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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 28 February and 31 March 2009, 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 4,921, an increase of 42 since 28 February 2009.

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 28 February 2009 being MSC.4/Circ.118, MSC.4/Circ.119, MSC.4/Circ.120, MSC.4/Circ.121, MSC.4/Circ.122, MSC.4/Circ.123, MSC.4/Circ.124, MSC.4/Circ.125, MSC.4/Circ.126, MSC.4/Circ.127, MSC.4/Circ.128, MSC.4/Circ.129, and MSC.4/Circ.130, MSC.4/Circ.131, MSC.4/Circ.132, MSC.4/Circ.133 and MSC.4/Circ.134.

ANNEX 1
Acts of piracy and armed robbery allegedly committed against ships reported by
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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.135 ANNEX 1 Coastal State Action Taken
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	SERENITY Yacht Seychelles	16/03/2009	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia,	The yacht with three Seychelles nationals on board, was hijacked when sailing from Seychelles to Madagascar. The ship is held off Somalia. No further details provided	Yacht hijacked with two hostages on board	-	No	EUNAVFOR	-
2	TITAN Bulk carrier Saint Vincent and the Grenadines 24843 8117146	19/03/2009 14:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 35.00' N 047° 21.00' E	Six pirates, in a speed boat armed with AK47 rifles and pistols boarded and hijacked the ship underway. Pirates sailed the ship to Somali coastal waters to an undisclosed location	Pirates took hostage 24 crewmembers and hijacked the ship	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	AL RAFIQUEI India 685	21/03/2009 05:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA 145 NM East of Somalia Coast, 04° 11.00' N 050° 25.00' E	Pirates in speed boats / launches chased the dhow underway. They boarded the vessel and assaulted the crew. Pirates stole dhow's property, crew personal belongings and escaped. The crew and dhow were safe and proceeded to a port in Somalia	Pirates assaulted the crew, stole dhow's property and crew personal belongings	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	NIPAYIA Chemical tanker Panama 5357 9162069	25/03/2009 13:16 UTC	EAST AFRICA 370 NM ESE of Hobyo, 01° 42.53' N 053° 41.90' E	Pirates in a speed boat attacked and hijacked the tanker underway, taken 19 crew hostage. Pirates sailed the tanker to an undisclosed location in Somalia	Pirates took hostage 19 crew members and hijacked the tanker	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	BOW ASIR Chemical tanker Bahamas 14627 7926306	26/03/2009 07:54 UTC	EAST AFRICA 310 NM SE of Mogadishu, Somalia 02° 26.00' S 048° 11.00' E	Armed pirates boarded and hijacked the tanker underway and sailed her to a location along the Somali coast	Pirates took hostage 27 crew members and hijacked the tanker	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	INDIAN OCEAN EXPLORER Yacht Seychelles 148	28/03/2009	EAST AFRICA Off Seychelles / Off Southern Somalia	Pirates boarded and hijacked a yacht with seven crew members after departing from the Seychelles. Master contacted the owners on 01.04.2009 to inform that the yacht had been hijacked. It is believed that the pirates sailed the yacht to the Somali coast	Yacht hijacked and 7 crew members taken hostage	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	EMIRATES SWAN Tanker Singapore 5776 9333125	11/03/2009 22:52 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria 06° 19.80' N 033° 25.75' E	Robbers armed with guns, knives and iron rods boarded the tanker at anchor. As a result of assaulting the crew, the captain and an A/B were seriously injured. The captain received medical treatment onboard while the A/B was sent ashore for treatment	Master and an A/B were injured	-	Yes High Commission of Nigeria in Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	OEL SINGAPORE Container ship Singapore 9990 9345910	15/03/2009 07:15 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Chittagong Anchorage 'C', Bangladesh 22° 10.70' N 091° 46.60' E	Robbers boarded the ship and broke open rope locker and stole ship's stores	Robbers stole ship's stores	-	Yes Port control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	MR. BEAN Yacht 23	23/03/2009	SOUTH CHINA SEA Off Koh Tong (Tong Island), Satun Province, Thailand 06° 40.00' N 099° 14.00' E	Three robbers armed with knives and hammers attacked and boarded the yacht crewed by a British couple. The wife was tied up and held hostage in the yacht's cabin for up to 12 hours and her husband was killed and his body thrown into the sea. After Police investigation, three fishermen confessed to having committed the killing	Yacht Master was killed and his wife suffered serious injuries	-	Yes Thai Police	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	The pirates were arrested

IN PORT AREA

1	MAGIC Bulk carrier Liberia 32379 9403073	07/03/2009 22:30 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Kakinada Anchorage, India 16° 59.50' N 082° 21.50' E	Robbers boarded the ship by climbing through the hawse pipe. When sighted by duty watchmen, robbers jumped overboard and escaped with ship's stores	Robbers stole ship's stores	Crew on watch reported to the bridge and yelled from distance	Yes Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	OLYMPIAN RACER Container ship Cyprus 9910 9319557	08/03/2009 11:55 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Vung Tau Anchorage, Viet Nam	Robbers boarded the ship unnoticed and got access into the paint locker. The ship's crew returning to work at forecastle noticed a boat leaving the ship's side. Upon checking, it was discovered the entrance to paint locker was broke open. Ship's stores stolen	Ship's paint locker was broke open and ship's stores were stolen	-	Yes PRC relayed message to Vietnam Maritime Security Information Centre	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	IVER PROSPERITY Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 23421 9351921	25/03/2009 02:00 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Port Au Prince Outer Anchorage S1, Haiti 18° 34.00' N 072° 31.30' W	Watchman on board the tanker spotted two robbers armed with knives on forecastle deck. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Robbers tried to steal ship's stores, but failed due to vigilant anti piracy watch	-	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port Control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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ANNEX 2
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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.135 ANNEX 2 Coastal State Action Taken
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	CRISTINA A Container ship Turkey 17687 9337365	01/01/2009 07:55 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 14° 23.50' N 051° 14.60' E	Three speed boats approached the ship underway. Ship made evasive manoeuvres and prevented the pirates from boarding	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres and sent distress message	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	SUPER STAR III Ro-ro-cargo ship Panama 9874 7818107	01/01/2009 17:30 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 14° 36.20' N 051° 07.00' E	One speed boat with eight pirates armed with guns and RPGs chased the ship underway. The speed boat came alongside the ship and pirates placed a ladder on ship's side to board her. Master altered course preventing the pirates from boarding	-	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition Warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	DARIN NAREE Bulk carrier Thailand 18639 8313386	04/01/2009 08:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 14° 18.00' N 050° 32.00' E	Speed boats with four to five armed pirates in each boat approached the ship underway. Master took evasive manoeuvres and contacted coalition warship. A military helicopter arrived and informed the ship that no pirate boats were seen anymore	-	Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres and crew mustered	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	LIA Tanker Liberia 42010 9417751	24/02/2009 12:35 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 52.00' N 049° 42.00' E	A tanker underway detected on radar pirates in two high speed craft approaching. Master raised alarm, crew mustered and activated fire hoses. Master requested naval assistance. Chinese warship acknowledged and dispatched a helicopter. The tanker increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. The naval helicopter positioned itself over the pirate craft resulting in the pirates aborting the attack	-	Master raised alarm, crew mustered and activated fire hoses	Yes Yes. Chinese Coalition Warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	PRO ALLIANCE Tanker Panama 57773 9404936	02/03/2009 06:49 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 09.00' N 045° 33.00' E	Pirates armed with guns fired upon the tanker underway. Master reported to coalition warship and increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. Attempt was aborted	Pirates fired upon the tanker	Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and altered away from the pirate boats	Yes Yes. UKMTO Dubai	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	COURIER Container ship Antigua and Barbuda 14860 9101481	03/03/2009 06:12 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 02.00' N 048° 43.00' E	Pirates armed with RPG and rifles fired upon the ship. Master raised alarm, sent distress message and took evasive manoeuvres. A naval warship responded to the distress call and sent a helicopter. The helicopter fired warning shots and the pirates aborted attempted attack	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master raised alarm, sent distress message and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Yes. Naval Warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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7	CONSUL POPPE Bulk carrier Malta 36074 9110212	04/03/2009 07:35 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 17.90' N 044° 09.00' E	Five armed pirates in a boat approached the ship underway. Master raised alarm, increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and fired rocket flares. The boat aborted the attempted attack and passed on the ship's port beam at a distance of 0.4 NM	-	Master raised alarm, increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and fired rocket flares	Yes Contacted Coalition Forces	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
8	PRABHU DAYA Bulk carrier Singapore 29986 9231573	05/03/2009 03:45 LT	EAST AFRICA 900 NM Off Somalia, 07° 56.00' N 065° 28.00' W	While underway, OOW onboard the ship noticed an unidentified and unlit target on the radar about 9 NM on stbd bow. Target did not transmit AIS signal and did not respond to calls on vhf radio. About 45 minutes later, target increased speed and headed towards the ship. Ship took evasive manoeuvres and prevented target from getting closer. Target moved away and attempt was aborted	-	Ship took evasive manoeuvres and prevented target from getting closer	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
9	SHANGHAI VENTURE Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 32505 9333929	09/03/2009 17:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia, 08° 05.10' N 058° 43.10' E	Pirates armed with RPGs and rifles in a skiff chased the ship underway and opened fire at it. Ship took evasive manoeuvres and prevented pirates from boarding	Pirates fired upon the ship. Ship sustained several bullet holes	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes JRCC Stavanger	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
10	MAR REINA Bulk carrier Panama 37818 9168465	10/03/2009 04:45 UTC	EAST AFRICA 385 NM SE of Socotra Island, Somalia 08° 45.00' N 059° 09.80' E	Pirates chased the ship and opened fire with small arms. Ship made evasive manoeuvres and escaped the attack. Master sustained minor wound due to gun shot	Pirates fired upon the ship and master sustained minor wound due to gun shot	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes UKMTO Dubai	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
11	ATALANTA Bulk carrier Marshall Islands 19882 9228394	11/03/2009 05:20 UTC	EAST AFRICA 88 NM Off Al Mukalla, Gulf of Aden, 13° 16.50' N 049° 44.30' E	The ship spotted a boat drifting about 5 miles on her stbd beam while underway. Master took evasive manoeuvres, contacted warship and informed company CSO. After a while the boat aborted the attempt. Two warships arrived at the location and a helicopter hovered above the ship and headed towards the boat. The ship continued her passage. Description of boat: white hull with one wooded mast in the centre. Boat had 5/6 people standing in the boat	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition Warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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12	CHONG CHON GANG General cargo ship Republic of Korea 9147 7937317	11/03/2009 22:20 UTC	EAST AFRICA About 360 NM SE of Mogadishu, Somalia 04° 02.00' S 046° 33.00' E	The ship was chased by a speed boat launched from a mother vessel while underway. Pirates fired RPG and automatic guns at the ship. Master made evasive manoeuvres and escaped the attack. One crew received minor injuries on his head from gun shots fired by the pirates. The ship sustained damages from bullets and RPG fire	Pirates fired RPG and automatic guns at the ship. One crew received minor injuries on his head from gun shots. Ship sustained damages from bullets and RPG fire	Master made evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
13	FELIPE RUANO Fishing vessel Spain 2110 8806955	13/03/2009 07:13 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia, Somalia 07° 11.00' N 058° 50.00' E	While underway the fishing vessel was chased by a skiff with six pirates armed with automatic weapons. Master increased speed and headed into the waves / swell and thus the skiff was prevented from advancing towards the ship. Attempt was aborted	-	Vessel increased speed and headed into the waves / swell	Yes RCC Australia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
14	DIAMOND FALCON Bulk carrier Viet Nam 14851 9482811	14/03/2009 06:15 UTC	EAST AFRICA 47 NM Off Al Mukalla, Gulf of Aden, 13° 40.50' N 049° 17.50' E	Armed pirates in speed boats fired upon the ship underway. Master raised alarm. Two helicopters from the coalition warships arrived at the scene. Seeing the helicopters the pirates moved away. The ship increased speed and successfully avoided boarding. Ship sustained many bullet holes	Pirates fired upon the ship and the ship sustained bullet hole damages	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition Warships	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
15	NORTHERN STAR Bulk carrier Panama 18596 8208957	16/03/2009 15:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 33.40' N 043° 25.50' E	Pirates in two speed boats armed with machine guns chased the ship underway. The speed boats crossed the ship's bow and came onto the port side. Master took evasive manoeuvres and prevented boarding	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
16	VALLE DI ARAGONA Tanker Italy 25063 9220914	20/03/2009 06:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 42.60' N 042° 27.80' E	Pirates armed with machine guns in two speed boats chased the tanker underway. Speed boats crossed the tanker's bow and came onto the port side. Master took evasive manoeuvres and activated fire hoses. Pirates aborted the attempt	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres and activated fire hoses	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
17	RYU GYONG General cargo ship Republic of Korea 9013 7433294	20/03/2009 10:02 LT	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia, 07° 51.80' S 045° 04.50' E	Five pirates armed with guns chased the ship underway. Master raised alarm, fired rocket flares and took evasive manoeuvres and moved away. Pirates gave up the attempt after chasing the ship for 30 minutes	-	Master raised alarm, fired rocket flares, took evasive manoeuvres and moved away	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
18	MSC DENISSE Container ship Panama 28176 7435292	22/03/2009 08:40 UTC	EAST AFRICA 433 NM SE of Mogadishu, Somalia 12° 26.80' S 051° 11.30' E	Two speed boats chased the ship underway. The pirates armed with AK47 and RPGs opened fire on the ship causing damage. Master took evasive. Attempt was aborted	Pirates fired upon the ship causing damages	Master raised alarm, took evasive manoeuvres, crew mustered and activated fire hoses	Yes MRCC Seychelles	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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19	PANTANASSA Bulk carrier Saint Vincent and the Grenadines 18641 8216758	22/03/2009 09:40 UTC	EAST AFRICA 380 NM SE of Mogadishu, Somalia 02° 14.70' S 050° 13.50' E	Pirates in two boats armed with automatic weapons and RPGs chased the ship underway. They fired upon the ship. Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. Attempt was aborted	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
20	JASMINE ACE Ro-ro-cargo ship Cayman Islands (United Kingdom) 13038 9104263	22/03/2009 13:07 UTC	EAST AFRICA 490 NM SE of Mogadishu, Somalia 02° 46.00' S 052° 11.16' E	Two speed boats with pirates armed with guns and RPGs chased the ship underway and opened fire on it. The ship sustained some damages. Master increased speed, made evasive manoeuvres and prevented boarding	Pirates fired upon the ship. Ship sustained some damages	Master increased speed and made evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
21	RYU GYONG General cargo ship Republic of Korea 9013 7433294	23/03/2009 17:40 LT	EAST AFRICA 212 NM of Mogadishu, Somalia 02° 28.00' N 050° 49.00' E	While underway, a general cargo ship sighted a mother vessel ahead launching two skiffs with length about 6-7m. The pirates were armed with automatic weapons. The skiffs chased the ship and opened fire at it. Master increased speed, activated fire hoses, fired rocket flares and made evasive manoeuvres to prevent boarding	Pirates fired upon the ship and the ship sustained some damages	Master increased speed, activated fire hoses, fired rocket flares and made evasive manoeuvres	Yes EU NAVFOR Atalanta	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
22	PREVENTER Bulk carrier Panama 38891 8907321	25/03/2009 05:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Southern Somalia, Somalia 07° 54.40' S 046° 52.20' E	While underway, the ship was chased and fired upon by two speed boats from either side of the ship. Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres to prevent boarding	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
23	EXPLORER III Research ship Netherlands Antilles (Netherlands) 356 9171656	25/03/2009 07:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA 600 NM East of Mogadishu, Somalia 00° 24.10' N 056° 01.50' E	Two speed boats chased the vessel underway. Master increased speed and took anti-piracy measures. Later, the boats stopped and moved away	-	Master increased speed and took anti- piracy measures	Yes MRCC Seychelles	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
24	MOUNT ADAMS Bulk carrier Hong Kong, China 17431 9245067	25/03/2009 12:10 UTC	EAST AFRICA Straits of Bab El Mandeb, Red Sea Somalia 13° 31.00' N 042° 34.00' E	The ship was attacked underway by pirates in speed boats. The Master took evasive manoeuvres and avoided the attempt by employing effective anti piracy measures	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres and effective anti piracy measures and send distress message	Yes RCC Australia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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25	GRANDEZZA Yacht	28/03/2009 11:50 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 26.00' N 046° 53.00' E	Pirates in skiffs armed with guns chased and fired upon the yacht underway. Master contacted coalition warships for help. Pirates attempted to board using a ladder but fell into the sea. A coalition helicopter arrived at location. Upon seeing the helicopter, the pirates aborted attempt and escaped	Pirates fired upon the yacht	Yacht increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
26	MAERSK NEUSTADT Container ship Liberia 25674 9305879	28/03/2009 13:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia, 07° 21.70' S 046° 44.40' E	A high speed boat launched from a mother vessel chased the ship. Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. The pirates came close, but the attempt was aborted	-	Increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
27	STEAM LEADER Chemical tanker Singapore 26751 9343194	29/03/2009 21:23 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 11° 50.20' N 044° 53.30' E	Pirates in a speed boat approached and attempted to board the tanker underway by using metal hooks and ropes. Alert crew prevented boarding and informed duty officer on bridge. The tanker took evasive action and escaped	-	Alert crew raised alarm and activated fire hoses. Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
28	EASTERN QUEEN Bulk carrier Republic of Korea 37550 9082922	30/03/2009 16:15 LT	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia, 09° 45.00' N 058° 50.00' E	Pirates in speed boat chased and opened fire on the ship with guns and RPG. Ship made evasive manoeuvres which prevented the pirate boat from closing in. Pirate boat retreated and proceeded towards mother vessel	-	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. Crew activated fire hoses. SSAS and EPIRB activated	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
29	FGS SPESSART Supply ship Germany	29/05/2009 15:00 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden,	Pirates armed with guns opened fire on a naval supply ship underway. Naval personnel onboard the ship returned fire on the suspected pirates. Warships and aircraft in the area were notified. A military helicopter with a boarding team pursued the pirate boat and detained the seven pirates and confiscated weapons. The pirates were later transferred to a warship for appropriate action	-	Pirates fired upon the naval supply ship	Yes Coalition warships and aircraft	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN PORT AREA

1	MS SIMON Chemical tanker Liberia 25400 9247493	26/03/2009 21:20 LT	WEST AFRICA Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria 06° 17.96' N 003° 25.06' E	Ship's crew onboard the tanker at anchor noticed a boat with several persons armed with machine guns, rocket propelled grenade launchers and machetes, attempting to climb onboard with the use of a rope. All crew were alerted and alarm raised. Upon seeing the alert crew, the robbers escaped	-	Raised alarm, crew mustered and directed search lights at the robbers and their boat	Yes Lagos Port Authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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