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REPORTS ON ACTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS

Issued monthly – Acts reported during May 2009

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 April and 31 May 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 5,026, an increase of 48 since 30 April 2009.

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 30 April 2009 being 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, MSC.4/Circ.130, MSC.4/Circ.131, MSC.4/Circ.132, MSC.4/Circ.133, MSC.4/Circ.134, MSC.4/Circ.135 and MSC.4/Circ.136.

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."

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.137 ANNEX 1 Coastal State Action Taken
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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	ARIANA Bulk carrier Malta 37955 8014150	02/05/2009 02:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Southern Somalia, 07° 19.00' S 052° 11.00' E	Armed pirates attacked and hijacked the ship underway with 24 crew on board. Additional information awaited	Pirates hijacked the ship and took 24 crew hostage	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	ALMEZAAN General cargo ship Panama 2086 7906710	02/05/2009 06:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Somalia, 04° 12.00' N 047° 58.00' E	Armed pirates attacked and hijacked the ship underway. Further reports are awaited	Pirates hijacked the ship and took the crewmembers hostage	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	VICTORIA General cargo ship Antigua and Barbuda 7767 9290074	05/05/2009 13:04 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 22.00' N 049° 23.00' E	Pirates attacked and hijacked the ship underway taking 11 crew members hostage. They sailed the ship to an undisclosed location in Somalia	Pirates hijacked the ship and took 11 crew members hostage	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	MARATHON General cargo ship Netherlands Antilles (Netherlands) 1655 7529330	07/05/2009 06:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 43.00' N 050° 35.00' E	Armed pirates in skiffs attacked, boarded and hijacked the ship with eight crewmembers on board. The ship was taken to an unknown location in Somalia	Pirates hijacked the ship and took eight crew members hostage	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	MAJULLAH JASMINE Tanker Saint Kitts and Nevis 577 7331707	16/05/2009	SOUTH CHINA SEA Malacca Straits,	Pirates armed with guns and knives in a speed boat boarded the tanker underway. They stole ship's and crew cash and escaped	Pirates stole ship's and crew cash	-	Yes Marine Police HQ, Malaysia	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	JBU OPAL Chemical tanker Hong Kong, China 11500 9400409	03/05/2009 00:01 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Sandakan Anchorage, Malaysia 05° 48.70' N 118° 05.90' E	Robbers boarded unnoticed the ship at anchor. They broke the lock of the paint store and stole ship's stores. Local agent was informed	Robbers stole ship's stores	-	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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2	UNITED AMBASSADOR Tanker Greece 42010 9307085	04/05/2009 21:20 UTC	INDIAN OCEAN Cochin anchorage, India 09° 54.93' N 076° 06.47' E	Three robbers boarded the ship at anchor using a rope and hook. Robbers stole and lowered ship's stores into a waiting boat. The 2nd officer noticed the robbers and approached them with other crewmembers. Robbers jumped overboard and escaped with stolen stores	Ship's stores stolen	-	Yes FPSO and Port authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	MOL SILVER FERN Container ship Panama 13310 9136591	07/05/2009 00:02 UTC	EAST AFRICA Dar Es Salaam Anchorage, United Republic of Tanzania 06° 42.10' S 039° 18.40' E	Two robbers armed with knives boarded a container ship at anchor using hooks attached to a long pole. Alert crew saw the robbers and raised alarm. Upon hearing the alarm, the robbers jumped overboard and escaped with eight accomplices waiting in their boat	-	Raised alarm	Yes MRCC Tanzania.	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	REVAL General cargo ship Saint Vincent and the Grenadines 6395 8502066	21/05/2009 03:20 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos Roads, Nigeria	Six robbers armed with automatic weapons boarded the ship drifting. They broke down Master's and chief officer's cabin doors and stole ship's cash. Master raised a distress signal. Robbers left the ship 20 minutes later after stealing ship's and crew personal property	Pirates stole ship's cash, property and crew personal property	Master sent distress signal	Yes Nigerian Navy HQ & The High Commissioner of Nigeria	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	JANDAVID S Container ship Antigua and Barbuda 27227 9259381	23/05/2009 20:45 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Callao Anchorage, Peru 12° 01.86' S 077° 11.36' W	Two boats with customs and health authorities were drifting on port and stbd side of the ship respectively. Duty crew reported sighting of robbers at forecastle. Crew deck watchman was tied up. Alarm raised and crew mustered. A search was conducted and found that the watchman was tied up. Ship's property stolen	Ship's property stolen. Crew deck watchman was tied up	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	TOPNICHE 5 Tug Singapore 255 9256547	28/05/2009 02:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Near Aur Island, Malaysia 02° 14.59' N 104° 14.84' E	Five robbers, armed with guns and knives, boarded the tug boat with nine crewmembers on board while towing a Singapore-registered barge "Chrisniche 4" on route from Kong Kong, Cambodia and Singapore	Pirates stole crew cash and personal belongings	-	Yes Coastal State and Flag State	ReCAAP	-
7	NORDERTOR General cargo ship Antigua and Barbuda 5025 9141675	29/05/2009 03:40 LT	WEST AFRICA Boma Roads, Democratic Rep. of the Congo	Two robbers armed with machetes boarded the ship at anchor and threatened the duty A/B. Alarm raised and crew mustered. The robbers escaped upon hearing the alarm	Robbers threatened the duty A/B with machetes	Alarm raised and crew mustered. Master alerted another vessel in the vicinity	Yes Embassy of the Democratic Republic of Congo	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN PORT AREA

1	JBU OPAL Chemical tanker Hong Kong, China 11500 9400409	03/05/2009 04:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Karamunting Palm Oil Terminal, Sandakan, Malaysia	Four robbers in a fishing boat approached the ship at berth while crewmembers were busy at the manifold. The robbers boarded the tanker using hook attached to a rope. Several crewmembers saw unidentified persons on forecastle deck and they approached them. The robbers escaped in their boat upon seeing the crew alertness	-	-	Yes Malaysia authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	WESERTOR General cargo ship Germany 4180 9156395	05/05/2009 03:30 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Port Au Prince, Haiti	Three robbers boarded a general cargo ship at anchor via the forecastle. Alert crew noticed the robbers and raised alarm. Robbers escaped upon hearing the alarm	-	Raised alarm	Yes Embassy of Haiti, France for Defence Attache	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	CAP VILANO Container ship Antigua and Barbuda 28372 9311787	09/05/2009 00:01 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (P) Pier 5D, Callao Port, Peru	Robbers boarded the ship at berth during cargo operations. Despite having four shore watchmen and extra lighting, the robbers managed to steal ship's rescue boat's engine and escape	-	Robbers stole ship's rescue boat's engine	Yes Local authorities and Peru Coast Guard	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	PLUTO Container ship Marshall Islands 23722 9193680	21/05/2009 21:00 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (A) Puerto Moin Outer Roads, Costa Rica 10° 02.00' N 083° 05.00' W	Two robbers boarded the ship at anchor. They broke padlock of paint locker and stole ship's stores and escaped	Ship's stores stolen	-	Yes Port authorities and local Police	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	MARTHA RUSS Container ship Antigua and Barbuda 9956 9346562	23/05/2009 20:54 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Chittagong Anchorage 'C', Bangladesh	Ship's crew spotted eight armed robbers on the poop deck at anchor. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Robbers stole ship's stores and escaped	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised and crew mustered	Yes Port control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	SINAR BANGKA Container ship Panama 12563 9220304	28/05/2009 23:40 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA MITT Anchorage, Yangon, Myanmar 16° 38.88' N 096° 15.52' E	Two robbers boarded the ship at anchor. Duty crew spotted the robbers and raised the alarm. The robbers jumped overboard and escaped in a small wooden boat with two other accomplices	-	Alarm raised	Yes Myanmar & Myanmar Shipping Department	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

1	MARE CARIBBEAN Tanker Marshall Islands 29327 9276004	01/05/2009 05:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA About 560 NM SE of Mogadishu, 03° 05.00' S 053° 19.00' E	A pirate mother vessel and two speedboats were observed by the tanker underway at a distance of 8NM. The speedboats doing 22 knots came close to the ship and fired upon at the bridge with automatic guns and RPG. The pirates tried to board the ship five times using hand ladder. Due to the ship's freeboard and the evasive manoeuvres taken, the Master prevented the boarding	Pirates fired upon the ship. Ship sustained some damages and 1 crew received small wounds by glasses	Master raised alarm, No increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
2	IVS CABERNET Bulk carrier Singapore 89728 9336012	01/05/2009 05:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA About 960 NM ESE of Mogadishu, Somalia 04° 52.00' S 060° 06.00' E	Pirates in two small boats armed with automatic guns attacked the ship underway. D/O raised alarm and crew locked all access. 1st boat attempted to board the ship using ladder and the 2nd boat fired upon the ship at bridge and accommodation. Master took evasive manoeuvres. Pirates aborted attempt at 0620 UTC	Ship sustained damages	D/O raised alarm, crew locked all access and Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes UKMTO Dubai	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
3	MARE CARIBBEAN Tanker Marshall Islands 29327 9276004	02/05/2009 05:30 LT	EAST AFRICA Off Southern Somalia, 06° 07.00' S 050° 12.00' E	A pirate mother vessel and two high speedboats were observed at a distance of 6nm from a tanker underway. Master altered course and the boats started chasing the tanker. Master raised alarm, sent distress message, increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. The boats came very close to the tanker and suddenly the 2nd boat stopped chasing the tanker, probably engine problem. The 1st boat fired upon the tanker with RPG and aborted the attack as the distance from the mother vessel increased to 20nm	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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4	MICHAEL S Bulk carrier Malta 27996 9230127	05/05/2009 04:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 09.70' N 049° 08.90' E	Six pirates in a boat chased the ship underway. They opened fire with guns and attempted to board the ship a few times but failed. Crew enforced anti-piracy measures onboard. Coalition forces informed and a helicopter was dispatched. No casualties to crew. Bridge window broken due to firing	Pirates fired at the vessel with automatic weapons. Bridge window broken	Crew alerted, took evasive manoeuvres and fired rocket flares at the pirates. Pre-enforced effective preventive measures were taken before entering the high risk area	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
5	NEVERLAND Tanker Italy 56346 9247390	05/05/2009 04:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 08.00' N 049° 09.00' E	Pirates armed with automatic weapons chased and fired upon the tanker underway. Master contacted coalition warship for assistance and took evasive manoeuvres. A helicopter arrived on scene and prevented the pirates from boarding the tanker	Pirates fired upon the tanker	Master raised alarm and took evasive manoeuvres. Crew mustered and locked all access	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
6	GRAND VICTORY Vehicle carrier Panama 59217 9334234	05/05/2009 05:30 UTC	PERSIAN GULF Off Southern Somalia, 02° 38.00' S 053° 49.00' E	Eight pirates armed with automatic guns in two boats attempted to board a vehicle carrier underway. Pirates closed in to 10 metres and attempted to board several times. Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres to prevent boarding	-	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
7	NEPHELI Tanker Panama 2512 9513361	06/05/2009 09:10 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 35.60' N 048° 59.50' E	Pirates armed with guns in a black and white speed boat chased the ship and opened fire with automatic weapons. Master took evasive manoeuvres. Attempt was aborted	Pirates opened fire on the ship	Master took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
8	OMO WONZ Ro-ro-cargo ship Ethiopia 5535 7928160	07/05/2009 06:39 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 14° 44.00' N 051° 15.00' E	Four speed boats chased the ship underway. The pirates wore masks and were armed with automatic weapons. They came as close as 500 metres to the ship. Master took evasive manoeuvres and contacted the coalition warships for assistance. 30 mins later, a helicopter flew over the location. The speed boats aborted the attempt and regrouped around a suspected mother vessel at 4 NM away. The mother vessel was towing a white colour skiff. Attempt was aborted	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition Forces	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

9	ANNY PETRAKIS Bulk carrier Malta 40170 9357767	07/05/2009 09:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 04.00' N 049° 00.00' E	Seven pirates in a boat came close to the ship underway. Pirates attempted to board by using an aluminium ladder and fired at the ship using guns and RPG. Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and informed coalition forces. When the helicopter arrived the pirates aborted the attempt. Later a coalition warship approached the vessel and advised the ship to follow her. The pirates were detained by the coalition warship	Pirates fired at the ship	Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and contacted coalition warship	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
10	SEA GIANT Tanker Liberia 51457 7924906	07/05/2009 12:20 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 12.40' N 045° 45.20' E	One blue coloured skiff with nine pirates armed with guns approached the tanker underway. They attempted to board the tanker. Master raised alarm and crew mustered. Master took evasive manoeuvres and reported to coalition warship in the vicinity. Pirates aborted the attempt at 1245 LT due to vessel's evasive manoeuvres	-	Evasive manoeuvres and fired rocket flares on the pirates	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
11	NS SPIRIT Chemical tanker Liberia 27357 9318553	10/05/2009 07:15 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 33.00' N 043° 26.00' E	Around eight pirates in two boats approached the tanker underway. Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and contacted a Russian warship in the vicinity. A helicopter was dispatched to the location. The pirates aborted the attempt and moved away	-	Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres, fired two signal rockets towards the pirate boats	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
12	SAFMARINE BANDAMA Container ship Panama 17294 9412830	12/05/2009 12:15 UTC	EAST AFRICA About 740 NM East of Mogadishu Somalia 01° 02.40' S 057° 18.10' E	Nine pirates in two boats chased and fired upon a container vessel with guns and RPG. Master took evasive manoeuvres and the pirates aborted the attempt after 45 minutes of chasing	Pirates opened with guns and RPG	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	No	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
13	AMIRA Bulk carrier Egypt 39818 9216248	13/05/2009 12:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 18.00' N 049° 18.00' E	More than six pirates in a skiff chased and fired upon the ship with automatic rifles and RPG. An orange and white coloured mother vessel was noticed around 3 NM astern of the ship. Master took evasive manoeuvres, increased speed and contacted coalition warship. A helicopter arrived at the location and the pirates aborted the attempt	Pirates opened fire with automatic rifles and RPG	Master took evasive manoeuvres and increased speed. Crew took anti-piracy preventive measures	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
14	DUBAI PRINCESS Oil tanker Marshall Islands 63294 9402469	17/05/2009 07:50 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 14° 09.00' N 051° 55.00' E	Four pirates in a boat chased and fired upon an oil tanker underway. Master raised distress call, increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. Seeing coalition warship pirates aborted the attack and moved away	Pirates fired with guns and RPG	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition Forces	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

15	NOOR Tanker Malta 156809 9079066	18/05/2009	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 46.10' N 048° 05.70' E	Pirates in two skiffs attempted to board the tanker underway. The tanker took evasive manoeuvres and contacted coalition warship for assistance. Pirates aborted the attempt and returned to mother vessel	-	Tanker took evasive manoeuvres and fired rocket flares	Yes UKMTO Dubai and coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
16	JURKALNE Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 30641 9323326	18/05/2009 23:14 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 56.00' N 048° 30.00' E	Pirates armed with automatic weapons chased and fired upon the tanker underway. Master took evasive manoeuvres and contacted warship for assistance. Pirates later aborted the attack	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master took evasive manoeuvres, increased speed, raised alarm and crew mustered	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
17	VINALINES GALAXY Chemical tanker Viet Nam 30042 9337339	19/05/2009 00:26 UTC	EAST AFRICA Off Southern Somalia, 09° 55.00' S 054° 00.00' E	Pirates in skiffs chased the tanker underway. Master took evasive manoeuvres and escaped from the pirates	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes UKMTO Dubai	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
18	SARV Tanker Malta 85462 9357377	19/05/2009 03:55 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 16.80' N 048° 59.80' E	A high-speed boat chased the tanker underway. Master altered course to increase CPA and contacted warship for assistance. The speed boat came very close, but due to Master's evasive manoeuvres, attempt was aborted	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
19	MARIA K Bulk carrier Saint Vincent and the Grenadines 21308 8029260	22/05/2009 06:00 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 13.80' N 049° 10.30' E	Nine pirates in a light blue coloured speed boat armed with automatic weapons and RPG chased and fired upon the ship underway. Master contacted coalition warships and a helicopter came to the scene. Upon seeing the helicopter, the pirates aborted the attempt. The ship resumed her voyage with the warship in attendance	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master took evasive manoeuvres and increased speed	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
20	COSTIS Bulk carrier Panama 17214 8316314	25/05/2009 00:28 LT	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 11.00' N 049° 19.90' E	Four pirates armed with automatic weapons chased the ship underway. Pirates opened fire on the ship. Master took evasive manoeuvres and contacted coalition warships for assistance. Later, pirates aborted the attempt	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warships	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
21	ANTONIS Bulk carrier Greece 25935 8126630	26/05/2009 01:30 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 05.00' N 048° 58.00' E	Two skiffs with four pirates in each, armed with automatic weapons and RPG chased the ship underway and opened fire. Crew used directed hoses and launched rocket flares. Master manoeuvred to thwart the attack delaying boarding. A coalition warship in the area prevented the pirate attack. Crew was safe and the ship continued her passage	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master and crew directed fire hoses, rocket flares and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

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22	MAUD Ore/bulk/oil Carrier Liberia 45593 9036519	28/05/2009 07:29 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 13° 01.00' N 048° 48.63' E	Pirates in a skiff approached the ship on the port quarter. Master immediately contacted the coalition warship and a helicopter was dispatched. The helicopter fired shots on to the skiff and the attempted boarding was thwarted	-	Raised alarm	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
23	LAKE GLOBE Bulk carrier Bahamas 25498 9070785	29/05/2009 10:45 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 20.00' N 046° 26.00' E	Six pirates in a speed boat armed with guns chased the ship underway. Master made zig-zag manoeuvres to prevent the pirates from boarding and contacted coalition warship for assistance	-	Master took evasive manoeuvres and crew activated fire hoses	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
24	SEA PHANTOM Chemical tanker Marshall Islands 8503 9326653	29/05/2009 10:50 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 11.90' N 046° 22.00' E	Five pirates in a blue coloured speed boat chased the tanker underway and closed to less than 1NM. Master manoeuvred towards the warship and contacted coaliton forces for assistance. Warship intercepted the speed boat	-	Crew activated fire hoses and Master manoeuvred towards the warship	Yes Coalition warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
25	BRITISH MALLARD Tanker Isle of Man (United Kingdom) 63661 9282479	31/05/2009 00:02 UTC	EAST AFRICA Gulf of Aden, 12° 59.70' N 048° 42.30' E	Armed pirates in a boat attempted to board a tanker underway. Ship raised alarm, sounded whistle, switched lights on, activated fire hoses, increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres. Pirate boat came about 2 - 3 metres off the ship's side, fired upon her and aborted the attempt. No injuries to crew	Pirates fired upon the ship	Master raised alarm, sounded ship's whistle, increased speed and took evasive and crew activated fire hoses	Yes UKMTO Dubai, MSCHOA & Coalition Warship	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
26	STOLT STRENGTH Chemical tanker Philippines 20059 9311024	31/05/2009 10:05 UTC	EAST AFRICA Red Sea, 13° 29.00' N 043° 01.00' E	Seven armed pirates in a skiff chased and fired upon the ship underway. Master increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and contacted coalition forces. Yemeni coast guard despatched their military boats and later a coalition helicopter arrived at the location. The crew was safe	Ship sustained holes from automatic gun and RPG fire	Master increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes UKMTO Dubai	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	CHITRAL General cargo ship Pakistan 12395 7822110	05/05/2009 08:30 UTC	INDIAN OCEAN Chittagong outer anchorage, Bangladesh	Robbers in a boat approached the ship and attempted to board it via anchor cable. Crew alerted and robbers aborted the attempt and escaped	-	Crew alerted	Yes Bangladesh authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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* The position given should be as accurate as possible including latitude and longitude co-ordinates or as a bearing and distance from a conspicuous landmark
NOTE: SOUTH AMERICA: (A) - Atlantic; (C) - Caribbean; (P) - Pacific

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.137 ANNEX 2 Coastal State Action Taken
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

2	PACIFIC COOPER Supply ship Singapore 1595 9281114	17/05/2009 04:35 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA 3.8 Nm East of Pulau Tenggol, Malaysia 04° 46.60' N 103° 44.20' E	Five or six robbers on board a blue coloured boat, about 6 m in length, chased the ship and a barge underway en route from Kemaman Supply Base, at Terengganu, towards an offshore location. The duty officer of the watch alerted the crew by sounding the Alarm. Shipboard fire-fighting system was activated. Robbers aborted attempt	-	Sounded the alarm and activated shipboard fire fighting system	Yes Malaysia authorities and Singapore MPA	ReCAAP	-
3	CHALLENGE PARAGON Product tanker Singapore 28051 9403310	23/05/2009 04:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Jakarta Tanker Anchorage, Indonesia 06° 00.70' S 106° 53.90' W	Two robbers using hook and rope from a small boat attempted to board the tanker at anchor. While climbing to the ship's rail the robbers saw ship's alert watch men. Robbers jumped back into the waiting boat and moved away. Nothing was stolen	-	Raised alarm	Yes Port control	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
4	MARIMBA Chemical tanker Liberia 22620 8301199	25/05/2009 20:00 UTC	WEST AFRICA Folawiyo Terminal, Nispan Jetty, Apapa Port, Lagos, Nigeria	Seven robbers in a boat approached the tanker at berth. Two of the robbers attempted to board the tanker three times in less than 12 hours. Alert crew managed to chase the robbers away every time	-	Alert crew chased away the robbers	Yes High Commission of Nigeria, Malaysia authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-

IN PORT AREA

1	MCP ROTTERDAM General cargo ship Netherlands 5272 9372004	03/05/2009 00:01 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Sandakan Port Anchorage, Malaysia	A fisherman offering fresh fish approached on the stbd side of a container ship at anchor. Meanwhile four robbers in a speedboat approached from the port side of the vessel and attempted to board. Alert crew saw the robbers and raised alarm. Robbers aborted the attempt	-	Extra security measures , additional patrol and lights	Yes Malaysia authorities	ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur	-
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