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REPORTS ON ACTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS

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1 In pursuance of the Maritime Safety Committee's instruction to the Secretariat to issue monthly reports of all incidents of piracy¹ and armed robbery against ships² reported to the Organization and, in addition, to issue, on a quarterly basis, composite reports accompanied by an analysis, on a regional basis, of the situation and an indication whether the frequency of incidents is increasing or decreasing and advising of any new feature or pattern of significance, the annex hereto provides, in the tabulated format agreed by the Committee, the summary of reports on incidents received between 30 September 2008 and 31 October 2008, including a distinction between acts of piracy and acts of armed robbery against ships (annex 1) and attempted attacks (annex 2). Further and as instructed by the Committee (MSC 75/24, paragraph 18.41), the Secretariat has, since July 2002, started classifying separately any reported incidents of piracy and armed robbery **at sea** (international or territorial waters) *vis-à-vis* acts of armed robbery allegedly committed **in port areas**, as well as **attempted** acts of armed robbery.

2 The total number of acts of piracy and armed robbery against ships so far reported to the Organization is 4,757, an increase of 27 since 30 September 2008.

¹ "Piracy" is defined in the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) (article 101) as follows:

"Piracy consists of any of the following acts:

- (a) any illegal acts of violence or detention, or any act of depredation, committed for private ends by the crew or the passengers of a private ship or a private aircraft, and directed:
 - (i) on the high seas, against another ship or aircraft, or against persons or property on board such ship or aircraft;
 - (ii) against a ship, aircraft, persons or property in a place outside the jurisdiction of any State;
- (b) any act of voluntary participation in the operation of a ship or of an aircraft with knowledge of facts making it a pirate ship or aircraft;
- (c) any act inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described in sub-paragraph (a) or (b)."

² "Armed robbery against ships" is defined in the Code of Practice for the Investigation of the Crimes of Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships (resolution A.922(22), Annex, paragraph 2.2), as follows:

"Armed robbery against ships means any unlawful act of violence or detention or any act of depredation, or threat thereof, other than an act of "piracy", directed against a ship or against persons or property on board such ship, within a State's jurisdiction over such offences."

3 Previous incidents reported to the Organization since the fifty-ninth session of the Committee have been circulated by various MSC circulars, those issued (on an annual, quarterly and monthly basis) during the previous twelve months and up to September 2008 being MSC.4/Circ.111, MSC.4/Circ.112, MSC.4/Circ.113, MSC.4/Circ.114, MSC.4/Circ.115, MSC.4/Circ.116, MSC.4/Circ.117, MSC.4/Circ.118, MSC.4/Circ.119, MSC.4/Circ.120, MSC.4/Circ.121, MSC.4/Circ.122, MSC.4/Circ.124, MSC.4/Circ.125 and MSC.4/Circ.126.

ANNEX 1
Acts of piracy and armed robbery allegedly committed against ships reported by
Member States or international organizations in consultative status

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	SUN GERANIUM Tanker Panama 4976 9012173	02/10/2008 02:20 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA of Mangkai Island, Indonesia 03° 11.50' N 105° 22.23' E	Eight pirates armed with guns and knives boarded the tanker underway. Pirates took Second mate and a duty A/B hostage and took Second mate to captain's cabin. They held a knife to the captain's throat and stole ship's cash and escaped. Master was kicked in his chest	Pirates stole ship's and personal cash and properties. Master was assaulted	-	Yes PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, Puskodal, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & SAR Jakarta	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	DIAMOND CORAL Tanker Panama 3419 9392884	03/10/2008 02:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA 5 NM of Mangkai Island, Indonesia 03° 05.05' N 105° 31.00' E	Six pirates armed with long knives boarded the tanker under way. They stole ship's and crew cash and personal belongings before escaping	Pirates stole ship's and crew cash and crew personal belongings	-	Yes PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, Puskodal, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & SAR Jakarta	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	SIN HUAT General cargo ship Malaysia 1539 8217477	04/10/2008 00:50 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Singapore Straits 01° 12.30' N 103° 54.02' E	Four pirates armed with long knives boarded the ship underway, while one pirate remained on standby in the wooden boat. They gained access to the bridge, tied the hands of one A/B to the steering wheel and threatened the second A/B to take them to the Master's cabin. They damaged the ship's internal and external communication equipment. Pirates stole ship's cash, crew properties and escaped. No injuries to crew	Pirates stole ship's cash and personal properties. Ship's internal and external communication equipment damaged	Standby fire hoses	Yes PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, Indonesian Marine Police HQ, SAR Jakarta & Singapore Police Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	WAEH General cargo ship Panama 1975 7425273	09/10/2008 17:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 14° 04.52' N 050° 52.24' E	Armed pirates in speedboats boarded and hijacked the ship underway. They sailed it to an undisclosed location in Somalia. Eleven crewmembers were taken hostage. The ship was en route from Salalah to Bossaso, Somalia, when it was hijacked	Pirates took hostage 11 crewmembers and hijacked the ship	-	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIRC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

5	ACTION Chemical tanker Panama 5280 8210261	10/10/2008 13:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 06.16' N 047° 13.43' E	Pirates attacked and hijacked the ship under way. Further details awaited	Ship hijacked	Alarm raised	Yes Coalition forces and PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A helicopter arrived at the location but by then the ship was already hijacked
6	SHRI SHIV SHAMBOO Yacht India 383	14/10/2008 14:00 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 59.42' N 048° 29.72' E	Nine armed pirates in two speedboats attacked and hijacked the dhow under way, en route from India to Berbera, Somalia. Pirates sailed the dhow to an undisclosed location in Somalia. Thirteen crewmembers were taken hostage. The dhow was released on 23.10.2008. It is unknown if a ransom was paid	Pirates took hostage 13 crewmembers and hijacked the dhow	Alarm raised	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
7	AFRICAN SANDERLING Bulk carrier Panama 32379 9403059	15/10/2008 04:09 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 33.92' N 050° 10.70' E	Armed pirates in speedboats boarded and hijacked the ship under way along with its 21 crew. The pirates are sailing the ship to an undisclosed location in Somalia. The ship was en route from Aqaba, Jordan to a port in China.	Pirates took hostage 21 crewmembers and hijacked the ship	-	Yes Coalition forces. PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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8	YASA NESLIHAN Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 42895 9286566	29/10/2008 10:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 00.15' N 046° 40.73' E	Pirates armed with automatic weapons in two speedboats fired upon the ship under way. The pirates successfully boarded and hijacked the ship. They took 20 crewmembers hostage and sailed the ship to an undisclosed location in Somalia. The ship was carrying a cargo of iron ore pallets from Pointe Noire, Canada, to Rizhao, China, when it was hijacked	Pirates took 20 crewmembers hostage and hijacked the ship	Alarm raised	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	IVAN PRIBYLSKIY Refrigerated cargo carrier Panama 6670 8628157	02/10/2008 12:15 UTC	WEST AFRICA 20 NM South of Bonny Signal Station, Bonny River, Nigeria 03° 59.17' N 006° 45.23' E	About ten robbers armed with submachine guns and hand grenades boarded the ship drifting. Ship contacted authorities and enforced preventive measures. Robbers escaped in their speedboat	-	Ship contacted authorities and enforced preventive measures	Yes Bonny signal station. PRC relayed message to Nigerian High Commission, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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IN PORT AREA

1	APL CHIWAN Container ship Panama 59622 9087946	08/10/2008	SOUTH CHINA SEA 2.7NM south of Teluk Ramunia, Johor Malaysia 01° 18.90' N 104° 15.00' E	Robbers boarded the ship at anchor. They stole engine spares and escaped unnoticed	Robbers stole engine spares	Alarm raised	Yes MRCC Putrajaya and PRC relayed message to MRCC Putrajaya & MPA Singapore – POCC 1	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	SUMIRE Container ship Panama 14089 9153070	13/10/2008 06:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Vung Tau Anchorage, Viet Nam 10° 14.60' N 107° 26.30' E	Robbers boarded an anchored ship unnoticed by crew. They stole ship's stores and escaped. Crew on routine patrol noticed bosun store padlock was broken and ship's store stolen. Authorities informed	Bosun store padlock was broken and ship's store stolen	-	Yes Vung Tau port control. PRC relayed message to Vietnam Maritime Security Information Centre	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	AQUAMARINE I Chemical tanker Panama 25457 8313374	21/10/2008 03:30 LT	WEST AFRICA Tema anchorage Ghana 05° 34.40' N 000° 04.00' E	Robbers boarded the ship at anchor, broke open forecastle locker, stole ship's stores and escaped. Authorities informed	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised	Yes Port authorities and PRC relayed message to Ghana High Commission, United Kingdom	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN PORT AREA

4	DYNAMIC INSTALLER Supply ship Bahamas 3204 8224494	25/10/2008 01:30 LT	WEST AFRICA Doula Port Cameroon	Robbers boarded the vessel berthed alongside several times. Alert shore security apprehended them. Nothing stolen	-	Alarm raised	Yes Port Control and PRC relayed message to Embassy of Cameroon, United Kingdom	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Alert shore security apprehended the robbers
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	VANCOUVER VICTORY Bulk carrier Panama 35592 8010843	01/10/2008 03:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 23.00' N 049° 09.00' E	About eight pirates armed with guns in two speed boats approached the ship under way on port bow and stbd bow with intentions to board. Master adopted evasive manoeuvres to prevent boarding. One boat approached on stbd bow and the pirates hooked a ladder in order to board. Ship's crew were able to remove it. Master contacted coalition warships on VHF Ch. 16 for assistance. The boats continued their attempts to board on both port and stbd bow. Master kept altering course to avoid the boats. A coalition navy helicopter arrived at location and after surveying the area informed the ship that there were no pirate's boats in the area. Ship continued her normal passage	-	Master adopted evasive manoeuvres to prevent boarding	Yes message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A coalition navy warship contacted and a helicopter arrived at the location
2	ATHENA 4 Tanker Panama 2191 9301639	01/10/2008 03:45	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 10.00' N 047° 43.00' E	Pirates armed with rocket-propelled grenades in speed boats attempted to board the tanker under way. Master took evasive manoeuvres and informed owners. A warship arrived at the scene and chased away the boats	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres. A coalition warship assisted the ship	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	FOUR SPRINGS Tanker Italy 52176 8900402	01/10/2008 05:23 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 13.59' N 047° 57.52' E	Pirates in speed boats attempted to board the tanker under way. Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres to avoid boarding. Attempt was aborted	-	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

4	EVER UNICORN Container ship Panama 69246 9196967	01/10/2008 14:35 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 42.47' N 049° 10.30' E	Four pirates armed with rifles attempted to board the ship under way. Master raised alarm and took evasive manoeuvres. The crew mustered and activated fire hoses. The pirates fired upon the ship and aborted their attack after ten minutes	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master raised alarm and took evasive manoeuvres. The crew mustered and activated fire hoses	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	TORONTO Vehicle carrier United Kingdom 61321 9302205	02/10/2008 07:45 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 07.40' N 048° 45.80' E	A suspected "pirate mother ship" approached the ship under way. When the range was about 3 NM, the mother vessel launched a speedboat. As the speed boat approached, ship's crew noticed two pirates armed with guns and then saw another three coming out of hiding with a portable ladder. Ship took anti-piracy measures and carried out evasive manoeuvres. The boarding was averted	-	Ship took anti-piracy measures and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warship and PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A coalition warship arrived at the location
6	OCEAN GRACE Chemical tanker Liberia 28010 8321395	04/10/2008 15:30 LT	WEST AFRICA 53NM offshore SW of Bonny River Nigeria 03° 36.00' N 006° 19.50' E	Pirates armed with guns in a wooden boat approached the ship under way. The ship increased speed and the boat kept following for two hours before aborting. Master informed authorities	-	The ship increased speed	Yes Port Harcourt and PRC relayed message to Nigerian High Commission, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
7	AS SALAAM General cargo ship Panama 9207 7616286	09/10/2008 13:30 LT	EAST AFRICA Somalia 02° 07.00' S 043° 09.00' E	Pirates in a speedboat attempted to board the ship under way. Master took anti-piracy measures and the pirates aborted the attempted attack	-	Master took anti-piracy measures	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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8	SOPHIA Bulk carrier Bahamas 32583 9330642	15/10/2008 09:00 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 15° 10.00' N 051° 45.00' E	Armed pirates in a speedboat chased the ship under way from astern. Master increased speed, made evasive manoeuvres to prevent boarding and contacted coalition warship on VHF Ch. 16. Later, the boat aborted the attempt. Coalition warship was monitoring the situation	-	-	Yes Coalition warship . PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
9	IRAN HORMOZ Tanker Iran, Islamic Republic of 160930 9212890	16/10/2008 17:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 44.00' N 045° 52.00' E	The ship, under way, noticed on radar the echo of three high-speed boats approaching. Master increased speed, commenced evasive manoeuvres and altered course to prevent the speedboats from getting closer. Master attempted to contact coalition warships via VHF Ch. 16, but failed to get any response. Later, a coalition warship responded and advised Master to take evasive manoeuvres. As the speedboats approached the ship, Master noticed one speedboat with three men armed with machine guns. The evasive manoeuvres of the ship prevented the boats from coming closer and later the speedboats aborted their attempt and disappeared	-	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
10	KOTA HENING Container ship Singapore 13497 9278909	23/10/2008 17:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA 180NM off Mombasa Kenya 03° 35.43' S 042° 49.95' E	Pirates in two speedboats chased and fired upon the ship under way. Master took evasive manoeuvres and increased speed. Speedboats aborted boarding. The ship sustained bullet damage	Ship sustained bullet damage	Raised alarm, increased speed and master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes MRCC Kenya, Kenyan Navy and PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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11	LEANDER Tanker Panama 159187 9179608	28/10/2008 08:00 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 26.00' N 048° 27.00' E	Pirates in three high-speed craft approached the ship under way. Master took evasive manoeuvres, transmitted mayday messages, sounded foghorn and mustered crew. Pirates fired upon the ship and attempted to board. Master maintained evasive manoeuvres and mayday messages. Pirates aborted the attempt after 10 minutes. Crew and ship safe	Pirates fired upon and attempted to board	Master raised alarm and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
12	AQUILO General cargo ship Cayman Islands (United Kingdom) 14188 7716220	28/10/2008 13:50 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 17.08' N 048° 35.43' E	Five pirates in a small fast speed boat approached the ship under way. Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses. Pirates fired upon the ship with automatic weapons and the crew took shelter. The pirates tried to board the ship using a ladder, but the pirate boat's skipper fell overboard and they aborted the boarding and rescued him. Master activated SSAS and contacted coalition warships. During a second approach to the ship, the pirate boat's engine failed. A coalition warship responded and advised the Master to steer a course towards them. The warship escorted the ship and later the ship resumed voyage. No damages and injuries to crew	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses and SSAS	Yes Coalition warships and PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A Coalition warship escorted the ship

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13	LEANDER Tanker Panama 159187 9179608	28/10/2008 15:00 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 54.00' N 046° 40.00' E	Twelve pirates in three fast attack boats were noticed departing from a white coloured fishing vessel (pirate mother vessel). Master took evasive manoeuvres, activated SSAS, sent mayday messages and crew mustered in a safe compartment. For five minutes, the pirates aggressively fired towards the accommodation and attempted to board. A coalition warship responded to the mayday messages and sent an aircraft to the scene. Master maintained the evasive manoeuvres. The pirates briefly stopped the attack to re-group and then attacked again. The aircraft made a very low pass over the pirates and then dropped some ordinance on them. The attempted attack was aborted. After 20 minutes, a French helicopter arrived to check the situation and master informed them about the pirate mother vessel's location. Crew and vessel safe	Pirates fired upon and attempted to board	Master raised alarm and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warships and PRC relayed message to CUSNC-Bahrain Fleet Watch Officer, UKMTO Dubai, NATO Northwood, Alindien, Marlo Bahrain, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	A warship responded and sent an aircraft which dropped some ordinance on the pirates. Later, a French helicopter arrived to check the situation
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IN PORT AREA

1	CCNI MEJILLONES Container ship Panama 18716 9123922	02/10/2008 23:05 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage No.12, Peru	Five masked robbers attempted to board the ship at anchor via the anchor chain. Alert crew used fire hoses and flashlights to scare off the robbers.	-	Alert crew used fire hoses and flashlights to scare off the robbers	Yes Port Authorities. PRC relayed message to MRCC Peru	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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