

Piracy monthly report September 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	Name Withheld Refrigerated cargo carrier Liberia 7303	08/09/2020 05:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA Around 33nm SSW of Lagos, Nigeria Nigeria 05° 53.00' N 003° 17.00' E	A refrigerated cargo ship was attacked by armed pirates while underway. The pirates kidnapped two crew. The remaining crew managed to retreat into the citadel. Nigerian navy patrol vessels were deployed to the location to assist. The navy boarded the ship, conducted a search and escorted the ship to a safe anchorage. Remaining crew reported safe.	Two crew kidnapped	Raised alarm and the remaining crew retreated into the citadel	Yes MDAT-GoG. PRC relayed message to Nigeria Navy HQ & Nimasa	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Nigerian navy patrol vessels were deployed to the location to assist. The navy boarded the vessel, conducted a search and escorted the vessel to a safe anchorage
2	CHAMPION PRINCE Product tanker Singapore 59024 9488011	29/09/2020 16:00 UTC	MALACCA STRAIT Around 22nm NE of Tg. Berakit, Pulau Bintan, Indonesia Indonesia 01° 31.10' N 104° 49.00' E	Unauthorized persons boarded an anchored tanker, broke into the aft store, stole ship's spares and escaped. The break-in was noticed by crew during routine rounds. A search was carried out. Incident was reported to Port Authority and local agent.	Ship's spares was stolen	A search was made throughout the ship	Yes Port Authority and local agent. PRC relayed the message to Indonesian Marine Police HQ	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) and ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan)	N/A

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	Uni Blossom Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 23303 9816567	23/09/2020 00:01 LT	MALACCA STRAIT Approx 3.5 nm NE of Pulau Nongsa, Indonesia in the eastbound lane of the TSS (SOMS) Indonesia 01° 15.40' N 104° 05.50' E	The Chief Engineer discovered some engine spare parts were stolen when he was conducting his round in the engine room at about 0200 hrs on 23 Sep. No perpetrator was sighted. The master could not determine when the actual boarding took place. As the engine room was manned till 0001 hrs on 23 Sep, the incident was assessed to have occurred between 0001 hrs and 0200 hrs. The crew was safe. The master reported the incident via email to Singapore Port Operations Control Centre (POCC) on 25 Sep. 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. The ship was en-route to China.	The crew was safe. Two fuel injectors and some valves spares were stolen.	A search was made throughout the ship. Crew were tasked to take inventory on the rest of the spares on board the ship.	Yes Singapore Authorities. PRC relayed message to MMEA Putrajaya, FOC RMN (Ops) and Royal Malaysia Police	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore) ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A safety navigational broadcast was initiated. The RSN's MSTF, Singapore Police Coast Guard, and the Indonesian authorities were notified.
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2 RHL Agilitas Liberia 18480 9373486	26/09/2020 03:26 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) River Passage, Guayaquil, Ecuador Ecuador 02° 26.00' S 080° 02.00' W	Robbers armed with guns approached and boarded the ship under pilotage. Master raised the alarm, activated the SSAS and crew mustered. Despite the continuous alarm and search lights, the robbers stole cargo from the containers and escaped. Incident reported to local Authorities, who later boarded the ship for investigation. Two containers were found open. Ship and crew reported safe.	Some cargo stolen from two containers	Alarm raised, SSAS activated and crew mustered	Yes Local authorities. PRC relayed the message to Ecuador Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Authorities boarded the ship for investigation
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IN PORT AREA

1 AAL Nanjing General cargo ship Liberia 14053 9521552	03/09/2020 19:35 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Manila OPL Anchorage, Philippines Philippines 14° 31.87' N 120° 50.59' E	While at anchor, the crew noticed that the forecandle light was opened. The crew conducted inventory check and discovered that some of their equipment including chainsaws, ship bell, welding machine and breathing apparatus were missing. The incident was reported to VTMS Manila and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG). The crew was not injured.	Ship's stores and properties were stolen, including chainsaws, ship bell, welding machine and breathing apparatus.	A search was made throughout the ship	Yes Port Authority. PRC relayed message to Coast Guard Philippines	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines)	The PCG monitors and coordinates with the relevant agencies for identification of the perpetrators.
2 Ela Liberia 18358 9516777	05/09/2020 02:20 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Manila Anchorage, Philippines Philippines 14° 35.66' N 120° 52.15' E	While at anchor, the crew reported to the bridge that he spotted a perpetrator at forward bow behind the life craft. The crew proceeded to check the area and noticed that the perpetrator wore a mask and was holding a knife. The alarm was raised immediately and a search for the perpetrator was conducted. Unfortunately, the person already left the ship. Two breathing apparatuses and a gong were stolen. The incident was reported to VTMS Manila and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG). The PCG proceeded to the location of the ship and conducted inquiry into the incident. The crew was not injured.	The crew was not injured. Two breathing apparatuses and a gong were stolen.	The alarm was raised immediately and a search for the perpetrator was conducted.	Yes VTMS Manila and Philippine Coast Guard	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines) IMB ICC PRC	The PCG proceeded to the location of the ship and conducted inquiry into the incident.
3 Arguello Container ship Liberia 40839 9409027	06/09/2020 04:33 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA South Harbour Anchorage Area, Manila, Philippines Philippines 14° 33.41' N 120° 52.35' E	While at anchor waiting for crew change, the crew noticed that the lock of the bosun store was broken. The general alarm was raised immediately. Ship stores including fire nozzles, fireman suits, breathing apparatuses, unlocking twist lock, a flashlight and a scaling machine were stolen. The incident was reported to VTMS Manila and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG). The crew was not injured.	The crew was not injured. The lock of the bosun store was broken. Ship stores including fire nozzles, fireman suits, breathing apparatuses, unlocking twist lock, a flashlight and a scaling machine were stolen.	The general alarm was raised immediately.	Yes VTMS Manila and Philippine Coast Guard	ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Philippines)	There was a delay of reporting of the incident to VTMS Manila. The PCG monitors and coordinates with the relevant agencies for identification of the perpetrators.
4 RHL Audacia Container ship Liberia 18480 9357846	09/09/2020 05:54 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage, Peru Peru 12° 01.49' S 077° 12.65' W	Duty AB on routine rounds onboard an anchored ship noticed a robber on the forecandle deck. Seeing the duty AB, the robber armed with a machete shouted and ran towards the AB resulting in the AB immediately retreating into the accommodation. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness,	The robber armed with a machete shouted and ran towards the AB	Raised alarm and crew mustered	Yes Tramar VTS. PRC relayed the message to MRCC Peru	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A patrol boat was dispatched to check and search the anchorage area

the robber escaped without stealing anything. VTS notified and a patrol boat was dispatched to check and search the anchorage area.

<p>5 Nord Neptune Bulk carrier Denmark 38892 9310537</p>	<p>20/09/2020 04:10 UTC</p>	<p>SOUTH AMERICA (A) Macapa Anchorage, Brazil 00° 01.39' N 051° 00.08' W</p>	<p>Duty AB onboard an anchored ship noticed some suspicious activity near the forepeak store and proceeded to investigate. As he approached the store, he noticed two robbers armed with knives. He immediately informed the D/O and retreated into the accommodation. Alarm raised, ship's horn sounded, crew mustered, and searchlights directed towards the forepeak. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped in a white hull boat. A search was carried out and ship's properties were reported stolen. Pilot Station informed.</p>	<p>Ship's properties stolen</p>	<p>Alarm raised, ship's horn sounded, crew mustered and searchlights directed</p>	<p>Yes Pilot Station, local authorities, and agents. PRC relayed Message to MRCC Brazil</p>	<p>ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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