towards the accommodation area, and escaped with cargo stolen from the containers	Alarm raised, crew alerted and a search was made throughout the ship	Yes Port Authority. PRC relayed the message to Ecuador Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	N/A
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IN PORT AREA

1	Nord Steady Product tanker Singapore 29983 9629706	01/10/2020 03:42 UTC	WEST AFRICA BMC Pier, Monrovia, Liberia Liberia 06° 21.04' N 010° 47.47' W	Duty AB on routine rounds onboard the berthed tanker noticed one unauthorised person on the forecandle and immediately informed the Duty Officer. Alarm raised and local security guard alerted. Seeing the crew alertness, the robber escape with ship's stores. A search was made throughout the tanker. Incident reported to Port	Ship's stores was stolen	Alarm raised, crew alerted and a search was made throughout the ship	Yes Yes. Port Authority and Coast Guard. PRC relayed the message to MRCC Monrovia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	N/A
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Authority and Coast Guard.

2	Name withheld Supply ship Singapore 2218	04/10/2020 00:04 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Kakinada OPL Anchorage, India 17° 04.98' N 082° 24.77' E	While at anchor, the duty officer saw a perpetrator standing at port forward. The duty officer sounded the ship horn and made an announcement on the PA system. The perpetrator then jumped off the ship into the water. The crew observed that the perpetrator, together with two other perpetrators, were retrieving a mooring rope and then escaped in a small unlit boat. A search on board the ship was conducted and one mooring rope was reported missing. The crew was not injured.	The crew was not injured. A mooring rope was stolen.	The duty officer sounded the ship horn and made an announcement on the PA system. A search on board the ship was also conducted.	No	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) and ReCAAP Focal Point (India)	An Indian Coast Guard ship carried out an investigation into the incident.
3	Wuchow Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 24785 9657856	05/10/2020 09:30 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage, Peru 12° 59.00' S 077° 13.26' W	Chief Officer onboard an anchored ship noticed movement on the forecastle deck and instructed the bosun to check. As the bosun moved forward, he noticed armed robbers, who threatened him with a gun and knife. The bosun retreated immediately and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped. Incident reported to port control. On investigating, it was noticed that the robbers had boarded using a rope attached to a hook. Ship's stores reported stolen.	One crew threatened with a gun and knife. Ship's stores reported stolen.	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Tramar Port Control	Peru ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	NA
4	Lyme Bay Container ship Liberia 40855 9631113	06/10/2020 07:00 UTC	WEST AFRICA Pointe Noire North Anchorage, The Republic of Congo Congo 04° 44.00' S 011° 46.00' E	Unnoticed, robbers boarded the anchored container ship, stole ship's stores and escaped. Incident reported to Port Control.	Ship's stores was stolen	N/A	Yes Port Control. PRC relayed the message to Congo's Ministry of Transport	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Patrol boats were dispatched to the location
5	SSI Privilege Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 36353 9848089	08/10/2020 06:20 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (A) Macapa Anchorage, Brazil 00° 00.88' N 051° 00.04' W	Three persons in a small fishing boat came alongside an anchored ship. Two of the robbers boarded and broke into the forecastle store. Alert OOW noticed the unauthorised persons on the forecastle and raised the alarm and sounded the ship's horn. Crew mustered. Seeing crew alertness, the robbers escaped without stealing anything.	Nil	Raised the alarm, sounded the ship's horn and crew mustered	Yes Macapa Port Control. PRC relayed the message to MRCC Brazil	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	N/A
6	Basat Product tanker Malta 7260 9447029	09/10/2020 02:45 UTC	WEST AFRICA Apapa Bulk Terminal Ltd. (ABTL), Lagos Port, Nigeria 06° 26.70' N 003° 22.80' E	During heavy rain, armed robbers in two boats approached and boarded the berthed tanker engaged in cargo operations. Deck crew noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. The discharging operations were suspended, all access doors were locked, and crew mustered in the citadel. Port Control informed through VHF CH12. Hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped. A Nigerian Navy Officer boarded the tanker for investigation. Nothing reported stolen.	Nil	Alarm raised, all access doors were locked, and crew mustered in the citadel	Yes Port Control. PRC relayed the message to Nigerian Navy HQ (Ops room) & Nimasa	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A Nigerian Navy Officer boarded the tanker for investigation
7	Methane Princess LPG tanker Marshall Islands	17/10/2020 05:34 LT	WEST AFRICA Punta Europa, Equatorial Guinea 03° 46.96' N 008° 41.88' E	Five persons armed with rifles boarded the berthed tanker. Crew mustered in the citadel. One crew reported kidnapped. Local authorities	1 crew kidnapped	Crew mustered in the citadel	Yes Port Authority	PRC relayed the message to Equatorial Guinea Navy	Terminal security guard boarded the

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notified. Remaining crew reported safe. On 20.12.2020, the Owners confirmed that the one kidnapped crew member was released safely on 11.11.2020.

vessel and a search was carried out

8	Maersk Rubicon Container ship Singapore 51032 9632480	19/10/2020 02:07 UTC	WEST AFRICA Pointe Noire Anchorage Congo 04° 46.50' S 011° 45.55' E	While at anchor, the duty officer saw a perpetrator boarding the ship at forecastle. The duty officer sounded the alarm and mustered the crew. The Port Control was notified via VHF Ch. 16 and the ship's Company Security Officer (CSO) was informed. A Coast Guard patrol boat was deployed to investigate and confirmed that there were no signs of any perpetrators on board or nearby the ship. A search on board the ship was conducted and two mooring ropes were found missing. The crew was not injured.	The crew was not injured. Two mooring ropes were stolen.	The duty officer sounded the alarm and mustered the crew. A search on board the ship was conducted.	Yes Port Control informed	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	A Coast Guard patrol boat was deployed to investigate.
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9	S G Friendship Chemical tanker Panama 11594 9288576	28/10/2020 04:05 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT Dumai anchorage Indonesia 01° 42.50' N 101° 28.20' E	Duty AB on routine rounds onboard an anchored tanker noticed wet footsteps on the poop deck and saw an unauthorised person escaping. Duty officer notified. The duty AB reported that the person had gained access to the tanker via a bamboo pole and that there were an additional three persons waiting in a boat. The incident was reported to local agent.	The crew was not injured. Nothing was stolen.	The duty AB alerted the other crew immediately via walkie-talkie. The duty officer sounded the alarm and the crew was mustered. A thorough search was conducted on board the ship.	Yes Local police through agents	PRC relayed the message to Indonesia Marine Police ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)	NA
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While at anchor, a perpetrator boarded the ship via the midpoint on the stern of the ship from a wooden motor boat with one OBM. The duty AB, while on his rounds noticed some wet steps on the poop deck and conducted a search. During his search, the perpetrator came out from his hiding place and escaped in the wooden boat with four other perpetrators waiting in the boat. The duty AB alerted the other crew immediately via walkie-talkie. The duty officer sounded the alarm and the crew was mustered. A thorough search was conducted on board the ship. Nothing was stolen and the crew was not injured. The incident was reported to the local police through the agents.

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IN PORT AREA

<p>1 Name withheld Product tanker Singapore 29991</p>	<p>15/10/2020 04:36 UTC</p>	<p>WEST AFRICA Conakry Anchorage, Guinea Guinea 09° 16.15' N 013° 46.51' W</p>	<p>Duty OOW onboard an anchored tanker noticed a Nil boat with four persons armed with guns approaching. Onboard armed military team notified. As the boat approached the tanker, the armed team fired warning shots resulting in the boat moving away. Incident reported to Port Authorities.</p>	<p>Crew alerted</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>PRC relayed the message to Guinea MRCC and Guinea MOC</p>	<p>NA</p>
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