### Piracy monthly report for May 2018

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

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<td><strong>1</strong> ERIK SPIRIT</td>
<td>Oil tanker</td>
<td>Bahamas 62929</td>
<td>62929</td>
<td>9292515</td>
<td>05/05/2018</td>
<td>08:00 UTC</td>
<td>SOUTH CHINA SEA Around 12nm NNE of Tanjung Berakit, Bintan Island, Indonesia 01° 27.40’ N 104° 36.30’ E</td>
<td>Unnoticed, robbers boarded an anchored tanker, stole ship’s properties and escaped. The theft was noticed during routine emergency drill.</td>
<td>Ship’s property stolen</td>
<td>A search has been carried out.</td>
<td>Yes Indonesia</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td><strong>2</strong> KIRANA SANTYA</td>
<td>Product tanker</td>
<td>Singapore 13201</td>
<td>13201</td>
<td>9667277</td>
<td>16/05/2018</td>
<td>03:45 LT</td>
<td>SOUTH CHINA SEA Tanjung Uban Anchorage, Indonesia 01° 06.25’ N 104° 11.17’ E</td>
<td>While at anchor, the master reported that a set of breathing apparatus (BA) compressor was found missing and the padlock was broken. Subsequent investigation and review of the footage from CCTV revealed the presence of two robbers at the poop deck. About 10 minutes later, a wooden boat appeared passing near the poop deck from stern. Another three robbers climbed up the ship from starboard side. The perpetrators were believed to have gained access to the ship unnoticed by the duty officer and A/B. The crew was not injured.</td>
<td>The crew was not injured. A set of breathing apparatus (BA) compressor was stolen. A padlock was broken.</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Yes Singapore</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur.</td>
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<td><strong>3</strong> FRONT ULL</td>
<td>Tanker</td>
<td>Marshall Islands 81670</td>
<td>81670</td>
<td>9600932</td>
<td>19/05/2018</td>
<td>02:01 LT</td>
<td>MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 2.5 nm east-northeast of Pulau Karimun Keil, Indonesia (SOMS) Indonesia 01° 10.00’ N 103° 27.00’ E</td>
<td>While underway, six robbers boarded the tanker. The duty engineer noticed the robbers, informed the master who raised the alarm. Seeing that the crew had been alerted, the robbers escaped empty-handed.</td>
<td>The crew was not injured. No items were stolen.</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore)</td>
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<td><strong>4</strong> BUDGET 19</td>
<td>Tug</td>
<td>Malaysia 140</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>9515369</td>
<td>19/05/2018</td>
<td>15:00 LT</td>
<td>MALACCA STRAIT Approximately 4.65 nm southeast of Tanjung Piai, Southern Johor, Malaysia Malaysia 01° 12.29’ N 103° 34.12’ E</td>
<td>While the tug boat towing a barge was underway, a few small craft were seen alongside the unmanned barge. Robbers in six boats boarded the unmanned barge under tow. They stole the barge cargo of scrap metal and escaped. Some scrap metal was found stolen from the barge. The crew was not injured. Incident reported to the Singapore Marine Police.</td>
<td>The crew was not injured. Some scrap metal was found stolen from the barge.</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Yes Singapore Vessel Traffic Management</td>
<td>ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), IMBKL</td>
<td>Singapore Focal Point initiated navigational broadcast and requested ships to keep a lookout for small craft in the vicinity. The Republic of Singapore Navy, Singapore Police Coast Guard, Malaysian and Indonesian authorities</td>
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5 CLOVER COLOSSUS
Bulk carrier
Singapore
31545
9746758
20/05/2018 02:30 LT
SOUTH CHINA SEA
Malak Anchorage, Indonesia
Indonesia
05° 52.30’ S 106° 04.80’ E
While at anchor, three robbers armed with knives boarded the ship by climbing up the portside poop deck using a hook and rope. The duty A/B spotted the robbers who were approaching him from starboard aft of cargo hold 5. The robbers threatened the duty A/B with a knife when he tried to use his handheld radio to call for assistance. While the duty A/B was being held by one of the robbers, the other two robbers entered the accommodation area. Some minutes later, the three robbers jumped into a waiting boat and escaped. Some engine spare parts were stolen.
The duty A/B was threatened with knife by the robbers. Some engine spare parts were stolen.
Enhanced deck watchkeeping was implemented after the incident.
Yes
Singapore
ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore), ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur.

6 SEABREEZE
Product tanker
Malta
31433
9343986
25/05/2018 23:35 UTC
WEST AFRICA
Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria
Nigeria
06° 18.00’ N 003° 20.20’ E
Two robbers in a small boat approached and boarded an anchored tanker conducting STS operations. Duty watchman noticed the robbers near the forward cargo oil tanks with a hose and raised the alarm. OOW immediately sounded the ship’s horn and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers aborted their attempt to steal cargo and escaped. The Nigerian Navy boat patrolling the anchorage was notified. Nothing reported stolen.
Alarm raised and crew mustered
Yes
Port Authority
ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, PRC relayed message to Nigeria Navy HQ, MRCC Lagos & NIMASA.

IN PORT AREA

1 NAME WITHHELD
Supply ship
Singapore
3585
03/05/2018 00:30 UTC
WEST AFRICA
Takoradi Anchorage, Ghana
Ghana
04° 54.00’ N 001° 42.00’ W
Two robbers boarded a supply ship. The duty watchman noticed the robbers and raised the alarm, resulting in the robbers escaping. The crew noticed that the padlock on the paint locker was broken but nothing was stolen. Port Control informed.
Alarm raised.
Yes
Ghana Navy HQ
ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP via ReCAAP focal point (Japan).

2 NORD SEOUL
Bulk carrier
Singapore
22683
9544736
05/05/2018 05:30
SOUTH AMERICA (P)
Callao Anchorage, Peru
Peru
12° 01.40’ S 077° 10.70’ W
Three robbers in a wooden boat with an outboard engine approached and boarded an anchored ship using a hook attached to a rope. Duty lookout noticed the robbers, raised the alarm and crew mustered. OOW sounded the ship’s whistle and notified the Port Authorities. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped with stolen ship’s stores.
Ship’s stores stolen
Alarm raised, sounded ship’s whistle and crew mustered
Yes
Port Authority
ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur

3 WANGARATTA
Bulk carrier
Panama
43012
9461166
18/05/2018 19:35 UTC
INDIAN OCEAN
Tarahan Anchorage, Indonesia
Indonesia
05° 32.00’ S 105° 18.80’ E
While at anchor, five robbers armed with knives boarded the ship using a rope. They held the duty AB hostage, tied him and threatened him with knives. The robbers stole the ship’s properties, damaged the door to the engine room, stole engine spares and escaped. The AB managed to free himself and raise the alarm. The OOW sounded the ship’s horn and mustered the crew. A search was conducted on board the ship.
The duty AB was held hostage, tied and threatened with knives. He was not injured. The door to the engine room was damaged, and the ship’s properties and engine spares were stolen.
The AB raised the alarm, and the OOW sounded the ship’s horn and mustered the crew.
No
ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, ReCAAP ISC via ReCAAP Focal Point (Japan) and ReCAAP Focal Point (Singapore).
4 MAERSK TANGIER  
Product tanker  
Singapore  
29445  
9726451  
23/05/2018 23:10 UTC  
WEST AFRICA  
Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria  
06° 15.90’ N  
003° 12.20’ E  
While at anchor, a robber was sighted on deck and the crew raised the alarm. The robber jumped overboard immediately and escaped in a waiting skiff, with another robber on board. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen.  
The crew was not injured.  
Alarm raised.  
No  
ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre  
Kuala Lumpur  
ReCAAP ISC via  
ReCAAP Focal Point  
(United Kingdom)  

5 GRANDE CONGO  
Ro-ro-cargo ship  
Italy  
47658  
9437921  
26/05/2018 01:15 UTC  
WEST AFRICA  
Lagos Port, Nigeria  
Nigeria  
Seven robbers boarded the berthed ship. They took hostage the duty crew, tied him up, took his UHF radio and asked for the location of the paint store and then stole ship’s stores. The duty crew managed to free himself and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers escaping. A search was carried out. PFSO and local agents informed.  
Ship’s stores stolen.  
Alarm raised and crew mustered.  
No  
ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre  
Kuala Lumpur. PRC relayed message to  
Nigeria Navy HQ, MRCC Lagos & NIMASA  

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<td>1</td>
<td>ELENI M</td>
<td>Bulk carrier</td>
<td>Malta</td>
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<td>28718</td>
<td>08/05/2018</td>
<td>09:20 UTC</td>
<td>WEST AFRICA Around 41nm South of Brass, Nigeria</td>
<td>Six pirates in a speed boat approached and came alongside the ship while underway. They hocked a ladder on the ship’s railing and attempted to board. Master raised the alarm, activated SSAS, increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. Due to the hardening measures taken by the Master, the pirates aborted the attempted attack and moved away leaving their ladder hanging on the ship’s side.</td>
<td>Pirates hooked a ladder on the ship’s railing and attempted to board.</td>
<td>Master raised the alarm, activated SSAS, increased speed, took evasive manoeuvres and non-essential crew mustered in the citadel.</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>NAME WITHHELD</td>
<td>Fishing vessel</td>
<td>Malaysia</td>
<td>9228033</td>
<td>21/05/2018</td>
<td>22:55 UTC</td>
<td>WEST AFRICA Approximately 140nm South of Lome, Togo Togo</td>
<td>An attempt was made by one individual to board a Merchant Vessel. The attempt was thwarted by a crew member and the intruder fled in a skiff with a further six persons on board. Vessel and crew are safe.</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>A crew member prevented the boarding.</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur, MDAT-GoG</td>
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<td>Malaysia</td>
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<td>08/05/2018</td>
<td>18:00 UTC</td>
<td>SOUTH CHINA SEA Felda Sahabat, Sabah, Malaysia</td>
<td>Armed persons in a boat approached a group of fishing vessels at high speed. A Malaysian Marine Police boat in the vicinity noticed the approach and chased the boat resulting in the persons firing upon the Marine Police boat. In the ensuing exchange of fire four armed persons were killed. The Malaysian Marine Police indicated the intentions of the armed persons was to kidnap the fishermen for ransom.</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur received the incident details from Esscom Sabah, Malaysia. The Malaysian Marine Police boat exchanged fire with the armed persons resulting in four armed persons were killed.</td>
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<td>NAME WITHHELD</td>
<td>Bulk carrier</td>
<td>Marshall Islands</td>
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<td>25/05/2018</td>
<td>23:35 UTC</td>
<td>WEST AFRICA Lagos Nigeria</td>
<td>An attempt was made to board an MV. Alarm was sounded. The 2 people on board jumped off the vessel into a skiff. Vessel and crew are safe.</td>
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<td>Alarm raised</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>MDAT-GoG</td>
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<td>Marshall Islands</td>
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<td>26/05/2018</td>
<td>21:15 UTC</td>
<td>SOUTH CHINA SEA Around 9nm SE of Bontang, Indonesia</td>
<td>Duty AB on routine rounds on board an anchored ship noticed robbers attempting to board the ship via the hawse pipe. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers aborted their attempt and retreated to their boat.</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Alarm raised and crew mustered</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Port Authority</td>
<td>Indonesia ICC-IMB Piracy Reporting Centre Kuala Lumpur relayed message to Bakamla, Indonesia Marine Police HQ &amp; Indonesia Navy HQ</td>
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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
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<td>VELA OCEAN</td>
<td>INDIAN OCEAN, Chittagong Alpha Anchorage, Bangladesh</td>
<td>06/05/2018 15:25 UTC</td>
<td>Seven robbers attempted to board the ship using a rope attached to a hook. Duty crew noticed the robbers, raised the alarm and alerted the security watchmen who notified the local authorities. Seeing the alerted crew the robbers aborted the attempted boarding and moved away.</td>
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<td>BALTIC SCORPION</td>
<td>SOUTH CHINA SEA, Muara Berau Anchorage, Samarinda, Indonesia</td>
<td>06/05/2018 15:30 UTC</td>
<td>Duty AB on routine rounds on board an anchored ship heard noise coming from the hawse pipe and sighted somebody trying to remove the hawse pipe protection cover. OOW immediately informed, alarm raised and ship’s whistle sounded. Upon hearing the alarm, the robbers aborted their attempted boarding and escaped. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. Nothing reported stolen.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>MOUNT TRAVERS</td>
<td>WEST AFRICA, Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria</td>
<td>19/05/2018 02:02 UTC</td>
<td>Seven robbers attempted to board an anchored ship using a rope attached to a hook. Duty crew noticed the robbers, raised the alarm and alerted the security watchmen who notified the local authorities. Seeing the alerted crew the robbers aborted the attempted boarding and moved away.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>JAG PUNIT</td>
<td>SOUTH AMERICA (P), Puerto Jose Anchorage, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)</td>
<td>23/05/2018 07:00 UTC</td>
<td>A white skiff with three robbers on board came alongside an anchored tanker. They tried to board the tanker via the poop deck. Duty crew spotted the robbers and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers aborting the attempted boarding and moving away.</td>
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<td>NAME WITHHELD</td>
<td>WEST AFRICA, Lagos Anchorage, Nigeria</td>
<td>23/05/2018 23:01 UTC</td>
<td>MV reported an attempted boarding in (Lagos anchorage). Intruder was sighted on deck, crew raised alarm and the intruder jumped overboard and escaped in a skiff. Crew and ship are safe.</td>
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