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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 31 October 2008 and 30 November 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 4,796, an increase of 39 since 31 October 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 October 2008 being 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, MSC.4/Circ.126 and MSC.4/Circ.127.

ANNEX 1
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	MSC.4/Circ.128 ANNEX 1 Coastal State Action Taken
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1	AROWANA RANGERS Tanker Malaysia 741 8859471	31/10/2008 00:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Off Batu Berhenti, Singapore Straits 01° 11.00' N 103° 50.50' E	Five pirates in a wooden boat, armed with knives boarded the ship underway. They stole ship's equipment and crew's personal belongings and escaped	Pirates stole ship's equipment and crew's personal belongings	Alarm raised	Yes Port Operations Control Centre (POCC), Singapore & Malaysia Marine Police and PRC relayed message to MPA, CG Singapore, Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy, SAR Basarnas, Indonesian Marine Police	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia Marine Police investigating
2	CEC FUTURE General cargo ship Bahamas 4980 9076351	07/11/2008 12:41 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 46.00' N 045° 56.00' E	Pirates hijacked the ship underway. There has been no radio communication or any alarm received from the ship. There were 13 crewmembers on board. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 16/01/2009	Ship hijacked and 13 crewmembers held hostage	-	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	-
3	MAJU DAYA 3 Tug Indonesia 167 9028720	10/11/2008 00:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Singapore Straits 01° 11.09' N 103° 52.10' E	Five pirates armed with long knives boarded the tug towing a barge (MARCO POLO 188, 1995, Indonesia) underway. The barge was laden with 5,000 mt of sand. Pirates stole personal belongings and escaped. No injury to crew. Master informed port authorities	Pirates stole personal belongings	-	Yes Port authorities and PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, Puskodal, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & SAR Jakarta	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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4	STOLT STRENGTH Chemical tanker Philippines 20059 9311024	10/11/2008 14:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 27.60' N 048° 26.80' E	Pirates armed with RPG and guns boarded the ship underway and hijacked it. They are holding 23 crewmembers hostage on board and have sailed the ship to an undisclosed location in Somalia. Further details awaited	Pirates hijacked the ship and took hostage 23 crewmembers	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	-
5	KARAGOL Chemical tanker Turkey 3974 9369928	12/11/2008 14:14 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 07.00' N 046° 48.00' E	Armed pirates attacked and hijacked the ship underway. 14 crewmembers were taken hostage. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 11/01/2009	Ship hijacked and 14 crewmembers held hostage	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	-
6	TIANYU NO. 8 Fishing vessel China	14/11/2008	EAST AFRICA Off southern Somalia	Pirates boarded and hijacked the fishing vessel with its 24 crewmembers and sailed the vessel into Somali waters. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 08/02/2009	Pirates took hostage 24 crewmembers and hijacked the vessel	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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7	SIRIUS STAR Tanker Liberia 162252 9384198	15/11/2008 07:23 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off southern Somalia 04° 41.00' S 048° 43.00' E	Armed pirates attacked and hijacked the ship underway. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 09/01/2009	Ship hijacked and 25 crewmembers held hostage	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	-
8	CHEMSTAR VENUS Chemical tanker Panama 11951 9185841	15/11/2008 09:15 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 51.00' N 046° 43.00' E	Armed pirates attacked and hijacked the ship underway. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 13/02/2009	Ship hijacked	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	-
9	DELIGHT Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 25768 8320133	18/11/2008 06:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 14° 23.00' N 051° 05.00' E	Pirates boarded and hijacked the ship underway. 25 crewmembers were taken hostage. A coalition aircraft flew over the ship and sighted five armed pirates on board with a skiff tied alongside. The ship sailed into Somali waters. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 09/01/2009	Ship hijacked and 25 crewmembers held hostage	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, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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10	EKAWATNAVA 5 Fishing vessel Kiribati 566 9094846	18/11/2008 09:30 LT	EAST AFRICA 30NM east of Ash Shir, Gulf of Aden 14° 17.15' N 050° 15.70' E	Pirates in three speedboats boarded and hijacked the fishing vessel underway. They took hostage 16 crewmembers and sailed into Somali waters. Vessel subsequently sank in naval action against pirates	Vessel hijacked and 16 crewmembers held hostage	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	-
11	KIRANA DWITYA Tanker Singapore 13203 9279666	22/11/2008 02:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA East OPL Singapore, Singapore Straits 01° 18.25' N 104° 12.40' E	Five pirates armed with guns and knives boarded the ship at anchor. They stole ship's equipment and escaped once alarm raised. No injury to crew	Robbers stole ship's equipment	Raised alarm and crew mustered	Yes VTIS Singapore and PRC relayed message to MPA Singapore, Coast Guard Singapore, Port Operations Control Centre (POCC), Singapore, Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, SAR Jakarta, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & MRCC Putrajaya, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia Marine Police boarded for investigation
12	BISCAGLIA Chemical tanker Liberia 16282 8406339	28/11/2008 04:47 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 54.00' N 049° 09.00' E	Armed pirates attacked the ship underway. The ship broadcast a distress message. Two coalition helicopters arrived at the location but the pirates had already boarded and hijacked the ship. They took the 28 crew as hostage. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 25/01/2009	Pirates took hostage 28 crew and hijacked the ship	Ship broadcast a distress message	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, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	KIMTRANS ECHO Tug Singapore 267 9311397	08/09/2008 04:05 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Vicinity of Bintan Islands Indonesia 01° 10.23' N 104° 46.95' E	Five robbers armed with long knives boarded the tug underway. They entered the bridge, tied the master's hands and took him to his cabin. The robbers stole personal belongings of the master and crew and left in a waiting speedboat. No injury to crew	Robbers tied the master's hands, stole his personal belongings and crew belongings	-	Yes PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, Puskodal, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & SAR Jakarta	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	BOURBON SAGITTA Supply ship FIS (France) 2014 9372705	31/10/2008 00:01 LT	WEST AFRICA Bakasi Peninsula, Kole Oil Terminal Cameroon 04° 13.34' N 008° 33.88' E	Heavily armed robbers boarded the O.R.S.V. (oil rig supply vessel) and kidnapped some crewmembers. Crew and vessel released on payment of ransom on 11/11/2008	Robbers kidnapped some crewmembers	-	Yes PRC relayed message to Nigerian High Commission, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	TRIDENT ENDEAVOR Bulk carrier Greece 37519 8800315	05/11/2008 03:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Taboneo Anchorage, Kalimantan Indonesia 03° 40.80' S 114° 26.70' E	Four robbers armed with catapults, knives and hacksaws boarded the ship at anchor. They threatened the duty crew with catapults and stole ship's stores from forward locker. Alarm raised and ship's whistle sounded. Robbers jumped overboard and escaped in a fast wooden boat	Robbers threatened the duty crew with catapults and knives and stole ship's stores	Alarm raised and ship's whistle sounded	Yes PSO/PFSO Banjarmasin and PRC relayed message to Bakorkamla, Indonesian Navy HQ, Puskodal, Indonesian Marine Police HQ & SAR Jakarta	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	SARANA Yacht United States	08/11/2008 14:00 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Pedernales Ecuador 00° 48.00' N 080° 07.00' W	Five armed robbers in a small fishing boat boarded the anchored yacht. They assaulted the crew and stole valuables and yacht's property. With the assistance of another yacht, the incident was reported to USCG Alameda who then contacted the Ecuadorian authorities. The authorities advised the yachts to meet at Punta Galera	Robbers took hostage 2 crewmembers and stole valuables and yacht's property	Alarm raised	Yes Local authorities and PRC relayed message to Coast Guard Ecuador and RCC Ecuador	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	THOR GALAXY General cargo ship Hong Kong, China 10021 9449352	16/11/2008 09:45 LT	WEST AFRICA Warri River Nigeria 05° 34.53' N 005° 22.39' E	Several speedboats with heavily armed men approached the ship under pilotage. They fired warning shots in the air, ordered the pilot to stop the ship and demanded the gangway ladder to be lowered. The robbers boarded the ship and sailed it to their rebel base where they anchored it. The 19 crewmembers were taken ashore. The crew and ship was later released. No harm to crew. No confirmation whether a ransom was paid to secure the release of the crew and ship	Robbers fired warning shots, hijacked the ship and kidnapped 19 crewmembers	-	Yes PRC relayed message to High Commission of The Federal Republic of Nigeria, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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6	NORTHERN JOY Container ship Germany 30567 9039250	20/11/2008 02:00 LT	WEST AFRICA Tema Anchorage Ghana 05° 34.50' N 000° 03.50' E	Eight robbers armed with long knives boarded the ship at anchor via the anchor chain. They tied up 2 duty crew and robbed them. They then stole ship's equipment and stores. The duty officer from the bridge called the duty crew several times via VHF radio. On hearing the call, the robbers jumped overboard and escaped in a waiting boat	Robbers tied up 2 duty crew and robbed them. They then stole ship's equipment and stores	Alarm raised	Yes Tema Port Control and PRC relayed message to RCC Ghana	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Port Control sent a patrol boat for investigation
7	SEYCHELLES PRIDE Chemical tanker Seychelles 21353 9251664	26/11/2008 04:30 LT	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage Nigeria 06° 19.00' N 003° 20.40' E	Robbers armed with knives in a small craft boarded the ship at anchor. They stole ship's stores and property and escaped before the duty A/B raised the alarm. The craft was observed approaching another vessel. The ship warned the vessel. The craft aborted the attempt and headed back to shore	Robbers stole ship's stores and property	Duty crew raised alarm	Yes Port control and PRC relayed message to High Commission of The Federal Republic of Nigeria, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
8	BBC ORINOCO General cargo ship Antigua and Barbuda 11864 9366110	28/11/2008 19:50 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA Vung Tau outer anchorage Viet Nam 10° 16.10' N 107° 02.20' E	Six robbers in a fishing boat approached the ship at anchor. Two robbers armed with knives boarded the ship. One of them threatened the duty crew with a knife while the other robber stole ship's stores. Later they jumped overboard and escaped in their boat with the stolen stores. Port control informed	Robbers stole ship's stores and a duty crew was threatened	Change anchor position from outer road to inner road	Yes Port control and PRC relayed message to Vietnam Maritime Security Information Centre	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

IN PORT AREA

1	FREJA BREEZE Tanker Panama 28433 9127708	01/11/2008 21:05 UTC	WEST AFRICA OPL Lagos Anchorage Nigeria 06° 18.60' N 003° 26.40' E	Two robbers armed with knives boarded the ship from the stern. They overpowered the duty crew, tied up his hands, stole his walkie-talkie and threatened him to kill him if he screamed. The robbers then stole ship's stores. When duty officer on bridge could not get a response to his routine call on walkie-talkie, he instructed another crewmember to look for him. The second crew noticed the robbers and notified the bridge. Alarm raised and crew alerted. Robbers escaped in their waiting boat	Robbers overpowered the duty crew, tied up his hands, stole his walkie-talkie and threatened him. They stole ship's stores	Alarm raised and crew alerted	Yes Lagos Port Control and PRC relayed message to Nigerian High Commission, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	PONTICA General cargo ship Saint Vincent and the Grenadines 10322 8114041	02/11/2008 04:20 LT	WEST AFRICA Berth No.8, Apapa Port, Lagos Nigeria 06° 26.57' N 003° 23.09' E	Seven robbers boarded the ship at berth. They broke the forecastle store padlocks but escaped in a waiting speedboat as soon as the alert duty crew noticed them. Local agent and CSO were informed.	-	Alarm raised	Yes PRC relayed message to Nigerian High Commission	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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3	BAIZO Tanker Panama 28517 9263916	07/11/2008 20:55 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Chittagong Anchorage 'A' Bangladesh 22° 15.80' N 091° 44.10' E	Five robbers boarded the ship at anchor. The robbers jumped overboard when sighted by ship's crew. Nothing stolen and no injury to crew	-	Ship raised alarm	Yes PRC relayed message to The Director General (Focal Point), Intelligence Office of ISPS & Coast Guard Bangladesh	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	GLORY OCEAN Cement carrier Singapore 10337 9116448	13/11/2008 10:00 UTC	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Mamonal 'A' Anchorage, Cartagena Colombia	Robbers armed with gun and knives boarded the ship at anchor. They tied up one crewmember and stole ship's stores. Coast Guard boarded the ship for investigation	Robbers tied up one crewmember and stole ship's stores	-	Yes Coast Guard and PRC relayed message to MRCC Colombia Coast Guard Station & MRCC Cartagena Coast Guard Station	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	Coast Guard boarded for investigation

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1	NOOR Tanker Malta 156809 9079066	28/10/2008 11:27 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 40.20' N 045° 28.90' E	Six speed boats with four armed pirates in each boat chased the ship underway. Master took evasive manoeuvres and initiated anti piracy measures. After a while the boats aborted the attack	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres and 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	-
2	BRITTA MAERSK Chemical tanker DIS (Denmark) 19758 9341433	02/11/2008 10:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 02.00' N 046° 37.00' E	The ship, underway, sighted one fishing boat – white hull and orange inboard on port bow. One speedboat, which was hidden behind the fishing boat, started to approach the ship at high speed. The ship crew noticed five men armed with automatic weapons in the boat. Anti piracy measures enforced. Pirates fired upon the ship. Ship released foam through the foam monitors and fire hoses, which covered the water on both sides of the ship. Speedboats stopped firing and returned to the fishing boat	Pirates fired upon the ship	Crew released foam through foam monitors and fire hoses, which covered the water on both sides of the ship	Yes Coalition warship, NATO UK, CTF 150 N2, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	AL MAREEKH Refrigerated cargo carrier Saudi Arabia 13299 8211461	10/11/2008 10:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Somalia 01° 12.50' N 050° 41.10' E	Two speedboats approached the ship underway. One boat approached from the stb quarter and the other from astern. The pirates armed with guns and rocket propelled grenades fired upon the ship. Ship made evasive manoeuvres. The speedboats could not get closer due to the waves created by the evasive manoeuvres. Later the speedboats aborted the attempt. Ship sustained damages from gunfire. Crew safe	Ship fired upon and sustained damages from gunfire	Ship increased speed and made evasive manoeuvres	Yes UKMTO Dubai 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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4	JAG ARNAV Bulk carrier India 38265 9109392	11/11/2008 04:15 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 45.00' N 046° 04.00' E	On a voyage from Suez to Jubail in the Persian Gulf, the ship's bridge team sighted two suspected pirate boats with 3-4 armed pirates in each boat chasing the ship underway. Crewmembers were immediately alerted and the ship was manoeuvred away from the boats. The Indian Navy and the coalition forces were informed. The ship took evasive measures and followed the instructions of the Indian Naval vessel. At 1111hrs, Master informed that an Indian Naval helicopter was hovering over the ship and the boats had retreated to about 5 to 6 miles astern of the ship. The Master informed at 1226hrs that the pirate boats had given up chase and were about 9 miles from the ship and reported no immediate threat to the ship or crew. The ship followed the instructions of the Indian Navy	-	Master made evasive manoeuvres	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, CIFIC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	India and ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	HARAZ Tanker Cyprus 163660 9357406	12/11/2008 12:10 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 33.60' N 045° 10.60' E	Armed pirates in two speedboats chased the ship underway. Ship took evasive manoeuvres and escaped from the pirates	-	Ship 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	-
6	TAI BAI HAI Bulk carrier China 22041 8318269	13/11/2008 06:30 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 28.00' N 049° 21.50' E	Six pirates in a fast speedboat approached the ship underway. Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses. The pirates ordered the ship to stop but master continued with the evasive manoeuvres. The pirates fired upon the ship with two rocket propelled grenades and automatic weapons. Master called coalition warship and asked for immediate assistance. A coalition warship responded and came to the location in 15 minutes and chased away the pirate boat. No injuries to crew or damages to the ship	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses	Yes 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	-

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7	KAPITAN MASLOV Container ship Cyprus 16575 9130157	13/11/2008 12:45 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off southern Somalia 04° 51.40' S 044° 54.10' E	Pirates armed with automatic weapons and rocket propelled grenades chased and fired upon the ship underway. Because of the firing, fire broke out in the third officer's cabin. The ship increased speed and made evasive manoeuvres. The pirate boat came alongside on port side. Pirates attempted to board but were unsuccessful and they aborted. Ship continued to her destination port	Pirates fired upon the ship. Fire broke out in the third officer's cabin	Ship increased speed and made evasive manoeuvre	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	ESL Kenya and ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
8	GOLDEN AMBROSIA Chemical tanker Singapore 8302 9453729	14/11/2008 06:35 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 21.30' N 047° 18.86' E	Pirates armed with automatic weapons in three small speedboats approached the ship underway. Master contacted coalition warship and took evasive manoeuvres. The speedboats spread out and approached the ship at high speed. The pirates failed in their attempt to board the ship	-	Master contacted coalition warship and took evasive manoeuvres and used Long Range Acoustic Device and focused it on the speedboats	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	-
9	TS COLOMBO Container ship Hong Kong, China 15095 9108233	14/11/2008 21:34 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off southern Somalia 04° 25.60' S 048° 58.50' E	Pirates heavily armed with automatic weapons and rocket propelled grenades in two speedboats chased and fired upon the ship underway. Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses. Pirates aborted the attempted attack at 2256 UTC. Ship sustained damages due to gunshots and rocket propelled grenades fire. No injuries to crew	Ship sustained damages due to gunshots and rocket propelled grenades fire	Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses. SSAS activated	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	VANCOUVER VICTORY Bulk carrier Panama 35592 8010843	21/11/2008 01:30 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA West Coast Luzon Philippines 16° 17.00' N 119° 32.50' E	Three blue coloured speedboats, chased the ship underway. Ship increased speed, made evasive manoeuvres, raised alarm and crew activated fire hoses. Pirates aborted the attempt after 30 minutes	-	Ship raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres, crew mustered and activated fire hoses	Yes PRC relayed message to Coast Guard Philippines	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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11	JOSCO SUZHOU Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 27162 9281968	24/11/2008 06:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 14° 11.72' N 049° 59.05' E	Armed pirates, in two speedboats, approached and chased the ship underway. Master took evasive manoeuvres, activated fire hoses and raised alarm. Pirates fired upon the ship but could not board due to anti piracy measures. Later, the pirates gave up the chase. A coalition warship proceeded to render assistance	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres, raised alarm and crew activated fire hoses	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, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
12	NEVERLAND Tanker Italy 56346 9247390	29/11/2008 03:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 13° 54.00' N 049° 26.00' E	Ten speedboats with 3 to 4 masked men on board each boat came close to the ship underway. One of the boats came very close and the pirates were sighted carrying guns. Master raised alarm and took evasive manoeuvres. Pirate boats then moved away. A coalition warship was informed	-	Master raised alarm 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, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
13	TAI SHUN HAI Bulk carrier China 27958 8919568	29/11/2008 05:20 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 12° 20.00' N 044° 11.00' E	Two speedboats with ten pirates armed with guns and rocket propelled grenades attempted to board the ship underway. The pirate boats closed in at the ship's bow and quarter. Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and activated fire hoses. After 25 minutes of chasing, the pirates aborted the attempt	-	Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres 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, CIFC Watch, Fleet Constabulary Operations Officer & Yemen Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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14	NAUTICA Passenger ship Marshall Islands 30277 9200938	30/11/2008 05:28 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden 14° 02.70' N 049° 43.70' E	Two pirate boats with three pirates on board each boat intercepted the ship underway. Master sighted a gun on the second boat and later the pirates fired upon the ship. Master increased speed and the pirate boats were unable to follow the ship and aborted attempt	-	Master raised alarm, increased speed and crew activated anti-piracy measures, UKMTO Dubai was informed	Yes UKMTO Dubai 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	-
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IN PORT AREA

1	FRIO ROMA Refrigerated cargo carrier Panama 8245 8220280	16/11/2008 04:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA Bonny Outer Road Anchorage Nigeria 04° 08.00' N 006° 50.00' E	Six robbers armed with automatic weapons fired upon the ship at anchor. The robbers in a speedboat circled four times around the ship and left. No injury to crew	Robbers fired upon the ship	Ship raised alarm and activated fire hoses	Yes Signal station and PRC relayed message to Nigerian High Commission	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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