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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 29 February 2004 and 31 March 2004, 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 3,456 an increase of 51 since 29 February 2004.

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 March 2004 being MSC.4/Circ.28, MSC.4/Circ.29, MSC.4/Circ.30, MSC.4/Circ.31, MSC.4/Circ.32, MSC.4/Circ.33, MSC.4/Circ.34, MSC.4/Circ.35, MSC.4/Circ.36, MSC.4/Circ.37, MSC.4/Circ.38, MSC.4/Circ.39 MSC.4/Circ.40, MSC.4/Circ.41, MSC.4/Circ.42, MSC.4/Circ.43, MSC.4/Circ.44, MSC.4/Circ.45, MSC.4/Circ.46, MSC.4/Circ.47 and MSC.4/Circ.48.

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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1	HAMCO BINTANG Tug Indonesia 126	23/06/2003	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> On passage between Surabaya to Tg. Selor, Indonesia	Tug and barge (HAMCO MULIA, Singapore, GT 1,400) sailed from Surabaya on 18.06.2003. Last contact with tug was on 23.06.2003	Tug and barge missing	Alarm raised	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
2	LE RONG General cargo ship China 15542 9183740	30/06/2003 02:10 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 00°41'.00N 105°12'.50E Vicinity of Bintan Island	Eight pirates armed with guns and long knives boarded ship while underway. They held 2/O hostage who was taken to Master's cabin and robbed at gunpoint. Holding Master hostage, they moved to 3/O's cabin where more robbery was carried out and robbers escaped in a speedboat with their loot. Master and 2/O were seriously injured	Master and crew held hostage and seriously injured; crew's and ship's cash and personal belongings stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
3	NA Tanker	23/08/2003	<i>WEST AFRICA</i> Off Nigeria	Pirates, appearing to be uniformed officials in a marked boat boarded ship while underway and threatened to kidnap Chief Officer for a ransom. Master tried to verify their identity through the agency and port control but received no response. Another similar attempt to board ship by some persons claiming to be officials was foiled by Master who did not permit boarding because agent could not be contacted	Chief Officer threatened at gunpoint for a ransom	Raised alarm and Master made attempts to verify identity of boarders	Yes. Nigerian Police	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
4	AQUA 109 Tug Indonesia 125 8211978	05/03/2004 04:00 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 01°14'.50N 103°22'.30E Singapore Straits	Six pirates boarded tug towing a barge, while underway and escaped with crew's personal belongings in a small speedboat towards Iyu Kecil Island. Master contacted VTIS Singapore and was directed to anchor at Raffles Anchorage for investigation	Crew's cash and valuables stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. VTIS, Singapore and Guskamlabar Batam, Indonesia	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	Coast Guard, Singapore, boarded for investigation

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5	PHILINE SCHULTE Gas carrier-LPG United Kingdom (Isle of Man) 6051 9183570	21/03/2004 00:45 LT	WEST AFRICA Off Dakar	Pirates boarded ship while underway and escaped with their loot	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Port control and MRCC, Dakar	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	No response from port control
6	GELORA JAYA General cargo ship Indonesia 5010 8214190	23/03/2004 01:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA 04°02'.00S 106°38'.00E Java Sea	Six pirates armed with guns and knives boarded ship drifting for engine repairs while underway. Duty A/B was attacked and forced to take them to Master's cabin where they ransacked Master's cabin and escaped with their loot in a fast motorboat	Cash, personal belongings and property stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

IN PORT AREA

1	TEN-SHUN Yacht Belgium	23/06/2003 00:00 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Puerto Santo Bay, Sucre Port (Venezuela)	Six robbers dressed in uniforms boarded yacht while at anchor and escaped with their loot	Cash and crew's personal property stolen	Alarm raised	Yes	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
2	SETYAWATI Chemical tanker Hong Kong, China 2079 9100281	27/06/2003 23:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Zhenjiang Anchorage (China)	Five robbers boarded ship while at anchor. When spotted by duty A/B, they jumped overboard and escaped in a boat with their loot	Ship's property stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. MRCC, China	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
3	WHITE CATTLEYA 10 Chemical tanker Panama 4627 9136498	30/06/2003 07:00 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA Tg. Priok Anchorage (Indonesia)	Four robbers armed with long knives boarded ship while at anchor. They entered the pump room and when spotted and crew mustered, jumped overboard and escaped with their loot. Port authorities were informed	Ship's stores stolen	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. Port authority and SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
4	LION KING General cargo ship Trinidad & Tobago	04/07/2003 04:00 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) Golfo de Paria (Venezuela)	Robbers boarded ship while at anchor and assaulted crew members, two of whom are still missing. Incident was reported to the authorities	Two crew members still missing	Alarm raised	Yes. Port authorities	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	Venezuelan Naval authorities boarded the ship for investigation

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5	NA Boat Cuba	15/07/2003	<i>SOUTH AMERICA (C)</i> La Coloma (Cuba)	Armed robbers hijacked boat while at anchor and were unable to start the engine. When surrounded by the authorities, three of the robbers shot themselves. The captain jumped overboard and escaped	-	Alarm raised	Yes	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
6	NA General cargo ship Greece	15/07/2003 04:50 LT	<i>WEST AFRICA</i> 1.7NM from Fairway Buoy, Lagos (Nigeria)	Robbers boarded ship while at anchor and when spotted, escaped with their loot	Ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Port Authority	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
7	THOR FALCON General cargo ship Denmark 1964 9032977	25/07/2003 19:00 LT	<i>INDIAN OCEAN</i> Chittagong Port (Bangladesh)	Robbers boarded ship while at berth and when spotted, escaped with their loot. Master reported that similar incidents have been a regular occurrence since arriving Chittagong Anchorage	Ship's properties stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Coast Guard, Bangladesh	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
8	THOR FALCON General cargo ship Denmark 1964 9032977	26/07/2003 06:55 LT	<i>INDIAN OCEAN</i> Chittagong Port (Bangladesh)	Robbers armed with knives boarded ship while at berth and escaped in a small boat with their loot	Ship's properties stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Coast Guard, Bangladesh	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
9	THOR FALCON General cargo ship Denmark 1964 9032977	27/07/2003 14:30 LT	<i>INDIAN OCEAN</i> Chittagong Port (Bangladesh)	Robbers boarded ship while at berth and when spotted, escaped with their loot	Ship's properties stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Coast Guard, Bangladesh	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
10	THOR FALCON General cargo ship Denmark 1964 9032977	28/07/2003 07:35 LT	<i>INDIAN OCEAN</i> Chittagong Port (Bangladesh)	Robbers boarded ship while at berth and when spotted by alert crew, they escaped with their loot	Ship's properties stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Coast Guard, Bangladesh	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

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11	BEIRA 9 Fishing vessel Republic of Korea	31/07/2003	INDIAN OCEAN Mombasa Anchorage (Kenya)	Robbers boarded ship while at anchor and when spotted, escaped with their loot	Crew's personal belongings stolen	Alarm raised	Yes	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
12	SNOWMASS Refrigerated cargo carrier Panama 4677 8203816	20/08/2003 05:30 LT	WEST AFRICA Douala Port (Cameroon)	Four robbers boarded ship while at berth and broke open seal to No. 1 hatch. When spotted and alert crew mustered, they jumped overboard and escaped empty handed	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. Port control and MRCC, Cameroon	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
13	SOLANO Tug Panama 978 7705790	30/08/2003 02:30 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) San Pedro de Macoris (Dominican Republic)	Four robbers armed with knives boarded ship while berthed and when spotted by armed guards, they escaped	-	Raised alarm and armed guards mustered	Yes. Local agents	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
14	MYRIAD Yacht France	28/02/2004 22:15 LT	SOUTH AMERICA (C) 10°43'.00N 062°03'.40W Punta Pargo (Venezuela)	Seven robbers armed with guns boarded yacht while at anchor. They fired shots at skipper, narrowly missing him and escaped with their loot. Skipper sent MAYDAY message via VHF, activated signal flares and informed the authorities	Skipper threatened and shot; forward bulkhead and wood on the headliner and battens damaged and a dinghy stolen	Sent MAYDAY message and activated signal flares	Yes. Coast Guard, Trinidad and Venezuela	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
15	DUKHAN Chemical tanker Qatar 25408 9251286	29/02/2004 23:00 UTC	WEST AFRICA Lagos anchorage (Nigeria)	Four robbers in a speedboat boarded ship while at anchor. When spotted by duty crew, they threw bottles and metal pieces at them and escaped with their loot. No injuries reported	Duty crew assaulted and ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Nigerian Police	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

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16	ALLIPEN Bulk carrier Liberia 25537 9144055	01/03/2004 23:15 UTC	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 06°02'.00S 106°54'.00E Jakarta Roads (Indonesia)	Five robbers armed with knives boarded ship while at anchor. When spotted by duty crew, they escaped in a fast boat with their loot. Local authorities were informed	Ship's property stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Coast Guard, Port Authority and SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
17	CAPE HENRY Container ship Liberia 10376 9004217	03/03/2004 04:00 UTC	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> Tanjung Priok Anchorage, Jakarta (Indonesia)	Robbers in three boats approached the stern of ship under the pretext of doing business, while at anchor and were ordered to move away. A rescue boat engine was later discovered missing; presumably, the robbers had boarded the ship whilst crew focussed on the boats	Ship's property stolen	Raised alarm and ordered boats to move away	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
18	IRAN BORHAN General cargo ship Iran (Islamic Republic of) 9888 7360784	05/03/2004 02:15 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> Tanjung Priok Port (Indonesia)	Two robbers armed with guns and knives boarded ship while at berth and discharging cargo. Crew members were threatened and distracted enabling robbers to remove items from deck. Their accomplices mingled with stevedores and escaped with their loot	Crew assaulted and ship's stores stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
19	EVROTAS Tanker Liberia 31586 7818767	05/03/2004 21:10 LT	<i>SOUTH AMERICA (C)</i> Mamonal Inner Harbour Anchorage (Colombia)	Three robbers armed with long knives boarded ship at poop deck, while at anchor. When confronted by alert C/O and duty A/B, robbers threatened them and escaped with their loot. Coast Guard was informed	Life raft stolen	Raised alarm and crew mustered	Yes. Coast Guard and Capitania del Puerto de Cartagena	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	Coast Guard boarded within twenty minutes for investigation
20	IRAN BORHAN General cargo ship Iran (Islamic Republic of) 9888 7360784	06/03/2004 05:40 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> Tanjung Priok Port (Indonesia)	Three masked robbers armed with knives and batons boarded ship while at berth. They assaulted and injured duty officer and escaped empty-handed. Incident was the second attack in two days	Duty officer assaulted and injured	Alarm raised	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

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21	MB CARIBE Container ship Liberia 9609 8910081	11/03/2004 05:20 LT	<i>SOUTH AMERICA (C)</i> Berth No. 5, Port Guanta (Venezuela)	Robbers boarded ship while at berth, broke open six containers and escaped with their loot. Port Authority was informed	Six containers broken into and cargo stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Port Authority and Coast Guard, Venezuela	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	No assistance was received from Port Authority
22	AN HUI Tug Singapore 719 7616262	16/03/2004 00:30 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 01°14'.13N 103°34'.70E West OPL Anchorage (Singapore)	Armed robbers boarded ship while at anchor and held hostage five crew members at knife point. They were taken to Master's cabin where Master was forced to open his door, threatened and his cabin ransacked and the robbers escaped at 00:40 with their loot. Three crew members were injured during the attack	Five crew members assaulted and held hostage at knifepoint; three crew members injured and ship's property, valuables and crew member's cash stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Marine Police, SAR, Jakarta, MPA, MRCC P.Klang	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
23	VIJAYDOOT Chemical tanker India 4473 8316986	17/03/2004 02:40 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 06°01'.20S 106°54'.10E Tg. Priok Anchorage, Jakarta (Indonesia)	One robber boarded ship using a rope attached to a hook, while at anchor and when spotted, he jumped overboard and escaped. On inspection, the securing strap for lifecraft was cut	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. Port control and SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
24	DREAM WEAVER III Yacht Canada 9.2	28/03/2004 01:00 LT	<i>SOUTH AMERICA (C)</i> Polamar, Margarita (Venezuela)	Robbers boarded yacht, while at berth and escaped with a 15hp Yamaha OBM from a dinghy which was chained and locked to the dinghy dock. Two locks were cut with bolt-cutters and the engine had all decals removed. Incident was reported to local police and skipper reported that attempt was the fourth dinghy/engine theft in over one week in addition to two attempts of yacht boardings in the anchorage during the same period	An OBM from a dinghy stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Local police, Port Authority and Venezuelan Naval Headquarters	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	Details of police investigation unknown; Guadia National searched beach area and Canadian Consulate sent a letter to the Port Captain

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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	NA Ferry Nigeria	15/07/2003	Warri (Nigeria)	Robbers armed with guns boarded ferry while underway and shot dead two passengers, escaping with passengers' belongings	Two passengers shot dead and passengers' belongings stolen	Alarm raised	Yes	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
2	THOR FALCON General cargo ship Denmark 1964 9032977	29/07/2003 07:45 LT	INDIAN OCEAN Chittagong Port (Bangladesh)	Robbers boarded ship while at berth and when spotted, escaped with their loot	Ship's properties stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Coast Guard, Bangladesh	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
3	2206 QNG Fishing vessel Viet Nam	12/08/2003 02:30 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA 04°50'.00N 108°02'.00E Vicinity of Natuna Island (Indonesia)	Robbers armed with guns boarded ship while underway and shot dead Master, escaping with their loot	Master shot dead and ship's properties stolen	Raised alarm and increased speed	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
4	YAYASAN TUJUH General cargo ship Malaysia 5106 8211588	17/03/2004 03:00 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA 02°18'.50S 140°38'.50E Off Jayapura, Irian Jaya (Indonesia)	Allegedly an Indonesian Navy patrol boat (Kal Youtefa, Kal-I-502) intercepted ship while underway and fired at ship ordering her to stop. Master and 3/O were ordered onboard patrol boat for cargo document inspection and were assaulted and held hostage requesting a ransom of USD5,000. Master negotiated ransom to USD2,500 in addition to provisions. 3/O was held until Master handed over ransom. Incident was reported immediately to the Indonesian Authorities and a response is being awaited	Master and 3/O held hostage and assaulted; ransom paid plus provisions	Alarm raised	Yes. SAR, Jakarta and Indonesian Naval Headquarters	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
5	MCT ALMAK Chemical tanker Liberia 12358 9173109	23/03/2004 10:13 UTC	WEST AFRICA Warri River (Nigeria)	Armed robbers in six boats ordered ship to anchor and boarded, while underway. They forced crew to pump gasoline into their barge and released ship after she had pumped about 650MT of cargo. No injuries to crew reported	650MT of gasoline stolen	Alarm raised	Yes. Agents and Nigerian Navy	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	Patrol boat escorted ship into harbour

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6	WHITE CATTLEYA 10 Chemical tanker Panama 4627 9136498	30/03/2004 21:20 UTC	SOUTH CHINA SEA 02°58'.00S 106°58'.30E Selat Leplia (Indonesia)	Two robbers in a speedboat and armed with guns and long knives boarded the ship, while underway. They forced open the wheelhouse STBD sliding door and when spotted by alert duty A/B, they escaped empty handed	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. SAR, Jakarta and Indonesian Navy	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
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1	NA Boat Philippines	26/06/2003	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 780km from Manila	Pirates fired at patrol boat chasing them and three casualties resulted from the incident	Three military men killed	Alarm raised	Yes. MRCC Port Klang, SAR, Jakarta, Malaysian Navy and Marine Police Headquarters	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
2	NA Fishing vessel Malaysia	05/09/2003 20:30 LT	<i>MALACCA STRAIT</i> Pulau Jarak, Off Lumut	A group of pirates armed with automatic weapons fired more than 100 shots at ship attempting to board, while underway. Fishing vessels at the scene fled the area. No injuries reported and incident was reported to the police	-	Alarm raised	Yes. Police	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
3	BOW MERKUR Chemical tanker Norway (NIS) 17561 7384792	29/02/2004 06:25 UTC	<i>ARABIAN SEA</i> 24°43'.60N 061°55'.00E North Arabian Sea	Four pirates in two speedboats attempted to board ship while underway. When spotted and crew mustered, they abandoned attempt	-	Raised alarm, mustered crew and activated fire hoses	Yes. Ministry of Communication, Pakistan	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
4	GULF DISCOVERY Tanker Panama 50746 7826817	02/03/2004 03:15 LT	<i>INDIAN OCEAN</i> 21°33'.75N 091°35'.50E East of Maikhal Island, Bay of Bengal	Pirates in two wooden boats with a long rope tied between boats, waited in the path of ship, while underway. As ship went through, boats drew alongside and they attempted to board ship, using a rope attached to a hook. When spotted by alert crew who initiated anti-piracy measures, they abandoned attempt	-	Raised alarm, mustered crew, switched on deck lights and activated fire hoses	Yes. Coast Guard and Focal Point, Bangladesh	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
5	LAVENDER PASSAGE Gas carrier-LPG Panama 44549 9127033	05/03/2004 14:30 UTC	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 01°48'.00S 108°04'.00E	Pirates in an unlit boat approached ship at port beam and came within twenty meters, attempting to board, while underway. When spotted and crew mustered and switched or all lights, sounded fog horn and directed search lights, they abandoned attempt and escaped	-	Raised alarm and initiated anti-piracy measures	Yes. RCC and SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
6	LINSA Tanker Singapore 999 8502860	13/03/2004 16:20 LT	<i>MALACCA STRAIT</i> 04°51'.20N 098°19'.50E Malacca Straits	Eight pirates armed with machine guns in a fishing boat approached ship attempting to board, while underway. As ship increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres, pirates fired at it, causing damage to ship and abandoned attempt after about fifteen minutes	Ship under fire causing damage to navigation light, panel, accommodation and lifeboat STBD side	Raised alarm and mustered crew; C/O increased speed and took evasive manoeuvres	Yes. MPA, Singapore and SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

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IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS

7	GELORA JAYA General cargo ship Indonesia 5010 8214190	26/03/2004 10:00 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> 01°39'.00S 104°50'.00E About 34 miles off Selat Berhala	Six pirates in a grey-coloured fishing-type vessel without fishing gear or identification marks, attempted to board ship, while underway. When spotted and crew mustered, they abandoned attempt	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
8	PRAIRIE SKY Bulk carrier Panama 25463 9073983	27/03/2004 10:40 UTC	<i>MALACCA STRAIT</i> 05°42'.80N 097°49'.00E Malacca Straits	A supply boat ordered ship to stop while underway and as ship ignored the order, boat gave chase and fired at poop deck and bridge wing in an attempt to force the ship to stop. Master contacted the boat's crew and was informed it was a military boat. Firing stopped after a while and boat moved away	Shots fired at the ship	Raised alarm and Master exchanged communication with the boat via Ch/16	Yes. SAR, Jakarta and Indonesian Navy	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
9	DUDEN Bulk carrier Turkey 16211 8005226	28/03/2004 19:00 LT	<i>MALACCA STRAIT</i> 03°03'.00N 100°47'.00E Off One Fathom Bank	Three speedboats with about four armed robbers in each boat approached ship while underway, attempting to board. When spotted by alert crew, they abandoned attempt	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. MECC Lumut, MRCC Port Klang, MINDEF DOR & Laut, Marine Police Headquarters and SAR Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

IN PORT AREA

1	ORAPIN 3 Tanker Thailand 2951 8126094	30/06/2003 22:30 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> Belawan Anchorage (Indonesia)	About five robbers in a small fishing boat attempted to board ship while at anchor. When spotted by duty A/B and crew mustered, they abandoned attempt and moved away from the area	-	Raised alarm and crew mustered	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
2	APL ALMANDINE Container ship Singapore 49716 9015498	05/08/2003 23:15 LT	<i>SOUTH AMERICA (C)</i> Cristobal Outer Anchorage (Panama)	Several robbers in a boat approached ship attempting to board while at anchor. When spotted and crew mustered, they abandoned attempt	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. Canal authorities	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
3	CANNA Tanker Panama 22602 8313116	24/03/2004 05:05 LT	<i>SOUTH CHINA SEA</i> Balikpapan Anchorage (Indonesia)	Four robbers in a boat attempted to board ship while at anchor. Two of the robbers began climbing anchor chain whilst the remaining two waited in boat. When spotted by alert crew, they abandoned attempt and escaped	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. SAR, Jakarta	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-

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Nº	Ship's name Type of ship Flag Gross tonnage IMO No.	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. 49 ANNEX 2 Page 3
									Action by the coastal State
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IN PORT AREA

4	GENMAR HARRIET Tanker Liberia 78956 8802430	29/03/2004 03:30 UTC	WEST AFRICA 06°12'.90N 003°20'.40E Lagos Anchorage (Nigeria)	Three robbers in a boat attempted to board ship while at anchor. When spotted and crew mustered, they abandoned attempt and fled	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew	Yes. Nigerian Police	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
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IN TERRITORIAL WATERS

1	NA Bulk carrier Panama	29/06/2003 03:45 LT	SOUTH CHINA SEA 01°03'.80N 104°55'.20E Vicinity of Bintan Island (Indonesia)	Seven robbers in a speedboat armed with guns and knives approached ship attempting to board, while at anchor. When spotted by alert crew, they abandoned attempt	-	Alarm raised	Yes	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	-
2	VEGA LEADER Vehicle carrier Panama 51496 9213818	28/03/2004 00:48 LT	MALACCA STRAIT 02°37'.40N 101°27'.70E Malacca Straits	Robbers in an unlit boat attempted to board ship while underway. When spotted and crew mustered and directed searchlights at them, they abandoned attempt	-	Raised alarm and mustered crew, switched on lights and directed searchlights at the boat	Yes. VTIS Klang on VHF Ch.88, MRCC P.Klang, MRCC Lumut, MINDEF (DOR & LAUT) and Marine Police	ICC-IMB PRC Kuala Lumpur	VTIS Klang advised to keep anti-piracy watch

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