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REPORTS ON STOWAWAY INCIDENTS

Annual statistics for the year 2006

- 1 The Facilitation Committee, at its twenty-seventh session (6 to 10 September 1999), instructed the Secretariat to issue a statistical analysis of the reports received for each calendar year on an annual basis (FAL 27/19, paragraphs 10.9 and 10.10).
- 2 The statistics set out at annex contain the additional reports received since the issue of FAL.2/Circ.99, and which will be included in the next circular to be issued at the end of April 2007.
- 3 Set out in the annex are the statistics for the period from January to December 2006, prepared on the basis of 244 stowaway incidents as reported to the Organization, as received up to 31 December 2006, involving 657 stowaways in total.
- 4 In preparing the circular, the Secretariat noted that, for some of the items listed, including the location of stowaways when found on board ships and the main categories of reasons why disembarkation was not effected, the information collected was not sufficient to analyse in a detailed manner.
- 5 From the information received and used for the analysis, it emerged that in most cases stowaways were found in car decks (20 incidents), in containers (14 incidents), cargo holds (6 incidents), in rudder trunks (5 incidents), engine rooms (2 incidents) in lifeboats (1 incident), in cargo terminals (1 incident), in ventilation room (1 incident) and in a storage area (1 incident). In 193 reports, as received, the location was not provided.
- 6 From the statistics as given it has emerged that 153 stowaways travelled from countries from the Mediterranean, the Black Sea and the North Sea region; 104 from West African countries; 22 from the Far East, South China Sea and the Malacca Strait; 16 from North, South America and the Caribbean region and 8 from the Indian Ocean and East Africa. 354 reported cases did not provide any information regarding the places of embarkation.
- 7 It also appears, from the information reported, that 1 stowaway died, 1 was hospitalized, 7 escaped, 10 were arrested and in 165 incidents reported, the stowaways were repatriated.

ANNEX
PLACES OF EMBARKATION

Place of embarkation		2006							
		Number of stowaways	% of total	Stowaways in a port of a contracting Party	% of total	Without Short-ferry incidents	% of total	Stowaways in a port of a Contracting Party	% of total
Algiers	Algeria	43	6.5	43	17.4	43	16.4	43	19.2
Skikda,	Algeria	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4	1	0.4
Oostende	Belgium	23	3.5	23	9.3	4	1.5	23	10.3
Zeebrugge	Belgium	16	2.4	16	6.5	16	6.1	16	7.1
Douala	Cameroon	4	0.6	4	1.6	4	1.5	4	1.8
San Antonio	Chile	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4		
Shanghai	China, People Rep.	22	3.3	22	8.9		0.0		
Buenaventura	Colombia	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Santa Marta	Colombia	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Turbo	Colombia	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Matadi	Congo, Dem. Rep.	7	1.1			7	2.7		
Moin	Costa Rica	1	0.2			1	0.4		
Abidjan	Côte d'Ivoire	8	1.2	8	3.2	8	3.1	8	3.6
Djibouti	Djibouti	2	0.3			2	0.8		
Rio Haina	Dominican Republic	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4	1	0.4
Takoradi	Ghana	3	0.5	3	1.2	3	1.1	3	1.3
Tema	Ghana	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4	1	0.4
	Greece	91	13.9	91	36.8	91	34.7	91	40.6
Conakry	Guinea	3	0.5	3	1.2	3	1.1	3	1.3
Patras	Italy	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4	1	0.4
Casablanca	Morocco	11	1.7			11	4.2		
Nador	Morocco	2	0.3			2	0.8		
Safi	Morocco	4	0.6			4	1.5		
Lagos	Nigeria	7	1.1	7	2.8	7	2.7	7	3.1
Onne	Nigeria	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Panama Canal	Panama	7	1.1			7	2.7		0.0
Lisbon	Portugal	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Dakar	Senegal	6	0.9	6	2.4	6	2.3	6	2.7
Cape Town	South Africa	2	0.3			2	0.8		
Durban	South Africa	4	0.6			4	1.5		
Richards Bay	South Africa	2	0.3			2	0.8		
Gothenburg	Sweden	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4	1	0.4
Lattakia	Syrian Arab Republic	1	0.2	1	0.4	1	0.4	1	0.4
Rades	Tunisia	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Istanbul	Turkey	14	2.1			14	5.3		
Ipswich	United Kingdom	2	0.3	2	0.8	2	0.8	2	0.9
Unknown	Unknown	354	53.9				0.0		
Totals and %		657	100.0	247	100.0	262	100.0	224	100.0

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REPORTED NATIONALITY OF STOWAWAYS

Nationality	Number	% of total	National of a Contracting Party	% of total
Afghan	204	31.1		
Albanian	52	7.9	52	16.8
Algerian	47	7.2	47	15.2
Burundian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Cameroonian	4	0.6	4	1.3
Chadian	1	0.2		
Colombian	9	1.4	9	2.9
Congolese	4	0.6	4	1.3
Costa Rican	1	0.2		
Chinese	22	3.3	22	7.1
Croatian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Cuban	2	0.3	2	0.6
Ethiopian	2	0.3		
Georgian	2	0.3	2	0.6
Ghanaian	9	1.4	9	2.9
Guinean	2	0.3	2	0.6
Indian	13	2.0	13	4.2
Iranian	20	3.0	20	6.5
Iraqi	60	9.1	60	19.4
Ivorian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Kenyan	1	0.2	1	0.3
Latvian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Lebanese	1	0.2	1	0.3
Liberian	10	1.5	10	3.2
Lybian	3	0.5	3	1.0
Macedonian	4	0.6		
Malian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Mauritanian	2	0.3		
Moldovian	21	3.2		
Moroccan	32	4.9		
Nigerian	3	0.5	3	1.0
(of) Bangladesh	10	1.5	10	3.2
(of) Myanmar	1	0.2		
Pakistani	14	2.1		
Palestinian	15	2.3		
Peruvian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Romanian	5	0.8	5	1.6
Russian	3	0.5	3	1.0
Sierra Leonean	1	0.2		
Senegale	1	0.2	1	0.3
Serbian	2	0.3	2	0.6
Slovenian	1	0.2	1	0.3
Somali	10	1.5		
South African	2	0.3		
Sudanese	6	0.9		
Tanzanian	4	0.6		
Togolese	1	0.2		
Tunisian	10	1.5	10	3.2
Turkish	18	2.7		
Ukranian	3	0.5	3	1.0
Yemeni	5	0.8	5	1.6
Unknown	8	1.2		
Totals and %	657	100.0	310	100.0

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PLACES OF ATTEMPTED DISEMBARKATION

Port of attempted disembarkation	Country of Attempted disembarkation	2006
		Number of cases
Annabah	Algeria	1
Freeport	Bahamas	1
Antwerp	Belgium	1
Oostende	Belgium	2
Zeebrugge	Belgium	1
Moin	Costa Rica	1
Abidjan	Côte d'Ivoire	1
Cagliari	Italy	1
Venice	Italy	54
La Spezia	Italy	3
Livorno	Italy	1
Nordenhom	Netherlands	1
Rotterdam	Netherlands	1
Port Reunion	Reunion Island (French territory)	1
Hull	United Kingdom	1
Purfleet	United Kingdom	1
Ramsgate	United Kingdom	14
	No attempts	158
Total		244

244 stowaway cases were reported to IMO in 2006.
There were 86 attempts of disembarkation and 158 cases with no attempt of disembarkation.

	2006
Flag	Number of cases
Antigua and Barbuda	3
Bahamas	10
Croatia	1
Cyprus	16
Denmark	8
Greece	158
Hong Kong, China	1
Liberia	19
Malta	2
Marshall Islands	1
Morocco	4
Netherlands	1
Norway	3
Panama	5
Portugal	1
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	3
Sweden	3
Turkey	2
United Kingdom	2
United Kingdom (Gibraltar)	1
Total	244

TYPE OF SHIP

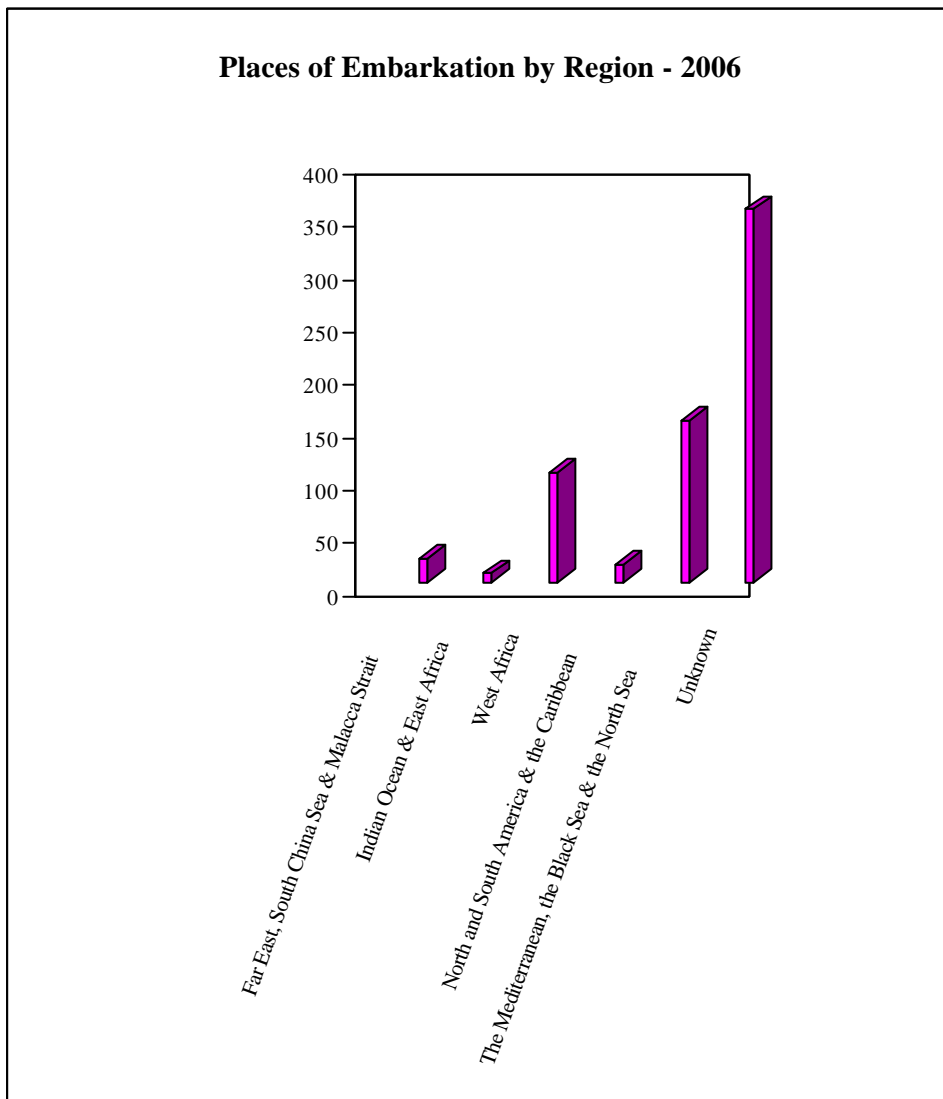
	2006
	Number of cases
Bulk carrier	3
Chemical tanker	2
Oil Tanker	4
Refrigerated cargo ship	4
General cargo ship	17
Container ship	27
Ferry	23
Ro-ro cargo ship	164
Total	244

DURATION OF EMBARKATION

	2006
	Number of cases
Same day disembarkation	13
1 to 5 days on board	22
6 to 10 days on board	8
11 to 15 days on board	8
16 to 20 days on board	5
21 to 25 days on board	1
26 to 30 days on board	2
31 to 35 days on board	2
36 to 50 days on board	1
51 to 100 days on board	0
100 to 150 days on board	0
<i>Unknown</i>	<i>182</i>
Total	244

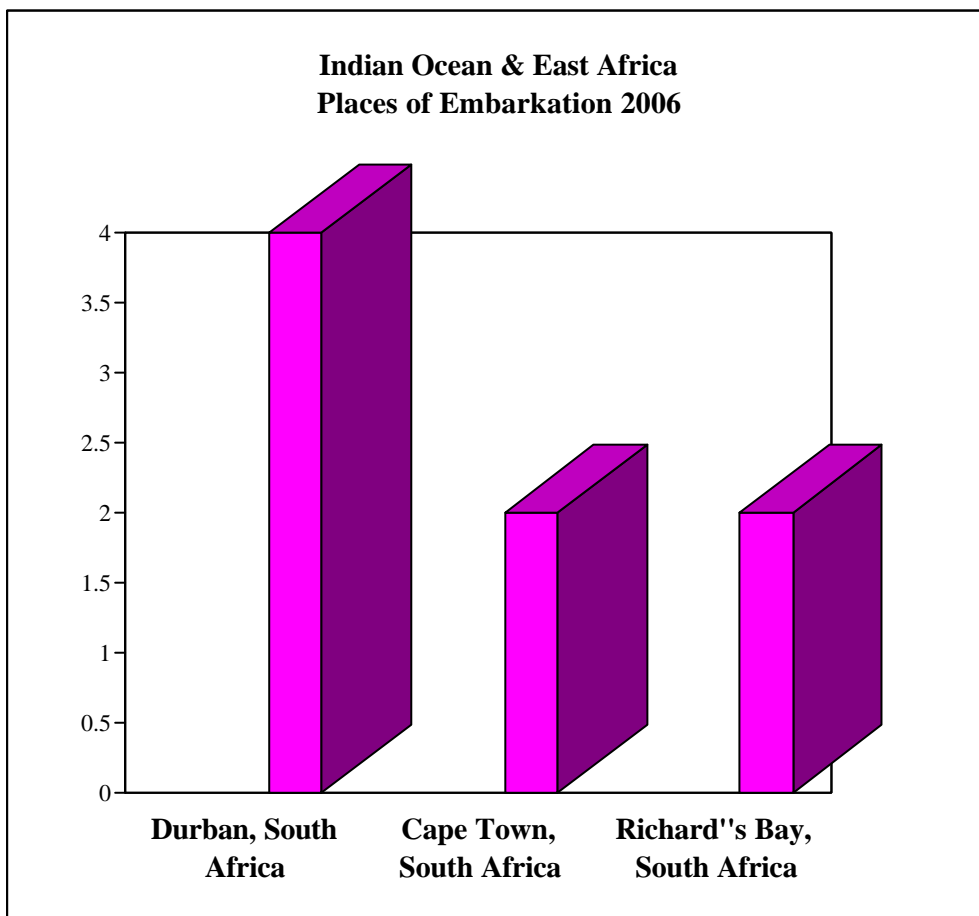
SUMMARY OF PLACES OF EMBARKATION BY REGION - 2006

	Number of Stowaways	% Total
Far East, South China Sea & Malacca Strait	22	3.34855
Indian Ocean & East Africa	8	1.21766
West Africa	104	15.8295
North and South America & the Caribbean	16	2.43531
The Mediterranean, the Black Sea & the North Sea	153	23.2877
<i>Unknown</i>	354	53.8813
Total	657	100



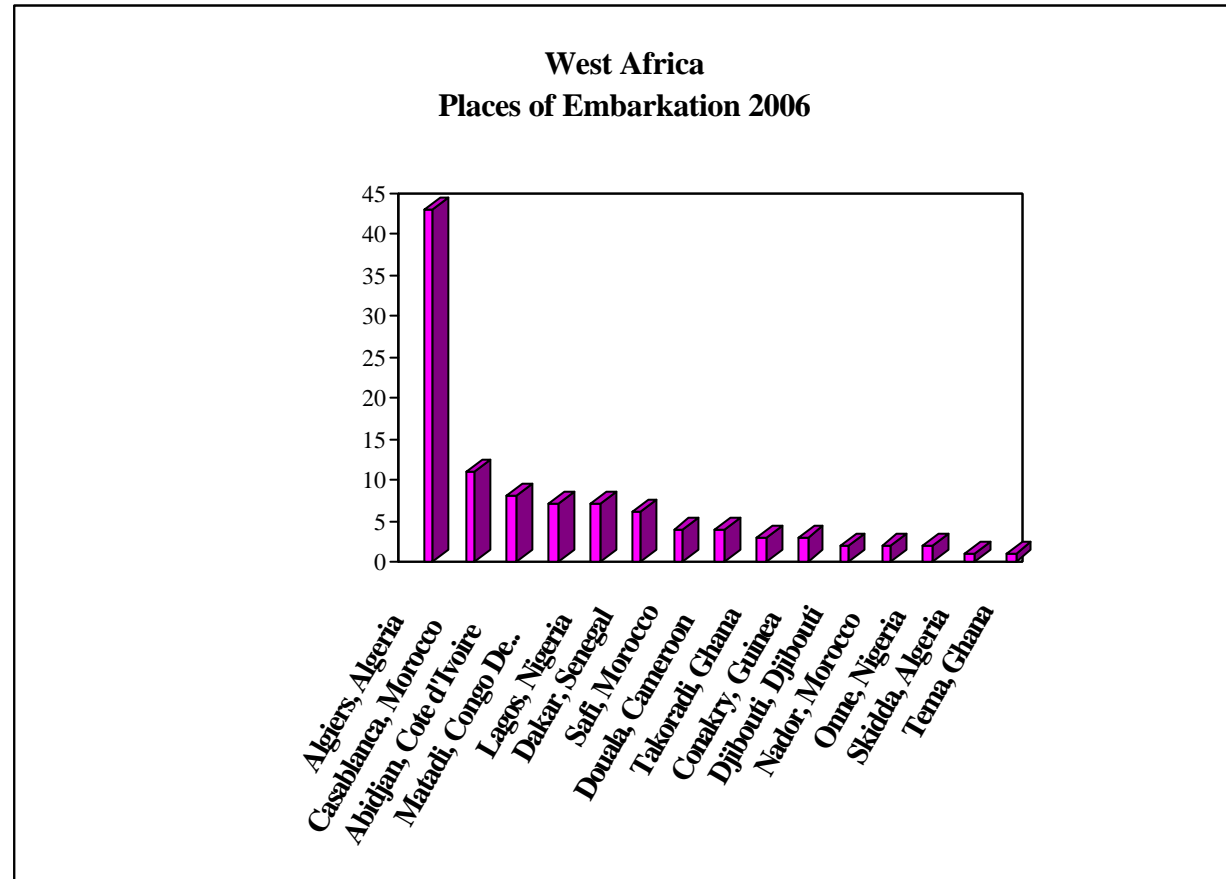
**Places of Embarkation - 2006
Indian Ocean & East Africa**

Durban, South Africa	4
Cape Town, South Africa	2
Richard's Bay, South Africa	2
Total	8



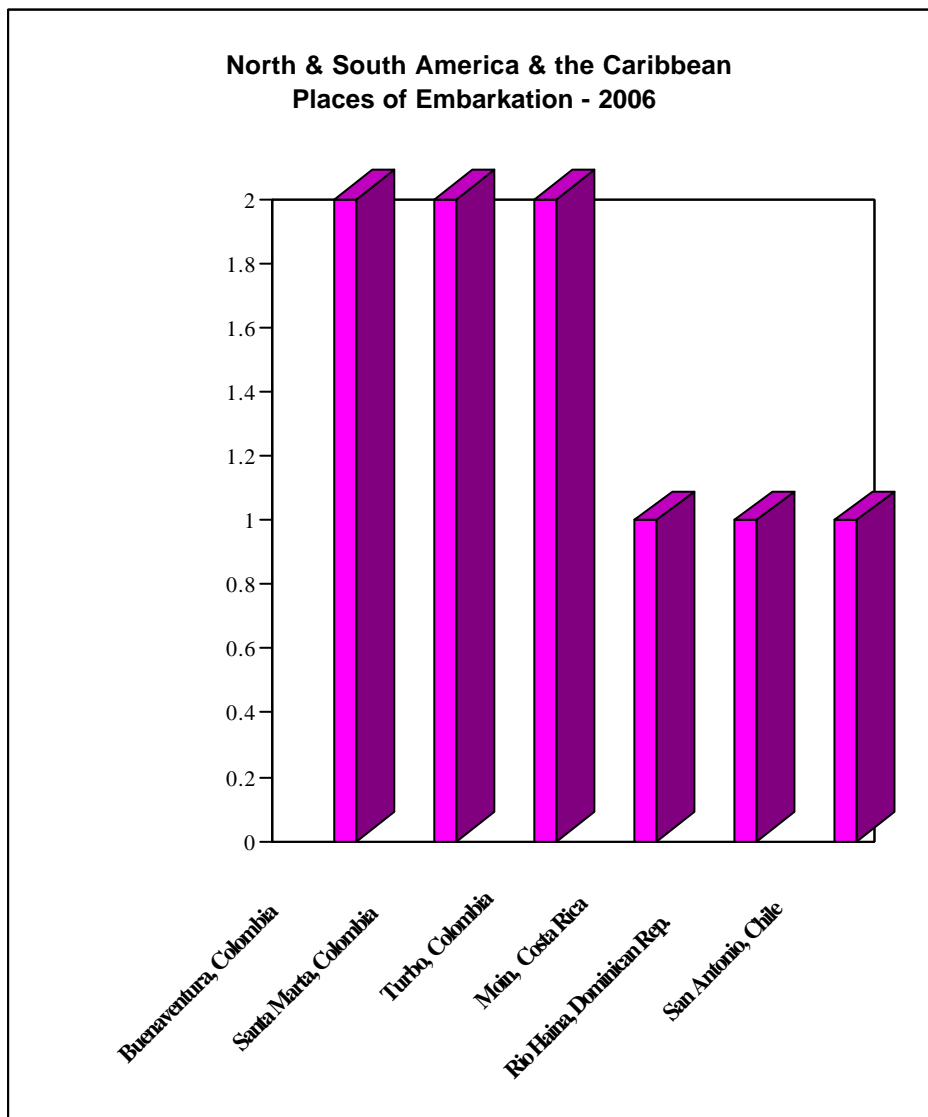
Places of Embarkation - 2006
West Africa

Algiers, Algeria	43
Casablanca, Morocco	11
Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire	8
Matadi, Congo Dem. Rep	7
Lagos, Nigeria	7
Dakar, Senegal	6
Safi, Morocco	4
Douala, Cameroon	4
Takoradi, Ghana	3
Conakry, Guinea	3
Djibouti, Djibouti	2
Nador, Morocco	2
Onne, Nigeria	2
Skidda, Algeria	1
Tema, Ghana	1
Total	104



Places of Embarkation - 2006
North America, South America and the Caribbean

Panama Canal, Panama	7
Buenaventura, Colombia	2
Santa Marta, Colombia	2
Turbo, Colombia	2
Moin, Costa Rica	1
Rio Haina, Dominican Rep.	1
San Antonio, Chile	1
Total	16



Places of Embarkation - 2006
Mediterranean, the Black Sea and the North Sea

Greece	91
Oostende, Belgium	23
Zeebrugge, Belgium	16
Istanbul, Turkey	14
Lisbon, Portugal	2
Rades, Tunisia	2
Ipswich, United Kingdom	2
Patras, Italy	1
Lattakia, Syrian Arab Rep.	1
Gothenburg, Sweden	1
Total	153

