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PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD

1 January – 31 December 2024

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INTRODUCTION

The ICC International Maritime Bureau (IMB) is a specialised division of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). The IMB is a non-profit making organisation, established in 1981 to act as a focal point in the fight against all types of maritime crime and malpractice. The International Maritime Organization (IMO), in its resolution A 504 (XII) (5) and (9) adopted on 20 November 1981, has *inter alia* urged governments, interest groups and organizations to co-operate and exchange information with each other and the IMB, with a view of maintaining and developing a coordinated action in combating maritime fraud.

Outrage in the shipping industry at the alarming growth in piracy prompted the creation of the IMB Piracy Reporting Centre (IMB PRC) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in October 1992.

The key advantages and services of the PRC are:

- A 24/7 manned operations centre.
- A single point of reporting for all vessels affected by piracy or armed robbery, as they trade through many different jurisdictions.
- Notifying the appropriate response agency of the reported incident and liaising with these agencies until the crew and vessel are safe.
- Warning vessels in the vicinity of a threat by broadcasting sitreps of incidents via Inmarsat and Iridium service.
- Alerting CSOs and vessel managers of incidents via email.
- Keeping the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) updated on reported incidents.
- Assisting local law enforcement in apprehending and bringing the criminals to justice.
- Publishing comprehensive quarterly and annual reports detailing incidents reported to the PRC.

The IMB PRC provides all its services ***free of charge*** to all ships irrespective of crew nationality, ownership, or flag.

This report is an analysis of 116 global maritime piracy and armed robbery incidents reported to the IMB PRC from 1 January to 31 December 2024. Incidents are occasionally reported late, resulting in changes to the tables and figures in subsequent reports.

Due to the continued debate concerning the Malacca Straits, these narrated incidents are shown separately.

For further details on the anti-piracy service or to report an incident, contact the 24-hour manned IMB PRC at:

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DEFINITIONS OF PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

The IMB PRC follows the definitions of Piracy as defined in Article 101 of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) and Armed Robbery as defined by the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) in its 26th Assembly session as Resolution A.1025 (26) "Code of Practice for the Investigation of Crimes of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships".

Article 101 of UNCLOS defines Piracy as:

Definition of 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 of inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described in subparagraph (a) or (b).

IMO Resolution A.1025 (26) "Code of Practice for the Investigation of Crimes of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships" defines Armed Robbery as:

Armed robbery against ships means any of the following acts:

.1 any illegal act of violence or detention or any act of depredation, or threat thereof, other than an act of piracy, committed for private ends and directed against a ship or against persons or property on board such a ship, within a State's internal waters, archipelagic waters and territorial sea;

.2 any act of inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described above

The definitions of piracy and armed robbery are aimed to assign responsibility for responding to these illegal acts. It is worth noting that these definitions do not consider the resulting consequence on the crew, vessel and cargo, which in IMB's experience ranges from opportunistic theft, cargo theft, taking crew hostage, assault and injury, kidnapping and in some cases death of a crew member.

It is vital that all actual and attempted incidents at the time of, or shortly after the incident, are reported and recorded.

This is the first essential step in the response chain.

Under the definitions of Piracy or Armed Robbery, the IMB PRC reports incidents as follows:

1. **Boarded**: An illegal act of perpetrators successfully gaining access onto the vessel.

2. **Hijacked**: An illegal act of perpetrators successfully gaining access onto the vessel and taking over the control of the vessel from the Master and crew.

3. **Fired Upon**: An illegal act of perpetrators discharging weapons towards the vessel while attempting to gain access onto the vessel.

4. **Attempted**: An illegal act of perpetrators attempting to approach a vessel with possible intention to board but remain unsuccessful due to the timely actions of the crew.

The consequences to the crew, vessel, or cargo, as a result of the above illegal acts:

1. **Crew**: Kidnap, hostage, death, threat, assault, injury, missing.

2. **Vessel**: Damage, especially due to the discharge of weapons or when perpetrators willfully damage vessel equipment and property.

3. **Cargo**: Theft or damage to cargo.

Region specific severity of incident on Crew, Vessel and Cargo: (Chart G)
As several agencies define and categorize incidents differently, the IMB reports under three generic Severity Levels – I, II and III determined by the effect the incident has on the crew, vessel and cargo.

Severity Level I: Any incident which has a direct impact on the crew. To include:
a. Crew being taken hostage, assaulted, injured, killed, kidnapped, missing, threatened.
b. A hijacking where the command of the vessel is taken over by those boarding.
c. An incident where the crew retreats into the citadel.

Severity Level II: To include a vessel being fired upon, security teams firing on approaching threat, robbers / pirates identified with weapons of any type (violence is offered) whether boarded or otherwise.

Severity Level III: To include an incident that does not fall into either Level I or Level II

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- Justships Ltd
- Steamship Insurance Management Services Limited
- NorthStandard Limited
- Tsakos Shipping and Trading SA

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- Spire Global Inc. (https://spire.com/)
- Vesseltracker (https://www.vesseltracker.com/)

TABLE 1: Locations of ACTUAL and ATTEMPTED incidents, January – December 2020 – 2024

Location		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
S E ASIA	Indonesia	26	9	10	18	22
	Malacca Straits		1		1	1
	Malaysia	4	2	4	2	1
	Philippines	8	9	6	9	3
	Singapore Straits	23	35	38	37	43
	Thailand	1				
EAST ASIA	Vietnam	4	1	2	3	2
INDIAN SUB	Bangladesh	4		7	1	14
CONTINENT	India	6	2	3	4	2
SOUTH AMERICA	Brazil	7	3	5	1	
	Colombia	1	6		2	1
	Ecuador	5	4		1	
	Guyana			2		1
	Haiti	5	4	1		
	Mexico	4	1	1		
	Panama				1	
	Peru	8	18	12	14	
	Venezuela			3		
AFRICA	Angola	6	4	5	3	5
	Benin	11	2			1
	Cabo Verde					1
	Cameroon		1		3	
	Dem. Republic of Congo		1	1		
	Dem. Rep. of Sao Tome & Principe	2	5			
	Egypt			1	1	
	Equatorial Guinea	3	2	2		4
	Gabon	2	4		1	1
	Ghana	9	5	7	6	2
	Guinea	5	3		2	1
	Gulf of Aden*		1			1
	Ivory Coast	3		2	2	1
	Liberia	2	1	1		1
	Mozambique	4	1		2	
	Nigeria	35	6		2	1
	Sierra Leone			1	2	
	Somalia*				1	7
	South Africa			1		
	The Congo	3	1		1	
	Togo	3				
REST WORLD OF WORLD	Iraq	1				
Total at year end		**195**	**132**	**115**	**120**	**116**

All incidents with * above are attributed to Somali pirates.

CHART A: The following three locations contributed 68% of the total 116 incidents reported in the period January – December 2024

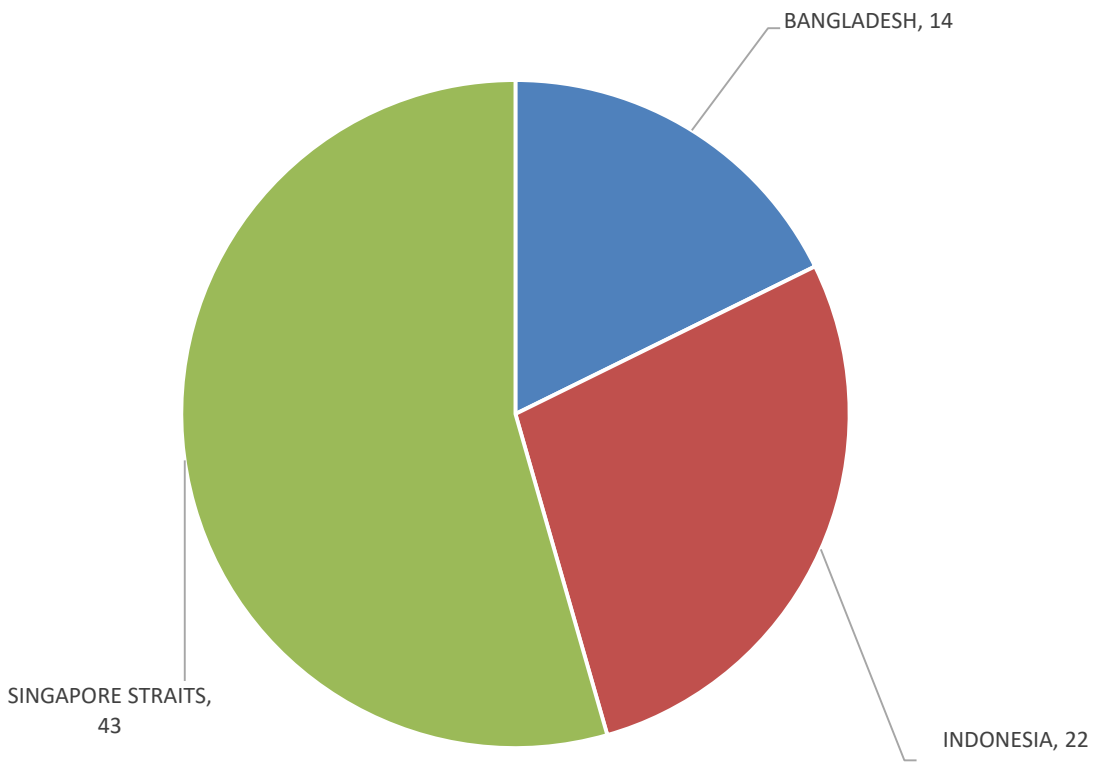


CHART B: Monthly comparison of incidents during January – December 2024

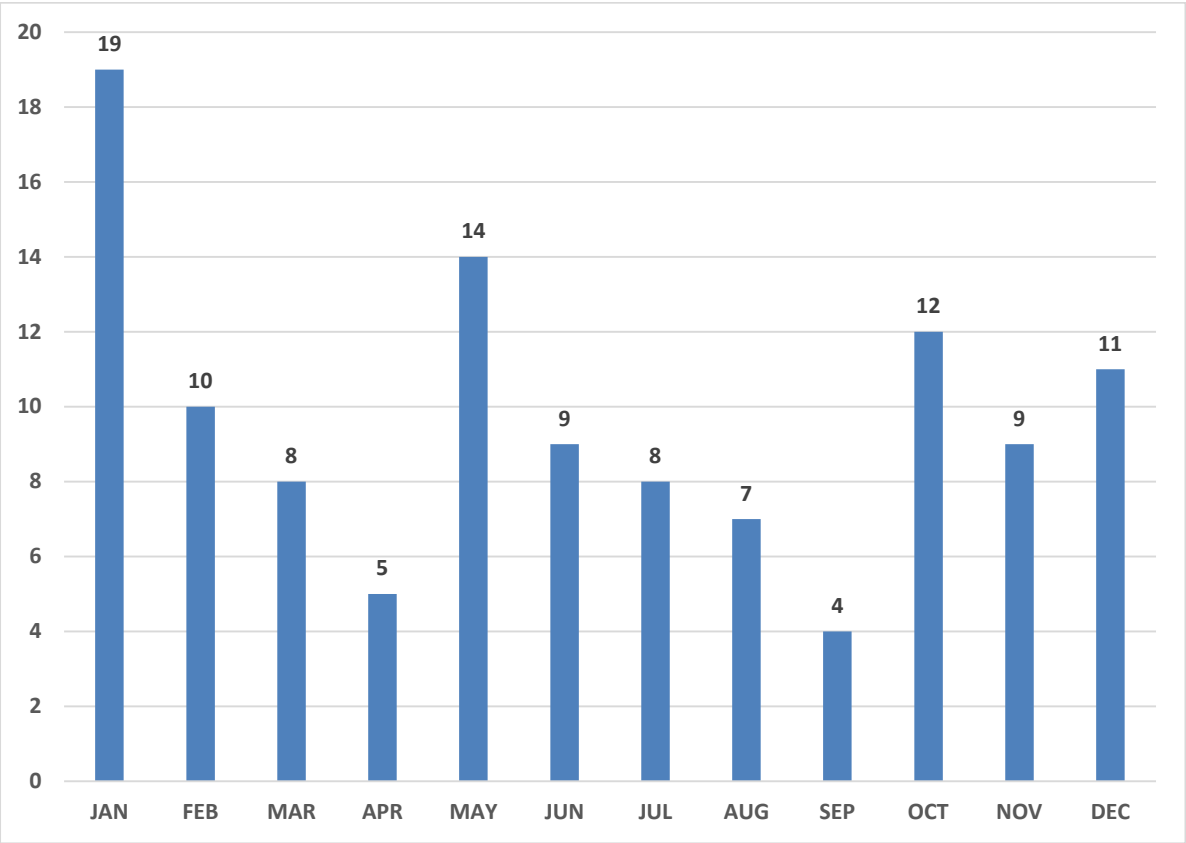


CHART C: Total incidents as per regions of the world January – December 2024

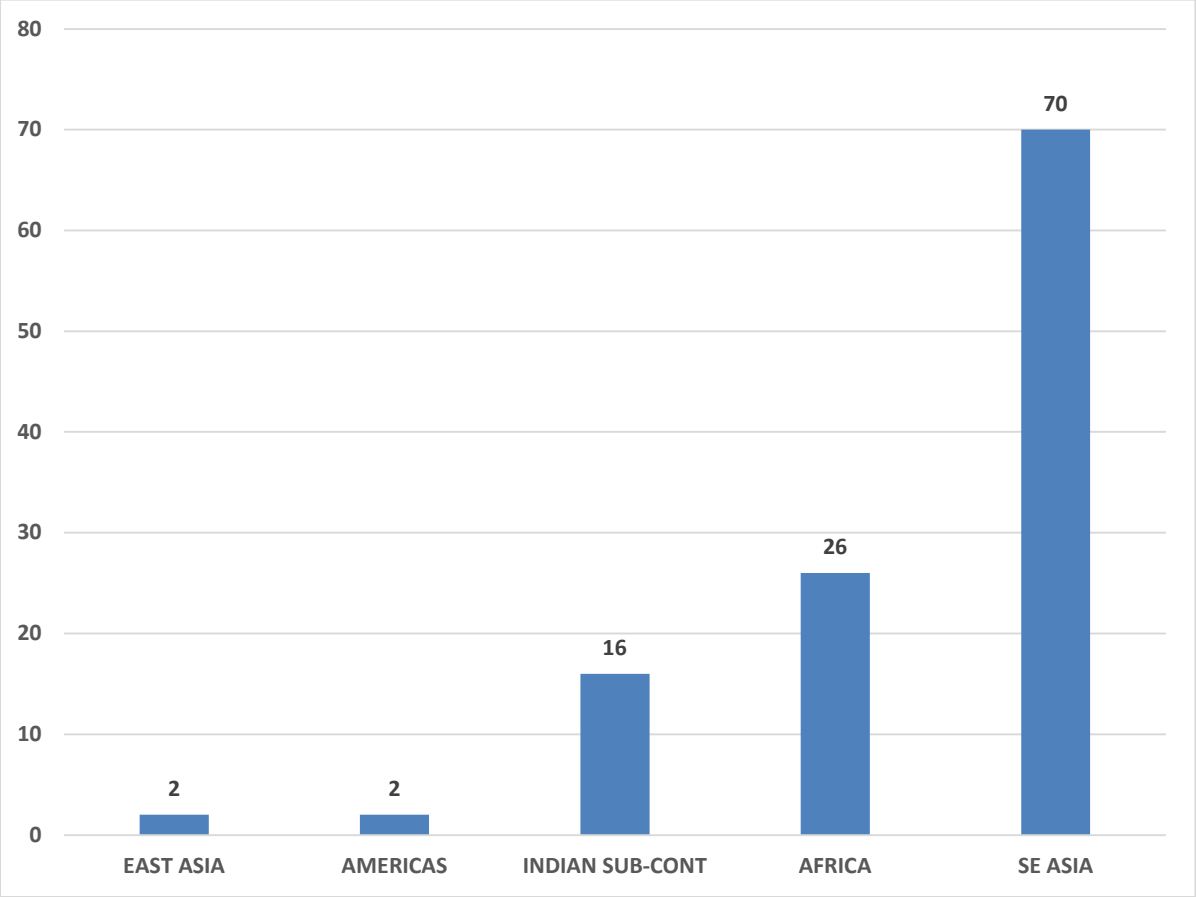


CHART D: Perpetrators successful in 86% of incidents. January – December 2024

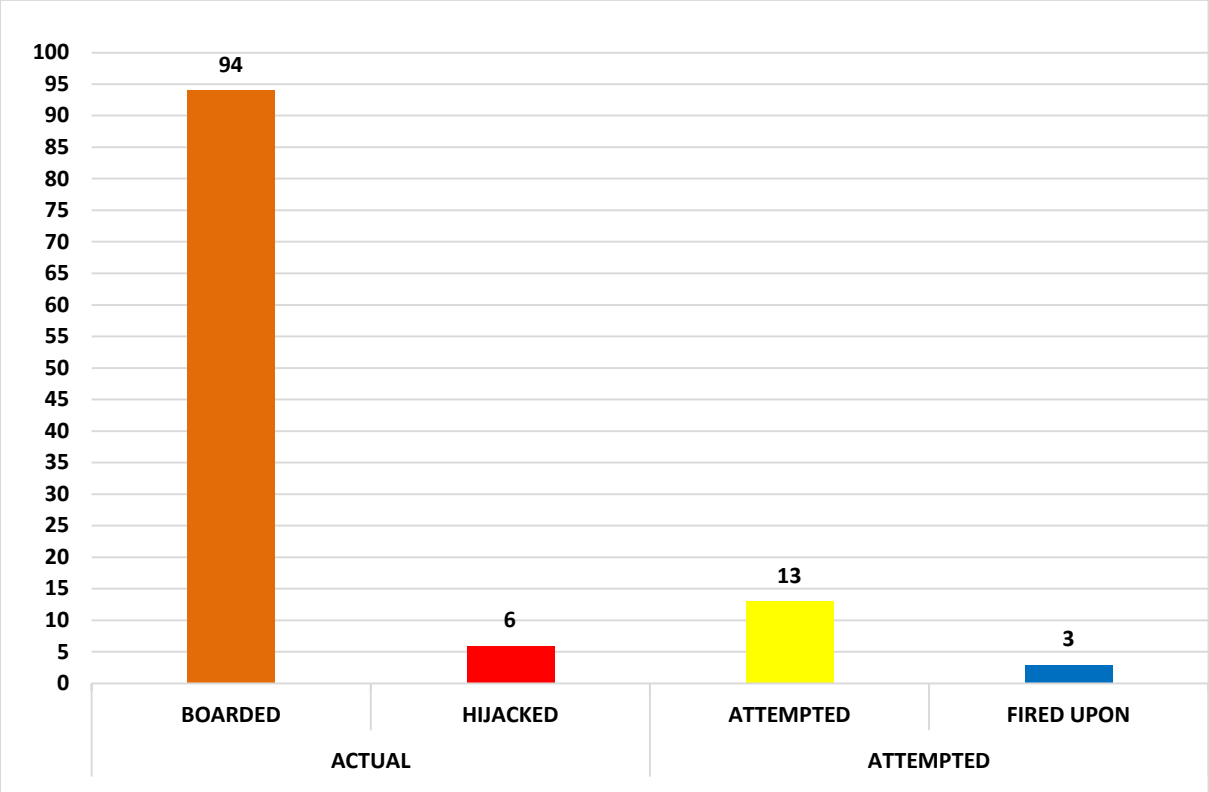


CHART E: Type of incident in relation to the status of vessel movement January – December 2024

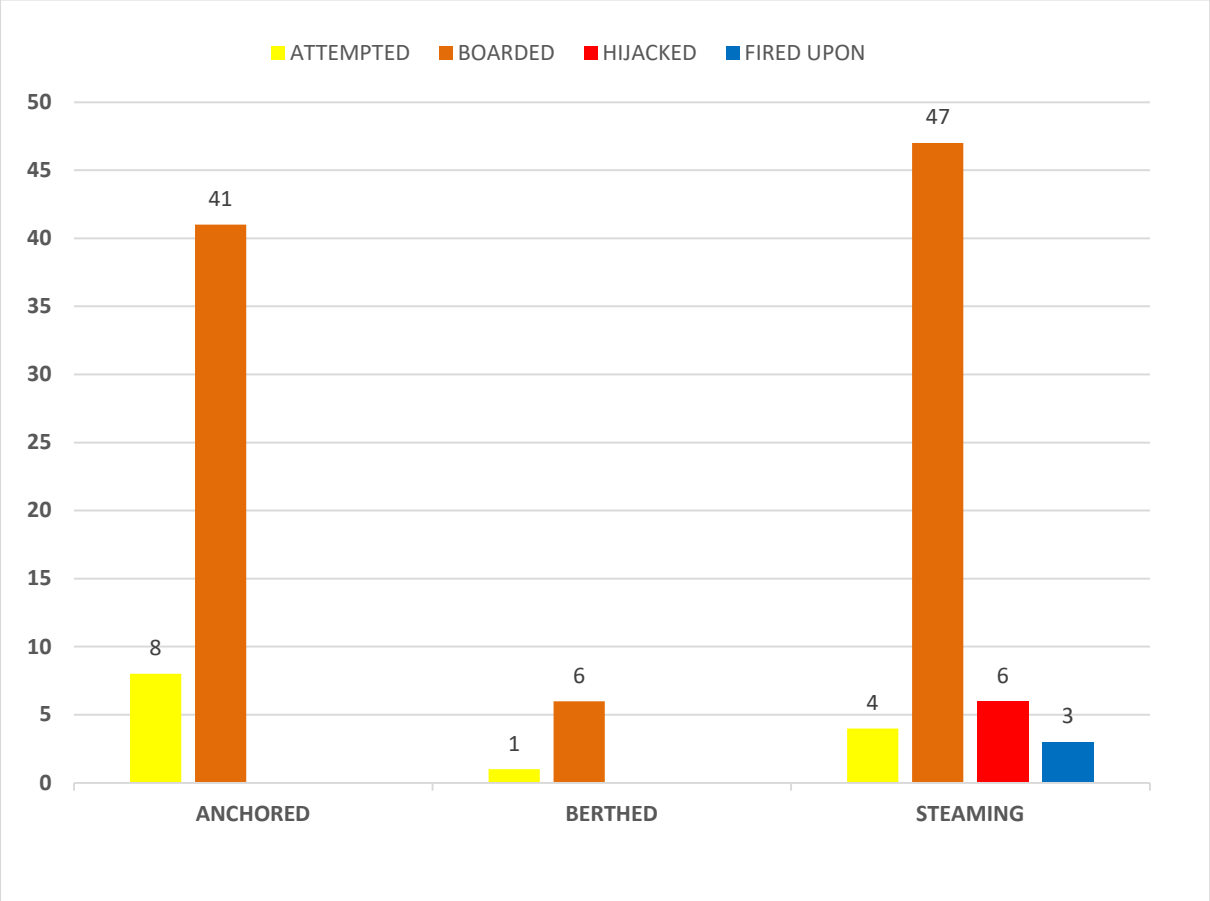


CHART F: Region specific type of incident in relation to the status of vessel movement January – December 2024

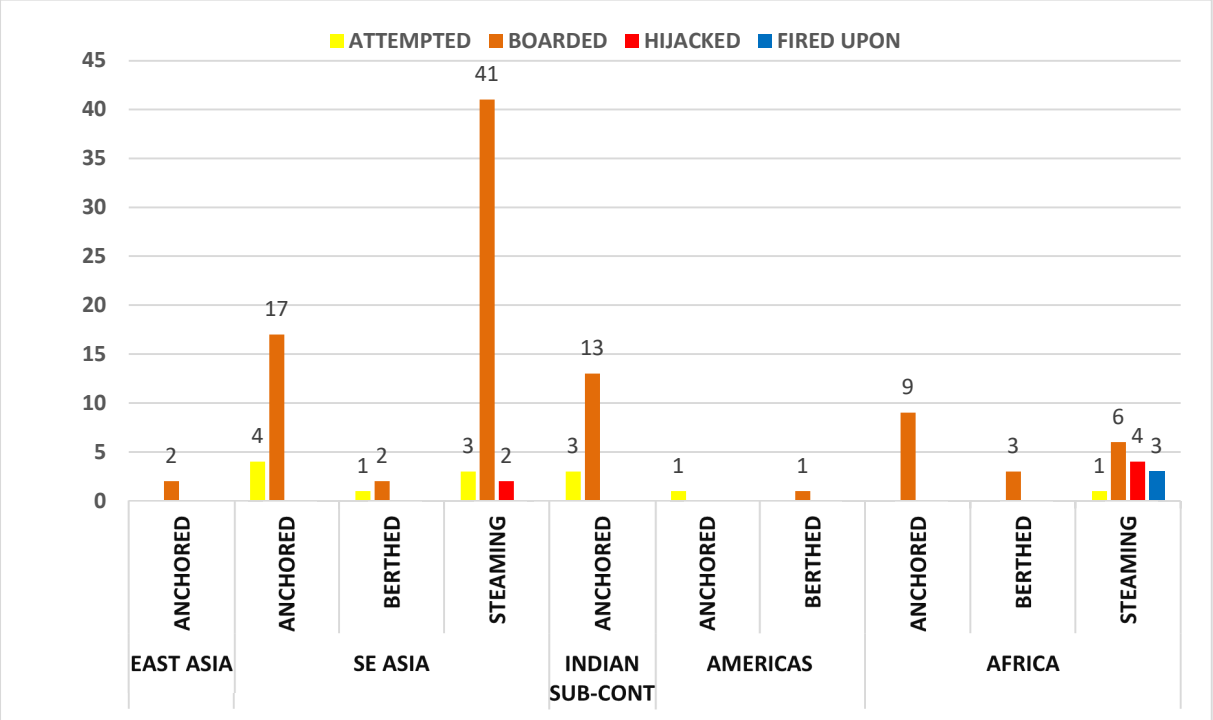


CHART G: Region specific severity of incident in relation January – December 2024 (Severity level I, II, III – see page 4 for clarification)

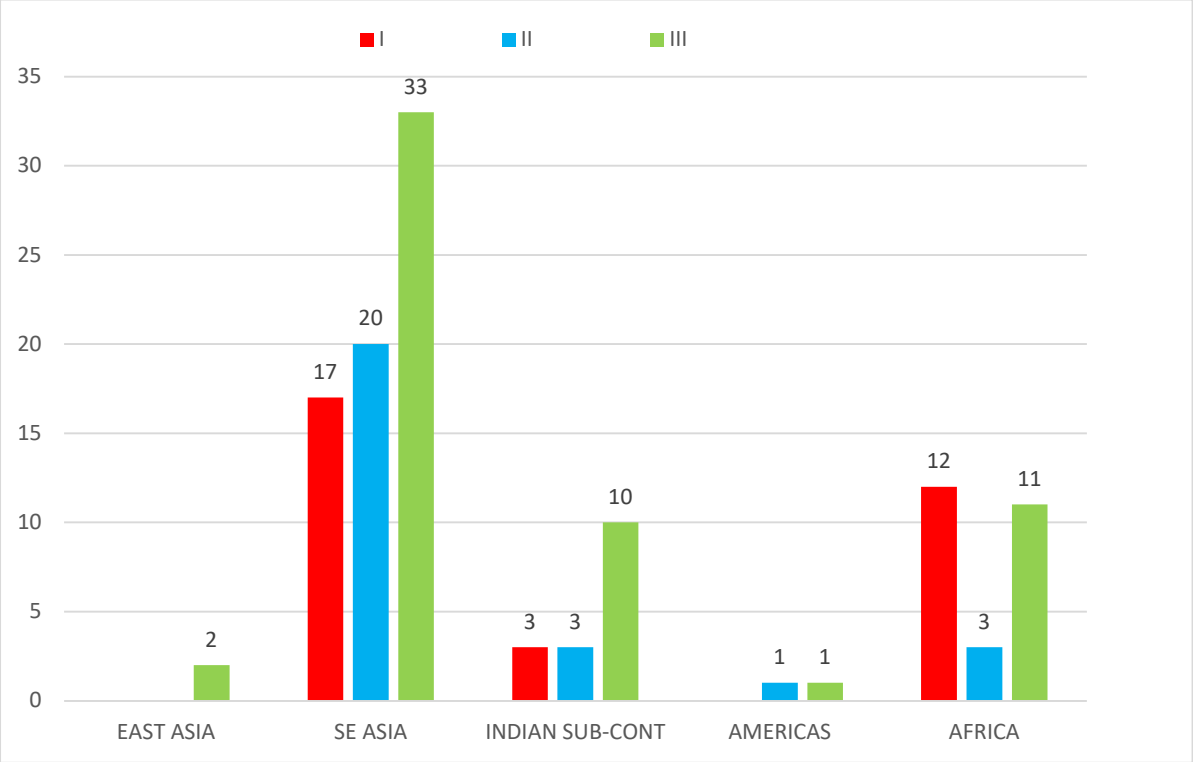


TABLE 2: ACTUAL and ATTEMPTED incidents by location, January – December 2024

		Actual		Attempted	
Location		**Boarded**	**Hijacked**	**Fired upon**	**Attempted**
SE ASIA	Indonesia	15	2		5
	Malacca Straits	1			
	Malaysia	1			
	Philippines	3			
	Singapore Straits	40			3
EAST ASIA	Vietnam	2			
INDIAN	Bangladesh	11			3
SUB-CONT	India	2			
AMERICA	Colombia				1
	Guyana	1			
AFRICA	Angola	5			
	Benin	1			
	Cabo Verde		1		
	Equatorial Guinea	3		1	
	Gabon	1			
	Ghana	2			
	Guinea	1			
	Gulf of Aden			1	
	Ivory Coast	1			
	Liberia	1			
	Nigeria	1			

Somalia	2	3	1	1
Sub total	**94**	**6**	**3**	**13**
Total	**116**			

TABLE 3: Ports / anchorages, with three or more reported incidents, January – December 2024

Country	Location	01.01.2024 to 31.12.2024
Angola	Luanda	4
Bangladesh	Chattogram	13
Indonesia	Batam	4
Indonesia	Belawan	3
Indonesia	Dumai	6

TABLE 4: Status of vessels during ACTUAL incidents, January – December 2024

Location		Berthed	Anchored	Steaming
SE ASIA	Indonesia	1	14	2
	Malacca Straits			1
	Malaysia			1
	Philippines	1	2	
	Singapore Straits		1	39
EAST ASIA	Vietnam		2	
INDIAN	Bangladesh		11	
SUB-CONT	India		2	
AMERICA	Guyana	1		
AFRICA	Angola		5	
	Benin			1
	Cabo Verde			1
	Equatorial Guinea			3
	Gabon		1	
	Ghana		2	
	Guinea	1		
	Ivory Coast		1	
	Liberia	1		
	Nigeria	1		
	Somalia			5
Sub total		**6**	**41**	**53**
Total		**100**		

TABLE 5: Status of vessels during ATTEMPTED incidents, January – December 2024

Location		Berthed	Anchored	Steaming
SE ASIA	Indonesia	1	4	
	Singapore Straits			3
INDIAN SUB-CONT	Bangladesh		3	
AMERICA	Colombia		1	
AFRICA	Equatorial Guinea			1
	Gulf of Aden			1
	Somalia			2

Sub total	**1**	**8**	**7**
Total	**16**		

TABLE 6: Types of arms used during incidents, January - December 2020 – 2024

Types of Arms	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Guns	69	34	16	15	26
Knives	46	38	41	42	39
Not stated	76	56	57	61	48
Other weapons	4	4	1	2	3
Total	**195**	**132**	**115**	**120**	**116**

TABLE 7: Comparison of the type of incidents, January - December 2020 – 2024

Type of Attack	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Attempted	20	11	5	9	13
Boarded	161	115	107	105	94
Fired upon	11	5	1	2	3
Hijack	3	1	2	4	6
Total	**195**	**132**	**115**	**120**	**116**

TABLE 8: Types of violence to crew, January – December 2020 – 2024

Type of Violence	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Hostage	34	8	41	73	126
Kidnapped	135	57	2	14	12
Threatened	8	9	6	10	12
Assaulted	5	3	6	1	
Injured	9	4		4	1
Killed		1			
Total at year end	**191**	**82**	**55**	**102**	**151**

TABLE 9: Type of violence to crew by location, January – December 2024

Location		Hostage	Kidnapped	Threatened	Injured
SE ASIA	Indonesia	31		1	
	Philippines			1	
	Singapore Straits	13		5	1
INDIAN SUB-CONT	Bangladesh	2		3	
AMERICA	Guyana			1	
AFRICA	Benin	6	1		
	Cabo Verde	21			
	Equatorial Guinea		11		
	Ghana			1	
	Nigeria	3			
	Somalia	50			
Sub total		**126**	**12**	**12**	**1**
Total		**151**			

TABLE 10: Types of arms used by geographical location, January – December 2024

Locations		Guns	Knives	Other Weapons	Not Stated
SE ASIA	Indonesia	3	10	1	8
	Malacca Straits				1
	Malaysia				1
	Philippines	1			2
	Singapore Straits	8	19	2	14
EAST ASIA	Vietnam				2
INDIAN	Bangladesh		7		7
SUB-CONT	India				2
AMERICA	Colombia				1
	Guyana		1		
AFRICA	Angola				5
	Benin	1			
	Cabo Verde	1			
	Equatorial Guinea	4			
	Gabon				1
	Ghana		1		1
	Guinea				1
	Gulf of Aden	1			
	Ivory Coast				1
	Liberia				1
	Nigeria		1		
	Somalia	7			
Sub total		**26**	**39**	**3**	**48**
Total		**116**			

TABLE 11: Incidents as per type of vessels, January – December 2020 – 2024

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Accommodation Barge	1				
Bulk Carrier	51	47	50	45	50
Container	27	30	11	18	11
Crew Boat			3		
Drilling Ship / Rig	1	1	1		
Fire Fighting Vessel				1	1
General Cargo	13	4	3	7	10
Heavy Load Carrier	1		1		3
Landing Craft		1			
Offshore Processing Ship				1	
Ore Carrier					1
Passenger Craft		1			
Pipe Layer Ship / Barge	2				
Refrigerated Cargo Ship	4	1	1		
Research Ship	1				
RO-RO			1		
Supply Ship	8	6	1	1	4

Support Ship	3	2			
Tanker Asphalt / Bitumen	1				
Tanker Bunkering	1				
Tanker Chem / Product	53	22	19	26	15
Tanker Crude Oil	10	5	9	6	4
Tanker FPSO / FSO	1				
Tanker LNG	1	2		1	
Tanker LPG	3	2	2	1	4
Trawler / Fishing	6	3		4	4
Offshore Tug / Tug & Barge	7	3	8	9	9
Vehicle Carrier		2	4		
Yacht / Sailing Vessel			1		
Total at year end	**195**	**132**	**115**	**120**	**116**

CHART H: Incidents as per type of vessels, January – December 2024

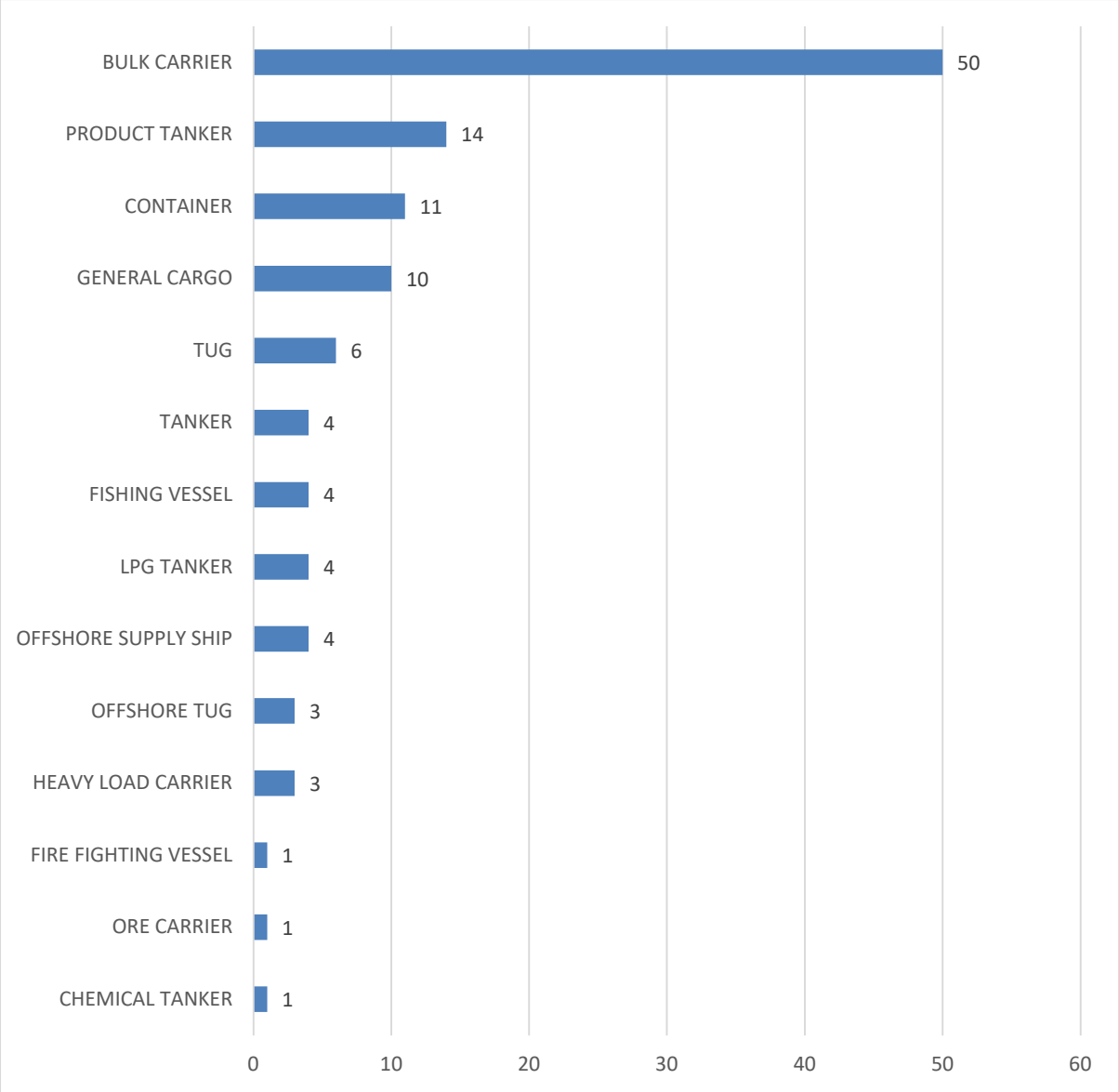


TABLE 12: Nationalities of vessels affected, January - December 2020 – 2024

Flag State	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Antigua & Barbuda	1	1	1		1
Bahamas	1	6	4	2	5
Bangladesh					2
Barbados		1	1		
Belgium				1	
Belize	1				
Bermuda	1	1			
Brazil		1	1		
Cameroon	2				
Cayman Islands	2	1	2	2	
China	1	1		3	
Comoros	3				
Cook Islands					1
Curacao					1
Cyprus	5	6	2	4	4
Denmark	4	6		3	1
Egypt					1
Equatorial Guinea		1			
France		1	1		1
Gabon	1				
Germany	2	1	1	1	
Ghana	3	2			1
Gibraltar	2	2			
Greece	3	4	1	1	1
Hong Kong (SAR)	10	6	4	8	6
India	2		1	2	1
Indonesia	2			1	2
Iran					1
Isle of Man	1	1	1	1	1
Italy	2				
Jamaica		1			
Japan			1	2	1
Korea South		1			2
Kuwait					1
Liberia	32	18	11	17	21
Libya				1	
Luxemburg		2			
Malaysia	1	2	2	4	2
Malta	9	5	7	8	1
Marshall Islands	33	17	20	16	16
Mongolia		1			
Netherlands	2				
Nigeria		1			1
Niue	1				
Norway	1	2	1		1
Palau	1	1			2
Panama	26	6	25	16	16
Philippines	1				1
Portugal	3	3	2	6	3
Saudi Arabia	3	1			
Senegal	1				

Singapore	28	24	20	19	12
Spain		1			
Sri Lanka					2
St Kitts & Nevis	1	2			
St Vincent & Grenadines	1		1		1
Switzerland		1			
Togo	1		1		
Turkey		1		1	
Tuvalu					1
USA			1	1	
Vanuatu	1		1		
Vietnam			1		1
Not Stated			1		1
Total at year end	**195**	**132**	**115**	**120**	**116**

CHART I: Nationalities of vessels involved in 12 times or more incidents, January – December 2024

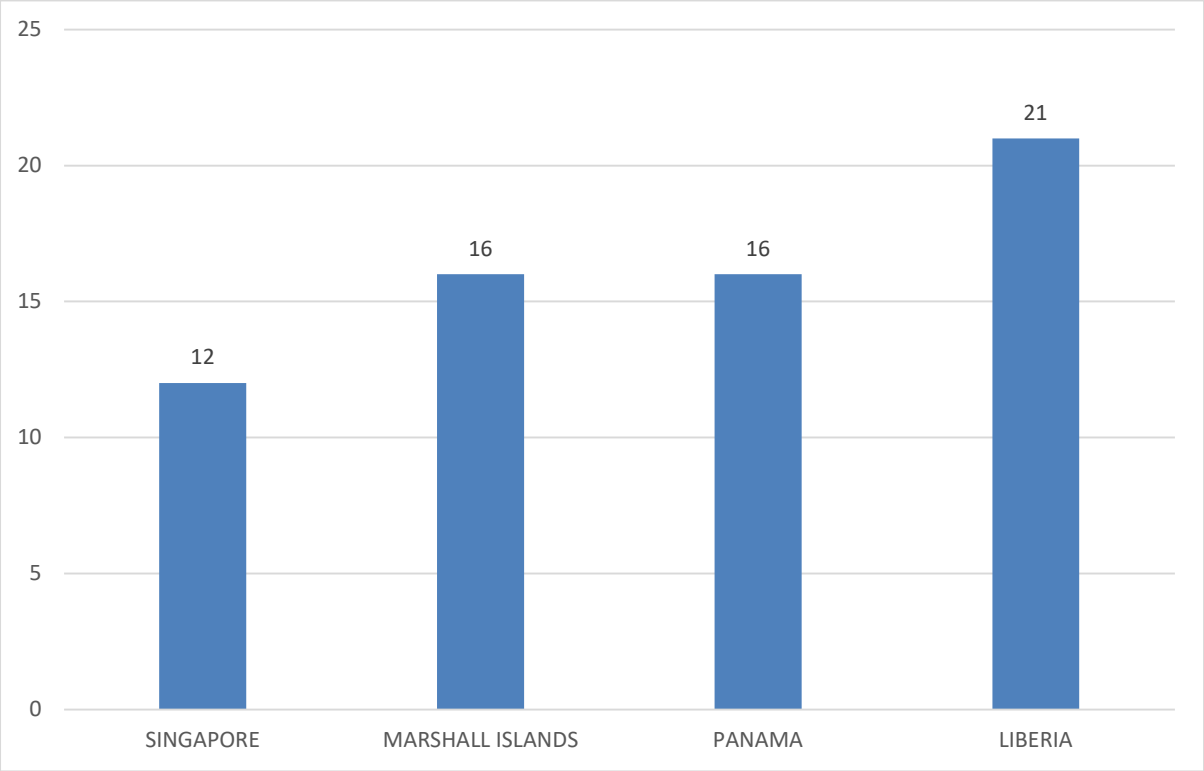
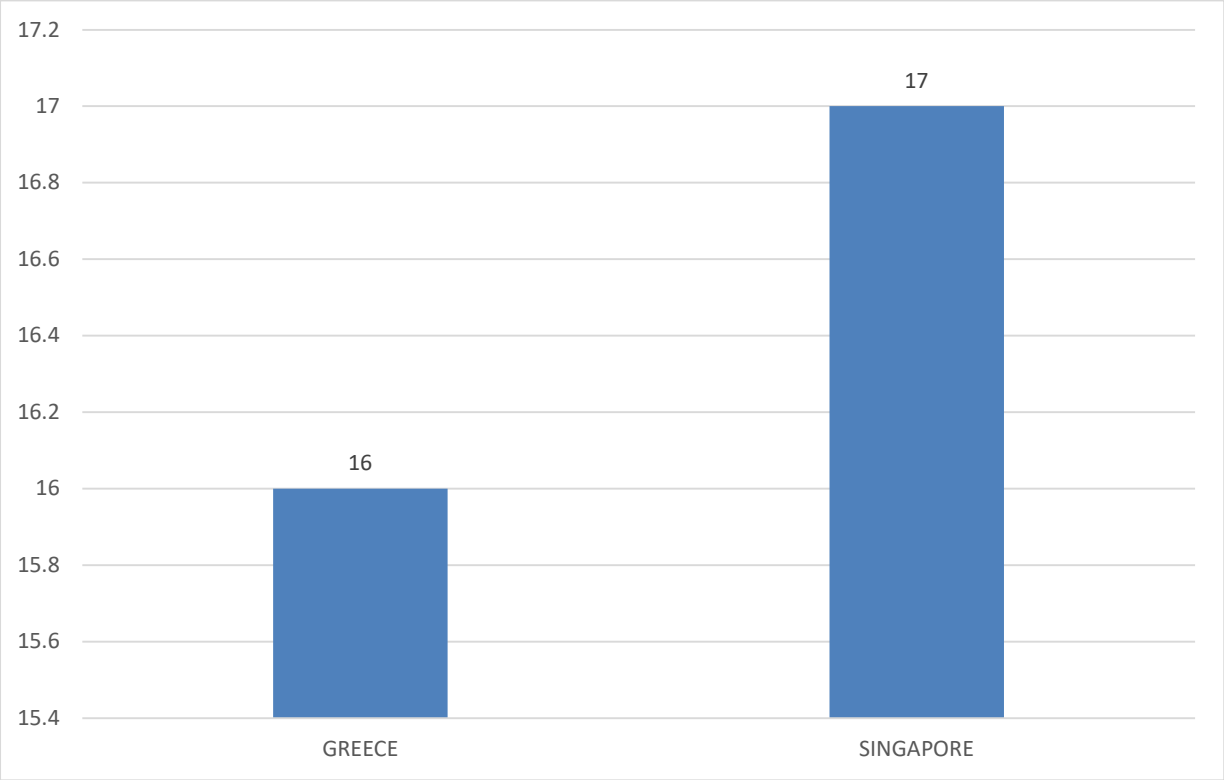


TABLE 13: Vessels affected – managed or controlled from January – December 2024

Country	No of Ships
Bangladesh	1
China	2
Croatia	1
Cyprus	2
Denmark	3
Egypt	1
France	1
Germany	9

Ghana	1
Greece	16
Hong Kong	9
India	11
Indonesia	2
Japan	11
Korea South	2
Kuwait	1
Malaysia	2
Mauritius	2
Moldova	1
Norway	1
Oman	2
Philippines	4
Singapore	17
Sri Lanka	1
Switzerland	2
Thailand	1
Turkey	1
UAE	2
United Kingdom	4
Vietnam	1
Not Stated	2
Total	**116**

CHART J: Managing countries whose vessels involved in 12 times or more incidents between January – December 2024



OFF SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA ATTACK FIGURES UPDATE

From 1 January to 31 December 2024, three vessels were hijacked, two vessels were boarded and one fired upon and one reported an attempted approach in the waters off Somalia / Gulf of Aden.

The international navies patrolling these waters continue to coordinate and liaise with merchant and fishing fleets to identify and apprehend pirate groups.

The IMB PRC cautions vessel owners and masters against complacency. Recent incidents demonstrate the continued capability and capacity of the Somali pirates to target vessels over 1000nm from the Somali coast.

All vessels are advised and encouraged to adhere to the latest BMP recommendations while transiting these waters. Vessels employing Privately Contracted Armed Security Personnel (PCASP) should be cautious and not mistake fishermen for pirates.

The IMB PRC continues to monitor the situation in the region. Although only seven Somali piracy incidents have been recorded, several hijackings of dhows and fishing boats have not yet been reported.

The IMB PRC supports and compliments the role of international navies by relaying all reports received to the response agencies, as well as by broadcasting alerts to vessels via the GMDSS Safety Net Service (Inmarsat & Iridium) on incidents of piracy and armed robbery.

The IMB PRC is also aware of the non-piracy related incidents targeting commercial vessels by Houthi militants in the Gulf of Aden / Red Sea / Bab El Mandeb waters, particularly off Yemen using drones and missiles. All vessels are urged to register and report as per the latest edition of the BMP.

CONTINUED COOPERATION

The positive information sharing, actions and cooperation between the Indonesian Marine Police (IMP) and the IMB PRC has resulted in an overall decrease in the number of reported incidents in the 10 safe designated areas.

All vessels intending to anchor, waiting for berth or drift should do so at the designated areas where IMP patrol boats would be stationed to enable them to maximize their resources to provide greater protection for vessels.

Vessels are advised to cooperate by maintaining strict anti-piracy and robbery watches and report all attacks and suspicious sightings to the local Authorities / IMP, as well as the IMB PRC. The IMB PRC will also liaise with local and regional Authorities to render necessary assistance.

In line with the Road Map Program Police Reforms Wave III, the Indonesian Authorities will continue to allocate and position resources and assets in 10 key designated areas of concern, to prevent sea robbery and piracy in and around Indonesian waters.

The IMB thanks the IMP for their support and contribution to the shipping industry.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The IMB PRC appreciates the strong and vital cooperation from the Philippine and Malaysian Intel that have provided crucial information relating to the safety of vessels and seafarers, particularly in the Sulu Sea/eastern Sabah waters. The successful cooperation has directly and indirectly saved many lives and properties at sea. The IMB PRC looks forward to the continued cooperation and thanks both intel agencies for their commitment.

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The IMB appreciates the assistance (past and present) and vital cooperation provided by the Coalition naval forces / EU naval force (EUNAVFOR ATALANTA) / MSCHOA / US Navy / French Alindien / NATO / UKMTO / Indian Navy / Iranian Navy / Malaysian Navy / Russian Navy / Chinese Navy / South Korean Navy / Japanese Maritime SDF/ Singapore Navy / Royal Thai Navy / and Yemeni Coast Guard and Navy, for assisting the many vessels that have been attacked by suspected Somali pirates, both in the Gulf of Aden and off eastern / southern Somali coast, Indian Ocean, Arabian Sea and other areas. The positive actions by the navies, including pre-emptive and disruptive counter piracy tactics, resulted in a drop in the number of attacks.

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The IMB PRC appreciates the strong cooperation from the West African authorities / navies and international navies (past and present), especially the Danish, Italian, Russian, Spanish and Portuguese Navies in the Gulf of Guinea. A special thanks to the Nigerian Authorities, particularly the Nigerian Navy and NIMASA, who have continued to provide prompt information, actions and valuable cooperation between agencies. The IMB PRC looks forward to the continued cooperation from the West African authorities / navies and international navies in the area.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
The IMB PRC thanks all the masters and vessel owners / operators who have reported incidents to the Centre. It encourages all incidents to be reported in a timely manner.

While the IMB PRC endeavours to always get a meaningful response from regional authorities, the incident reports play a crucial role to increase awareness of this crime. This allows for additional resources to be allocated by authorities to tackle the crime of piracy and armed robbery.

Transparent statistics from the IMB PRC has been the catalyst to achieve this goal.

PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY PRONE AREAS AND WARNINGS

All vessels are advised to report all piracy and armed robbery incidents and suspicious sightings to local Authorities, their flag state and to the IMB Piracy Reporting Centre as per IMO Cir 1334.

The IMB Piracy Reporting Centre can be contacted at:
24 Hours Anti-Piracy HELPLINE is: +60 3 2031 0014
E-mail: piracy@icc-ccs.org / imbkl@icc-ccs.org
Tel: +60 3 2078 5763
WhatsApp / Telegram: +60 11 2659 3057. (Photograph or video submission encouraged).

Mariners are advised to be cautious, take precautionary measures and follow all recommended guidelines, when transiting the following areas:

SOUTH EAST ASIA AND INDIAN SUB CONTINENT

Bangladesh: Most incidents reported at anchorages and its approaches. Incidents in Bangladesh have fallen significantly over the past few years because of the efforts by the Bangladesh authorities. However, recently, incidents are increasing at Chattogram anchorage. Maintain a strict watch.

Indonesia: Dumai / Lubuk Gaung and surrounding waters. Pirates / robbers are normally armed with guns / knives and / or machetes. Generally, be vigilant in other areas. Many incidents may have gone unreported. Pirates / robbers normally approach vessels during the night. When spotted and alarm is sounded, the pirates / robbers usually escape without confronting the crew. A strict anti-piracy watch is recommended.

Meetings and continued dialogue between the Indonesian Marine Police (IMP) and the IMB PRC resulted in positive actions by the Indonesian authorities, who have so far brought down the number of incidents significantly. With the assistance and actions of the IMP, the incidents appear to be curtailed.

The Indonesian Marine Police have advised all ships intending to anchor to do so at / near the following areas where Indonesian Marine Police will conduct patrols for greater protection:

(After IMP-IMB started the cooperation, since 2014, no incident has been reported in the Adang Bay region. With this in view, in March 2021, IMP has decided to replace Adang Bay with Tanjung Butan at 01:11.30N – 104:12.30E as Singapore Straits and surrounding waters are now considered as risky waters).

1. Belawan: 03:55.00N-098:45.30E
2. Dumai: 01:42.00N-101:28.00E
3. Nipah: 01:07.30N-103:37.00E
4. Tanjung Berakit/Bintan: 01:23.30N-104:42.30E
5. Tanjung Priok: 06:00.30S-106:54.00E
6. Gresik: 07:09.00S-112:40.00E
7. Taboneo: 03:41.30S-114:28.00E
8. Tanjung Butan: 01:11.30N-104:12.30E (effective 12 March 2021)
9. Muara Berau: 00:17.00S-117:36.00E
10. Balikpapan: 01:22.00S-116:53.00E

The Indonesian authorities have advised IMB that in accordance with the Road Map Program Police Reforms Wave III, the above given ten locations prevention action of sea robbery / piracy in Indonesian waters will continue until further notice.

Vessels are advised to maintain strict anti-piracy watch and measures and report all incidents and suspicious sightings to the local authorities and to the IMB Piracy Reporting Centre. The IMB PRC will also liaise with the local authorities to render necessary assistance.

Malacca Straits: Although the number of incidents has dropped substantially due to increased and aggressive patrols by the littoral states' authorities since July 2005, vessels are advised to continue maintaining strict anti-piracy / robbery watches when transiting the Straits. Currently, there are no indications as to how long these patrols will continue or when they will be reduced. In some cases, incidents may have gone unreported. Situation currently remains stable although one incident was reported in 2024.

Malaysia: Bandar Penawar, Johor – one incident reported at off Tanjung Penawar in 2024. Past incidents reported on anchored vessels. Off Tanjung Piai – past incidents reported on vessels underway. Though incidents have stopped, the IMB PRC is monitoring the situation and will liaise with the Malaysian Authorities / MMEA as needed.

In / off Eastern Sabah – kidnapping of merchant ship's crew by ASG has stopped for several years due to actions by the Malaysian and Philippines Authorities. Last kidnapping incident was reported in January 2020. It was reported that several ASG militants had been captured / killed by the authorities. Although the incidents have stopped, the waters remain moderately risky.

Vessels are advised to continue to take precautionary measures and maintain strict anti-piracy watch and measures. Vessels transiting these waters should refer to the Sabah Notice to Mariners NTM 14 of 2017 on the Ship Reporting System. Vessels are also urged to monitor the IMB PRC Warnings on potential incidents / targets / description of militant boats issued on behalf of the Philippines and Malaysian Intel Agencies.

Philippines: In / off Sibutu passage / off Sibutu island / Tawi Tawi / Sulu Sea / Celebes Sea / off eastern Sabah – past incidents included crew kidnappings. These kidnapping incidents have stopped for several years due to the actions by the Malaysian and Philippines Authorities. Last kidnapping incident was reported in January 2020. It was reported that several ASG militants had been captured / killed by the authorities. Although the incidents have stopped, the waters remain moderately risky.

Vessels are advised to continue to take precautionary measures and maintain strict anti-piracy watch and measures. Vessels transiting these waters should refer to the Sabah Notice to Mariners NTM 14 of 2017 on the Ship Reporting System. Vessels are also urged to monitor the IMB PRC Warnings on potential incidents / targets / description of militant boats issued on behalf of the Philippines and Malaysian Intel Agencies.

Manila: Be vigilant. Several past and recent incidents / robberies have been reported.

Singapore Straits: A General Warning issued in December 2019 indicating a sudden rise in incidents in Singapore Straits especially, during the night is still valid. The incidents are still occurring to date. It appears one or more groups are targeting passing ships, including tugs / barges to rob them. Authorities have been notified and are aware of the situation. Vessels are advised to remain vigilant and to continue maintaining adequate watches and measures. Robbers board vessels while underway or while at anchor especially during the night. Robbers will abort and move away when the alarm is sounded and the authorities notified. Therefore, a strict watch is necessary.

South China Sea: Although incidents have stopped in the vicinity off Tioman / off Pulau Aur / off Anambas / Natuna / Mangkai islands / Subi Besar / Merundung areas, vessels are advised to continue to remain vigilant, especially during the night. In the past, several hijackings of small product tankers occurred off the coast of Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and in the South China Sea area. This trend started in April 2014, but the hijackings stopped abruptly in late 2015. It has been reported that some criminals have been arrested by local authorities both in Malaysia and in Indonesia. There were three

incidents reported in 2017 where two tankers were hijacked off Kuantan / Off Pulau Aur / East coast Malaysia. The IMB continues to monitor the situation.

WEST AFRICA (Gulf of Guinea) – As a general rule:

(i) Follow recommendations and guidelines presented in the BMP WA.
(ii) All crews to keep a vigilant lookout using all available means. Ships advised to adjust ETA for direct berthing or wait / drift / transit more than 300nm from the coast, if appropriate and agreed by all in venture. Past incidents reported up to 300nm from the coast.

Angola (Luanda): Incidents of robberies reported. Be vigilant and maintain watch.

Benin (Cotonou): In 2024, a fishing vessel captain was kidnapped at Cotonou anchorage. Previous incidents in the area involved crew kidnappings by well-armed and violent pirates / robbers. These pirates / robbers have robbed vessels and abducted crews for ransom. Tankers were also hijacked in the past, with part of their cargo, such as gas oil, stolen. While these incidents have ceased since 2022, vessels are still advised to remain vigilant and implement strict security measures.

Cameroon (Douala): Stay alert due to previous incidents such as vessels being fired upon while at anchor and crew members being kidnapped.

Equatorial Guinea: In 2024, there were two incidents off Bioko Island. One occurred approximately 28nm from the island, and the other around 45nm, resulting in the kidnapping of ship crew members. Additionally, two more incidents were reported about 80nm west of Bata, with one involving gunfire and the other a boarding.

Gabon (Port Gentil / Owendo anchorage): In 2024, an incident was reported at the anchorage. Previous crew kidnappings occurred over 70nm offshore.

Ghana (Takoradi): Two incidents occurred in 2024 at Takoradi anchorages. Previous incidents have been reported in the area. Maintain strict watches.

Guinea (Conakry): One robbery incident reported in 2024, with previous incidents of robberies reported at anchorages.

Ivory Coast (Abidjan): In 2024, one incident was reported at the anchorage.

Nigeria (Lagos / Apapa, Off Bayelsa / Brass / Bonny Island / Port Harcourt): Pirates / robbers in Nigerian waters are armed, violent, and have attacked vessels and kidnapped crews near or far from the coast. Incidents have occurred up to 300nm from shore. All waters off Nigeria are considered high-risk, with a significant threat of kidnapping for ransom. Vessels should remain vigilant as some incidents may go unreported. Tankers have been hijacked in the past, with cargo theft, particularly of gas oil. Extra precautions are recommended for vessels operating in these dangerous waters.

Incidents in Nigeria have decreased significantly, but vessels should remain vigilant as waters are still dangerous.

Togo (Lome): Recent incidents of robbery and kidnapping of crews in Togo have ceased since 2021. However, vessels are still advised to remain vigilant and implement strict security measures due to past attacks at anchorage in Togo, where tankers were hijacked and part of their cargo stolen.

The Congo: Incidents have ceased. Previous incidents were reported off Pointe Noire.

Sao Tome & Principe: No recent incidents reported. Past incidents involved vessel hijackings, attacks, and crew kidnappings. Vessels should maintain strict anti-piracy measures. Waters remain risky for fishing and merchant vessels, but incidents have decreased since 2022.

Sierra Leone: (off Turtle Islands). There was one reported hijacking incident in the past.

EAST AFRICA / GOA / RED SEA

Red Sea / Gulf of Aden / Somalia / Arabian Sea / Indian Ocean: In 2024, eight piracy incidents and hijackings reported off Somalia / Gulf of Aden. On 14 December 2023 the first successful hijacking of a merchant vessel by Somali pirates since 2017 was reported. Somali pirates have the capability to target vessels over 1000nm from coast using mother vessels.

The recent successful incidents demonstrate the continued capabilities of these criminals. Vessels are advised to be vigilant, maintain strict anti-piracy watch and adhere to the recommendations in the latest BMP, while transiting in these waters. The IMB PRC will continue to alert and broadcast information to all ships in the region via GMDSS Safety Net Service.

In the past, Somali pirates have conducted their acts in waters off the southern Red Sea / Bab El Mandeb, Gulf of Aden including Yemen and the northern Somali coast, Arabian sea / off Oman, Gulf of Oman and off the eastern and southern Somali coast. Vessels have also been targeted off Kenya, Tanzania, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mozambique, as well as in the Indian ocean and off the west and south coasts of India and west Maldives.

Generally, Somali pirates tend to be well armed with automatic weapons and RPGs. They sometimes use skiffs launched from mother vessels, which may be hijacked fishing vessels or dhows. Masters and ship owners are encouraged to register their vessel and report as per the latest BMP procedures, ensure their vessel is hardened prior to entering these waters and to maintain a 24-hour visual and radar watch. Keeping in mind the warnings and alerts for the area, an early sighting / detection of an approaching skiff will enable an accurate assessment, allowing the Master and PCASP to make informed decisions to keep clear of small boats, dhows, fishing vessels and, if necessary, take evasive actions and request assistance as needed.

Masters are reminded that fishermen in this region may try to protect their nets by attempting to aggressively approach merchant vessels. Some of the fishermen may be armed to protect their catch and they should not be confused with pirates.

Vessels transiting in / off Yemen / Gulf of Aden / Southern Red Sea / Bab El Mandeb: There is a heightened security risk to vessels transiting these waters. Vessels are being approached by skiffs and hailed via VHF allegedly by Yemeni naval forces to alter course into Yemeni waters. Masters are encouraged to be cautious, ignore these calls and immediately report any such activities to Coalition warships on VHF Ch 16. Ships transiting Gulf of Aden, Southern Red Sea and Bab El Mandeb are also advised to be vigilant and take precautionary measures as vessels have been targeted by missiles and unmanned aerial/seaborne vehicles. The number of these reported incidents, which are not piracy related, are increasing.

Vessels transiting Straits of Hormuz / Gulf of Oman / Off Iran – incidents are not piracy related. Unauthorised boardings have been reported.

SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN WATERS

Brazil (Macapa): Incidents have dropped. Waters remain risky. Stay vigilant.

Colombia (Cartagena): One incident reported. Past incidents reported at anchorages, river passage and pilot boarding ground. Stay vigilant.

Ecuador (Guayaquil): Incidents have stopped. Past incidents reported at anchorage / river passage with pilot. Robbers well-armed. Fired upon.

Haiti (Port Au Prince / Lafiteau): Incidents dropped. Advised to continue maintaining watch and to stay vigilant.

Mexico (Puerto Dos Bocas): Incidents dropped. Past reported incidents - pirates / robbers in this area armed with guns.

Peru (Callao): Despite a reduction in 2024 incidents, waters remain risky. Maintain vigilant watch and employ anti-piracy measures.

Venezuela (Puerto La Cruz / Puerto Jose / Guanta): Although incidents have stopped, vessels are still reminded to maintain strict anti-piracy watch and measures especially at anchor.

EASTERN EUROPE/UKRAINE

Not piracy related: Ukraine and Russia conflict: stay clear of Ukrainian coast. Mines reported in the Black Sea.

IMB Maritime Security Hotline

The International Maritime Bureau (IMB) has a dedicated hotline for seafarers, port workers, shipping agents, shipyard personnel, brokers, stevedores and all concerned parties to report any information that they may have seen / heard / known etc. relating to any maritime crime including terrorism, piracy and other illegal activities. All information reported will be treated in strict confidence and will be passed on to relevant authorities for further action. Maritime crime and security concerns us all and with your help, we can try to minimize the risks and help save lives and property.

The Maritime Security Hotline can be contacted 24 hours every day at: Tel: +60 3 2031 0014
E-mail: imbsecurity@icc-ccs.org
WhatsApp or Telegram at +601126593057. Photograph or video submission encouraged.

REMEMBER: Your information may save lives. All information will be treated in strict confidence.

Trends within areas of continued concern

CHART K: SE Asia – Singapore Straits – Total number of reported incidents

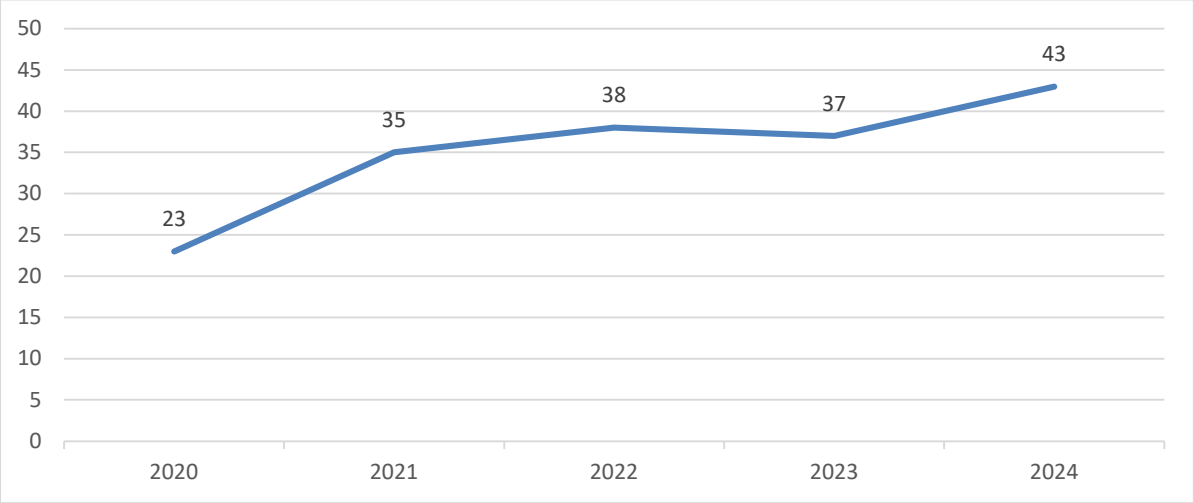


CHART L: West Africa – Gulf of Guinea – Total number of reported incidents

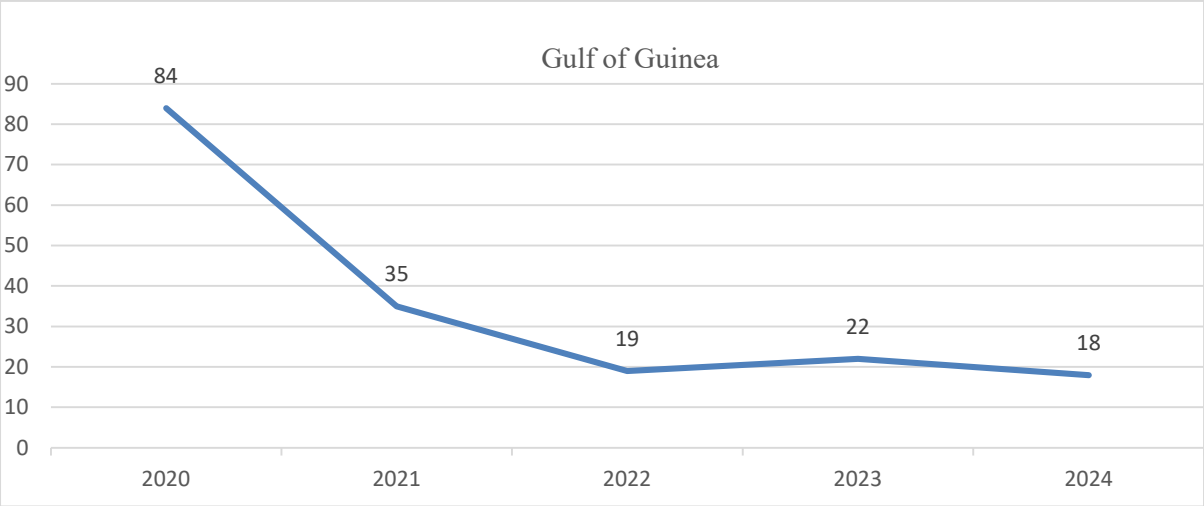
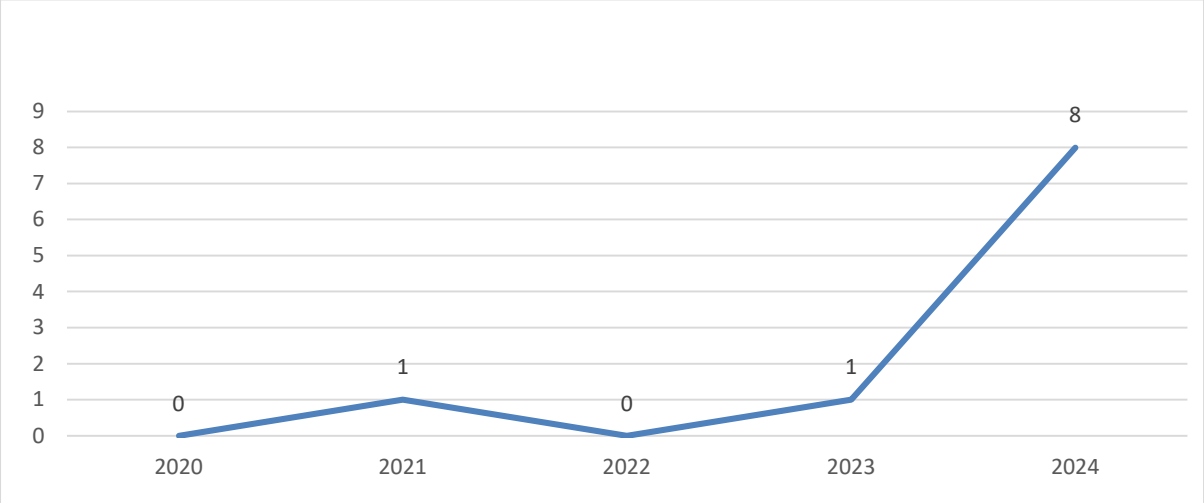


CHART M: East Africa – Waters off Somalia / Gulf of Aden – Total number of reported incidents



TRENDS

The IMB Piracy Reporting Centre (PRC) received 116 reported incidents of piracy and armed robbery against ships in 2024 compared with 120 in 2023 and 115 in 2022.

The 2024 figures are broken down as 94 vessels boarded, 13 attempted attacks, six vessels hijacked and three fired upon. While the number of reported incidents in 2024 remains similar to those reported in 2023 and 2022, there has been a significant increase in the number of crew taken hostage – 126 in 2024 compared to 73 in 2023 and 41 in 2022. Twelve crew were reported kidnapped, compared to 14 in 2023 and two in 2022. A further 12 crew were threatened and one injured in 2024.

The carriage and use of weapons continue to be reported. In 2024, guns were reported in 26 incidents as compared to 15 in 2023. Knives were reported in 39 incidents in 2024, compared to 42 incidents in 2023.

Gulf of Guinea activity continues to remain restrained with 18 incidents reported in 2024, compared to 22 incidents reported in 2023, 19 in 2022, 35 in 2021 and 81 in 2020. Crew, however, continue to be at risk with the region responsible for 23 percent of the total number of crew taken hostage. The region also accounts for all 12 kidnapped crew.

On 21 December 2024, a Cypriot flagged Offshore Supply vessel was boarded by six pirates while underway at position Latitude 01:59.1N and Longitude 008:10.2E, around 95nm West of Bata, Equatorial Guinea, at approximately 2130UTC. The pirates attempted to force their way into the citadel where the crew had taken refuge. After several failed attempts, the pirates damaged some of the bridge equipment and parts of the accommodation. Once the pirates disembarked, the crew emerged from the citadel and sailed to a safe port. All crew members reported safe.

In east Africa, at least eight incidents were reported including the hijacking of two fishing vessels and a bulk carrier. No reported incidents in the second half of 2024. Masters are encouraged to remain vigilant and adhere to the recommendations in the latest Best Managements Practices.

Incidents in the Singapore Straits continue with 43 incidents reported in 2024, compared to 37 in 2023 and 38 in 2022. 93% of vessels targeted were boarded. Eleven large vessels over 100,000 DWT were targeted, including two over 300,000 DWT and a further three over 200,000 DWT. Crew continue to be harmed with 13 taken hostage, five threatened and one injured during the incidents. Whilst viewed as low level and opportunistic, the use of guns and knives has increased to eight and 19 in 2024 respectively compared with three and 15 in 2023. Most incidents were reported during the hours of darkness and whilst vessels were underway. The IMB PRC is concerned of late reports as well as under reporting by vessels being boarded in these waters.

A year-on-year increase in reported incidents has been observed in the Indonesian archipelago, up from 10 in 2022 and 18 in 2023 to 22 in 2024. While 20 incidents remain under the definition of armed robbery, two fall under the definition of piracy. In these two incidents, barges under tow, off Central Kalimantan, carrying scrap metals were hijacked by pirates. The crews were taken hostage for the duration of the incidents while the cargo was stolen. Thirty-one crew were taken hostage and one threatened. Knives were reported in 10 incidents and guns in three.

Anchorages in Bangladesh have seen the highest number of reported incidents in a decade. Fourteen incidents were reported in 2024, of which 13 were onboard ships anchored at Chattogram anchorage and one at Mongla anchorage. Two crew were taken hostage and a further three threatened. Knives were reported in seven incidents.

Conversely, zero incidents are recorded for Peru, specifically due to no reported incidents from vessels anchored at Callao port.

Since 1991 the IMB PRC's 24-hour manned centre, has provided the maritime industry, governments and response agencies with timely and transparent data on piracy and armed robbery incidents – received directly from the Master of the vessel or its owners.

The IMB PRC's prompt forwarding of reports and liaison with response agencies, its broadcasts to shipping via Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) Safety Net Services and email alerts to Company Security Officers, all provided free of cost, has helped the response against piracy and armed robbery and the security of seafarers, globally.

OBSERVATIONS

Narrations of the 116 attacks for 01 January to 31 December 2024 are listed on pages 31 to 50 The following serious incidents, in chronological sequence are described in more detail.

Benin:
On 05 December 2024, a Fishing Vessel, was attacked and boarded by armed robbers while underway at position Latitude 06:13.34 North and Longitude 002:32.28 East, Cotonou anchorage waters, Benin at approximately 2255 UTC. Five robbers in a wooden boat, armed with AK 47 rifles approached and boarded the fishing vessel. They took the crew hostage, stole two cell phones and kidnapped the Captain before escaping. Incident was reported to Benin Navy who dispatched a patrol boat and escorted the fishing vessel to anchorage where investigations were carried out.

Cabo Verde:
On 17 May 2024, a Palau Product Tanker MT Fidan, was hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 09:11.2 North and Longitude 027:03.9 West, around 363nm SSW of Nova Sintra, Cabo Verde, at approximately 0410 UTC. Around ten pirates armed with AK-47 rifles boarded and hijacked the tanker. All crew were made to muster on the bridge and their hands and legs were tied up. The pirates ordered the 2/E and 4/E to stop engines and drift with the intention to steal the cargo and bunkers. While waiting for the off-take vessel, the pirates stole crew and ship properties. They then moved all the crew to the steering gear room and informed the crew that there were explosive devices fixed on all doors and the crew could only exit after two hours. Once the crew emerged from the steering gear room, no pirates or explosives devices were found. The pirates had damaged the communication, internet and navigational equipment. Additionally, the air control pipes for the main engine and cylinder oil flow valves were also damaged by the pirates before escaping. The crew managed to repair the critical equipment and sail to the next port. No cargo or bunkers were stolen. All 21-crew safe.

Equatorial Guinea:
On 01 January 2024, a Tuvalu flagged Product Tanker, MT Hana 1, was boarded by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 02:33 North and Longitude 008:14 East, around 45nm South of Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea, at approximately 1945 UTC. Six pirates armed with guns attacked and boarded the tanker underway. The pirates opened fire at the bridge to gain access. They kidnapped nine crew members including the Captain and Chief Engineer. The remaining crew managed to sail the tanker to a safe port and reported the incident to the Authorities. The nine kidnapped crew members were safely released during the night hours on 29 / 30 January 2024.

On 29 May 2024, a Ghana flagged General Cargo vessel was boarded by nine armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 03:12N and Longitude 007:58E, around 28nm SW of Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea. The pirates kidnapped the Master and Chief Engineer and escaped with stolen ship provisions, crew personal effects and GMDSS equipment. Remaining crew sailed the ship to a safe port.

On 20 December 2024, a Liberian flagged container vessel was fired upon by pirates while underway at position Latitude 01:34.5N and Longitude 008:45.0E, around 62nm WSW of Bata, Equatorial Guinea at approximately 2340 UTC. Alarm raised, SSAS activated and non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. The ship proceeded at full speed and managed to evade the boarding. All crew members safe.

On 21 December 2024, a Cypriot flagged Offshore Supply vessel was boarded by six pirates while underway at position Latitude 01:59.1N and Longitude 008:10.2E, around 95nm West of Bata, Equatorial Guinea, at approximately 2130 UTC. The pirates attempted to force their way into the citadel where the crew had taken refuge. After several failed attempts, the pirates damaged some of the bridge equipment and parts of the accommodation. Once the pirates disembarked, the crew emerged from the citadel and sailed to a safe port. All crew members reported safe.

Gulf of Aden:
On 10 May 2024, a Marshall Islands flagged Product Tanker MT Chrystal Arctic, was fired upon by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 12:38.65 North and Longitude 048:24.06 East, Gulf of Aden, at approximately 0457 UTC. Around five to six pirates dressed in black clothes armed with AK-47 rifles and RPG in a skiff approached the tanker. A Grapnel hook and ladder were sighted in the skiff. Master sounded the ship's horn and altered course. As the skiff continued to approach, the armed guards showed their weapons. The pirates opened fire towards the tanker forcing the armed team to retaliate. Four rounds were fired towards the pirate skiff resulting in the skiff catching fire. The tanker then continued her voyage. All 27-crew reported safe.

Indonesia:
On 01 February 2024 an Indonesian flagged tug and barge were hijacked at position Latitude 03:37.8 South and Longitude 113:21.0 East, around 18nm SW of Tanjung Malatayur, Central Kalimantan, Indonesia. Around five to eight pirates armed with guns boarded the tug and barge while underway. They took the crew hostage and secured them in the mess room. The pirates then navigated the vessel and the next day rendezvoused with an off-take barge into which the cargo was stolen. The pirates subsequently escaped. The crew managed to release themselves and discovered that the cargo had been stolen and the navigation equipment damaged. Fortunately, the crew was able to sail to a safe anchorage.

On 22 September 2024 an Indonesian flagged tug and barge were hijacked at position Latitude 04:12.21 South and Longitude 113:49.61 East, Around 47nm South of Tanjung Malatayur, Central Kalimantan, Indonesia. Four persons armed with guns and knives boarded the tug and barge while underway. They took the crew hostage tied their hands and legs and secured them in the toilets and messroom. The perpetrators transferred the barge cargo into a tanker. Before escaping, they damaged communication and navigation equipment, stole cash and crew and tug properties. The incident lasted approximately 8 – 10 hours. Authorities were notified.

Somalia:
On 04 January 2024, a Liberian flagged Bulk Carrier, MV Lila Norfolk, was boarded by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 05:52 North and Longitude 057:14 East, around 455nm SE of Eyl, Somalia, at approximately 1314 UTC. The ship was fired upon and successfully boarded by seven pirates, in a skiff launched from a mother vessel, armed with machine guns. The ship sustained damage to bridge windows due to gunshots. The Master raised the alarm, contacted the authorities, activated the SSAS and all crew mustered in the citadel. An Indian Navy Warship responded to the distress and dispatched a helicopter to locate the ship. The warship subsequently arrived at the ship's location and the naval team boarded and searched the ship. Once clearance was given, the crew emerged from the citadel and regained control of the ship. All 21 crew members reported safe.

On 21 January 2024, a Sri Lankan flagged Fishing Vessel, FV Lorenzo Putha 4, was hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 00:35 North and Longitude 061:19 East, around 960nm East of Mogadishu, Somalia, at approximately 0330 UTC. A Seychelles Coast Guard patrol boat located the fishing vessel on 29 January 2024 and after a brief exchange of fire between the pirates and the Seychelles Coast Guard, the pirates surrendered. The Fishing Vessel was escorted to a safe port. All six crew members reported safe.

On 12 March 2024, a Bangladesh flagged Bulk Carrier, MV Abdullah, was hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 01:27 North and Longitude 054:53 East, around 550nm East of Mogadishu, Somalia, at approximately 0853 UTC. All 23 crew members were taken hostage. The vessel was sailed towards the Somali coast and anchored.

On 13 May 2024, an Iranian Fishing Vessel FV Alfajr, was hijacked by armed pirates while underway at position Latitude 06:21 North and Longitude 050:06 East, around 60nm East of Raas Cabaad, Somalia, at approximately 1125 UTC. Around six to seven pirates in a skiff armed with AK-47 rifles hijacked the fishing vessel. The pirates later released the 21 crew and disembarked from the fishing

vessel after stealing food and logistical supplies. An Indian naval warship rendered assistance and escorted the fishing vessel.

On 23 May 2024, a Liberian General Cargo ship MV Basilisk, was boarded by armed pirates while underway at the position Latitude 01:16 South and Longitude 051:07 East, around 400nm SE of Mogadishu, Somalia, at approximately 1045 UTC. Armed pirates in two skiffs boarded the ship, prompting the crew to retreat to the citadel. A warship was dispatched to the location to provide assistance and a helicopter also arrived at the scene causing the pirates to flee. All crew members are safe.

1 January – 31 December 2024

ACTUAL ATTACKS

SOUTH EAST ASIA (MALACCA STRAITS)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	26.03.2024 0900 UTC Steaming Boarded	Dark Knight Offshore Tug Palau 2599 9172284 Ambur Drill Ship - - -	01:24.35N – 103:13.98E, Malacca Straits	Four unauthorised persons in a fishing boat came alongside and boarded the drill ship towed by an offshore tug. The Master requested assistance from the IMB PRC who in turn contacted the MMEA resulting in a patrol boat being dispatched to the location. A search around the tow was carried out. No unauthorised persons were found. The vessel continued her journey.

SOUTH EAST ASIA (EXCLUDING MALACCA STRAITS)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	03.01.2024 1840 UTC Steaming Boarded	Crimson Queen Bulk Carrier Singapore 32309 9465174	01:03.20N – 103:40.53E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers armed with long knives boarded the ship underway. They entered the engine room, took hostage the 3/E, blindfolded him, secured his hands, punched him on his forehead and forced him to kneel. The robbers stole engine spares and escaped. The 3/E managed to enter the engine control room. Alarm raised and a search was carried out. Incident reported to VTS. Upon anchoring, the Singapore authorities boarded the ship for inspection.
2.	03.01.2024 2000 UTC Anchored Boarded	Name Withheld General Cargo Panama 19799 -	01:42.31N – 101:29.63E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia	Three robbers armed with guns and knives boarded the anchored ship. They took the duty engine crew as hostage and tied his hands. The robbers stole ship's engine spare parts and escaped. The duty crew managed to alert the OOW who raised the alarm. Crew mustered and a search carried out. No robbers found onboard.
3.	09.01.2024 1830 UTC Steaming Boarded	CMB Chikako Bulk Carrier Panama 34810 9701190	01:03.0N – 103:39.6E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers armed with a knife, boarded the ship underway. They took hostage and tied up one of the crew. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's engine spare parts. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS.

4.	30.01.2024 1800 UTC Steaming Boarded	Clipper I-Star Bulk Carrier Singapore 34815 9660085	01:02.6N – 103:39.5E, Singapore Straits	Six robbers armed with long knives boarded the ship underway. They entered the engine room, tied up the C/E, Oiler and blindfolded the 3/E. Alarm raised by the alert crew. Hearing the alarm, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's engine spare parts and personal belongings. Incident reported to local authority.
5.	01.02.2024 1212 UTC Steaming Hijacked	Royal Tb 27 Tug Indonesia 155 8773940 OB Royal 27 Barge Indonesia - -	03:37.8S – 113:21.0E, Around 18nm SW of Tanjung Malatayur, Central Kalimantan, Indonesia	Around five to eight pirates armed with guns boarded the tug and barge underway. They took the crew hostage and secured them in the toilet and mess room. They then navigated the vessel and the next day rendezvoused with an off-take barge into which the cargo was stolen. The pirates then escaped. The crew managed to release themselves and noticed that the cargo was stolen and navigation equipment damaged. Fortunately, the crew managed to sail to a safe anchorage.
6.	01.02.2024 1640 UTC Anchored Boarded	Nordpuma Container Cyprus 18826 9626259	14:23.11N – 120:48.63E, Manila Bay Anchorage, Philippines	Five robbers boarded the anchored ship, stole ship's stores and escaped. Alarm raised, fire hoses activated and a search was carried out. Incident reported to VTMS Manila. The Philippines Coast Guard approached the ship for inspection.
7.	19.02.2024 1910 UTC Steaming Boarded	Top Diligence General Cargo Hong Kong 31257 9767895	01:07.7N - 103:29.7E, Singapore Straits	Four robbers armed with guns boarded the ship underway. Alarm raised resulting in the robbers escaping with stolen engine spares. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS. All crew members safe.
8.	19.02.2024 2100 UTC Anchored Boarded	Globe Explorer Bulk Carrier Panama 17027 9675561	05:29.6S – 105:17.3E, Panjang Anchorage, Indonesia	Two robbers armed with long knives boarded the anchored ship and entered the engine room. The robbers were spotted by the duty oiler who managed to evade being captured and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers escaping with stolen ship's engine spares. Incident reported to VTS.
9.	28.02.2024 1816 UTC Anchored Boarded	African Halcyon General Cargo Bahamas 20236 9343613	01:46N – 101:22E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia	Duty crew onboard an anchored ship noticed four unauthorised persons and raised the alarm. Seeing the crew alertness, the persons escaped without stealing anything. Authorities boarded the ship for inspection.
10.	29.02.2024 1910 UTC Anchored Boarded	Boka Vanguard Heavy Load Carrier Curacao 91784 9618783	01:11.6N – 103:59.0E, Batam Anchorage, Indonesia	Three robbers armed with knives boarded the anchored ship. Duty watchmen noticed the robbers and informed the OOW who raised the alarm. The robbers threatened the duty watchmen before escaping with the stolen ship's properties.

11.	03.03.2024 1850 UTC Steaming Boarded	Alpha Hope Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 92758 9446582	01:07.6N – 103:31.5E, Singapore Straits	Duty crew on routine rounds onboard the ship underway noticed two unauthorised persons onboard. General alarm raised. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the persons jumped overboard and escaped without stealing anything. Footprints were noticed on the main deck. The incident was reported to Singapore VTIS and the ship was escorted to the anchorage by the Singapore Coast Guard.
12.	05.03.2024 1630 UTC Steaming Boarded	Apiradee Naree Bulk Carrier Singapore 33032 9613410	01:06.68N – 103:44.95E, Singapore Straits	Three robbers armed with a rod boarded the ship underway. Duty crew noticed the robbers entering the engine room. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped empty handed.
13.	29.03.2024 1558 UTC Steaming Boarded	George Island Bulk Carrier Liberia 92752 9573749	01:03.43N – 103:39.22E, Singapore Straits	Three robbers armed with knives boarded the ship underway and entered the engine room. Alert duty crew noticed the robbers and raised the alarm, resulting in the robbers escaping empty-handed. All crew safe.
14.	03.04.2024 1810 UTC Berthed Boarded	Shakespeare Bay Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 19801 9542661	03:22.3N – 099:28.2E, Kuala Tanjung Port, Indonesia	Three robbers armed with knives boarded the berthed ship. They entered the engine room, took hostage the duty crew and tied his hands. The robbers released the duty crew before escaping with stolen ship's engine spare parts.
15.	12.04.2024 2125 UTC Anchored Boarded	Solar Roma Product Tanker Liberia 18335 9887372	01:17.98S – 116:47.93E, Balikpapan Anchorage, Indonesia	Four unauthorised persons boarded the anchored tanker. They broke into the forecastle store and escaped with ship's stores and properties. Incident reported to Balikpapan port control.
16.	13.04.2024 1847 UTC Steaming Boarded	Casanova Bulk Carrier Bahamas 92249 9454151	01:04.5N – 103:40.9E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers armed with pistols boarded the ship underway. They pointed the pistols at the duty engineer, tied his hands and placed him face-down on the floor. General alarm raised, PA announcement made and crew mustered. VTIS informed. The robbers escaped with ship's engine spare parts.
17.	09.05.2024 1920 UTC Anchored Boarded	ESL Dachan Bay Container Portugal 59176 9535216	14:35.53N – 120:50.73E, Manila Anchorage, Philippines	Duty crew onboard the anchored ship noticed two unauthorised persons near the forecastle. Alarm raised, PA announcement made and crew mustered resulting in the persons escaping with stolen ship's stores. Incident reported to VTMS Manila and the Philippines coast guard.
18.	14.05.2024 2117 UTC Anchored Boarded	Murou General Cargo Panama 10650 9539391	01:42.4N – 101:28.3E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia	Duty crew onboard an anchored ship noticed three unauthorised persons attempting to enter the engine room. Alarm raised and PA announcement

				made resulting in the persons escaping empty handed.
19.	20.05.2024 2040 UTC Steaming Boarded	GCL Leader Bulk Carrier Liberia 43424 9902550	01:04.3N – 103:35.7E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers armed with knives boarded the ship underway. They entered the engine room, took hostage the duty crew and tied his hands. The robbers released the duty crew before escaping with stolen ship's engine spare parts.
20.	21.05.2024 0735 UTC Steaming Boarded	Marvel 3 Tug Malaysia 151 - Serudong 8 Barge Malaysia 1513 -	01:31.06N – 104:34.01E, Around 17nm East of Tanjung Penawar, Johor, Malaysia	Duty crew onboard the tug towing a barge noticed persons in four boats boarding the barge, stealing its cargo of scrap metals and escaping. Alarm raised and Singapore VTIS and Johor port notified via VHF radio.
21.	24.05.2024 1910 UTC Anchored Boarded	Irvine Bay Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 23268 9682928	01:42N – 101:29E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia	Around 3-4 robbers armed with knives and iron bars boarded the anchored ship. They stole ship's engine spares and escaped. The theft was noticed on the CCTV. Incident reported to Dumai VTS by VHF.
22.	26.05.2024 1845 UTC Anchored Boarded	Ocean Dream Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 43310 9860324	01:09.40N – 103:27.55E, Singapore Straits	Four unauthorised persons boarded the anchored ship, stole ship's engine spares and escaped. The theft was noticed on the CCTV after the ship sailed. Incident reported to Singapore Authorities.
23.	04.06.2024 1730 UTC Anchored Boarded	Avatar Courage Offshore Tug Singapore 1706 9559028	01:09.47N – 103:58.54E, Batam Anchorage, Indonesia	Three robbers armed with long knives boarded the anchored ship. The duty AB noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Crew mustered and VTS Batam informed. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped. A patrol boat came to investigate. Nothing reported stolen.
24.	09.06.2024 2035 UTC Steaming Boarded	G.B. Corrado Bulk Carrier Bahamas 40154 9314624	01:08.3N – 103:28.9E, Singapore Straits	Four robbers armed with knives boarded the ship and entered the engine room. Duty engineer noticed the robbers and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers escaping with ship's engine spares.
25.	10.06.2024 2030 UTC Steaming Boarded	Santa Regina Bulk Carrier Panama 43314 9675274	01:03.4N – 103:37.5E, Singapore Straits	Six robbers armed with knives, boarded the ship underway. C/E informed the OOW that two crews were found tied up in the E/rm workshop. Alarm raised and PA announcement made. A search was carried out and another crew who was also tied up by the robbers was found on the upper deck. Ship's engine spare parts and crew belongings were reported as stolen. Incident reported to Singapore Authorities after anchoring.

26.	14.06.2024 1810 UTC Steaming Boarded	Ivestos 9 Bulk Carrier Liberia 40198 9349306	01:02.50N – 103:38.37E, Singapore Straits	Four robbers armed with long knives boarded the ship while underway and entered the engine room. Alert engine crew spotted the robbers and raised the alarm. The robbers escaped with stolen ship's properties. Incident reported to the port operations control centre and upon anchoring, the coast guard boarded the ship to investigate.
27.	24.06.2024 2030 UTC Anchored Boarded	Dongbang Giant No. 6 Heavy Load Carrier South Korea 14462 9593397	01:06.9N – 104:10.6E, Kabil Anchorage, Batam, Indonesia	Two unauthorised persons wearing face masks boarded an anchored ship and entered the engine room. They attempted to take hostage the duty engine crew, who managed to escape and raise the alarm. Crew mustered and VTS and the coast guard notified. A search was carried out. Engine spares were reported stolen. The coast guard responded and conducted an inspection upon boarding the ship.
28.	26.06.2024 1910 UTC Steaming Boarded	Ivestos 8 Bulk Carrier Liberia 40198 9357755	01:10.65N – 103:28.58E, Singapore Straits	Duty crew on routine rounds onboard the ship underway noticed one unauthorised person onboard. Alarm raised and crew mustered resulting in the person escaping without stealing anything. Incident reported to Singapore VTIS.
29.	07.07.2024 2010 UTC Steaming Boarded	Orihime Ore Carrier Japan 132647 9621235	01:03.4N – 103:38.4E, Singapore Straits	Alert crew onboard the ship underway noticed two unauthorised persons onboard. Alarm raised and crew mustered resulting in the persons escaping empty handed. Singapore VTS notified.
30.	15.07.2024 0840 UTC Steaming Boarded	HK Tug 9 Tug Singapore 299 9767120 LKH 2882 Barge - 4430 -	01:15.82N – 104:11.49E, Singapore Straits	Three small boats, each carrying 3-4 persons, approached and boarded the barge under tow. The alert crew raised the alarm to deter the boats and informed VTIS. The individuals stole some of the barge cargo of scrap metals and escaped. After one hour, another four boats came alongside the barge and also stole some of the scrap metals cargo.
31.	15.07.2024 1812 UTC Steaming Boarded	Wadi Feran Bulk Carrier Egypt 33234 9460083	01:02.9N – 103:39.9E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers armed with guns and knives boarded the ship underway. Alarm raised and crew mustered resulting in the robbers escaping without stealing anything. Incident reported to Singapore coastal authorities and the Singapore Coast Guard boarded the ship for investigations.
32.	20.07.2024 2040 UTC Anchored	Earth Harmony Bulk Carrier Panama	03:26N – 099:27E,	Three robbers armed with long knives boarded an anchored ship. They entered the engine room, took hostage the duty

	Boarded	22664 9832470	Kuala Tanjung Anchorage, Indonesia	engine crew and tied him up. Before leaving the ship, they stole ship's engine spares, released the duty crew and escaped. Alarm raised, crew mustered and incident reported to Port Facility via agent.
33.	22.07.2024 1655 UTC Steaming Boarded	Corinna Bulk Carrier Greece 43951 9593842	01:03.98N – 103:40.14E, Singapore Straits	Four robbers armed with knives boarded the ship underway and entered the engine room. The Chief Engineer noticed the robbers and raised the alarm resulting in the robbers escaping with stolen engine spares. Crew mustered and VTIS informed. The coast guard responded and inspected the ship upon anchoring.
34.	28.07.2024 1830 UTC Steaming Boarded	Berge Mauna Loa Bulk Carrier Isle of Man 108956 9951941	01:04.63N – 103:41.75E, Singapore Straits	Alert crew onboard the ship underway noticed three unauthorised persons on board. Alarm raised, crew mustered and VTS notified, resulting in the persons escaping. The coast guard inspected the ship upon anchoring at the designated anchorage area.
35.	28.07.2024 2112 UTC Steaming Boarded	Thisseas Bulk Carrier Liberia 41101 9493896	01:03.45N – 103:40.54E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers boarded the ship while it was underway. The Third Engineer (3/E) spotted the robbers on the poop deck. One of the robbers threatened the 3/E with a knife, prompting him to retreat into the accommodation and secure the entrance. Alarm raised, PA announcement made and all deck lights switched on. The Vessel Traffic Information System (VTIS) and nearby ships were notified via VHF channels. Crew mustered and a thorough search of the ship was conducted. A patrol boat followed the ship and upon anchoring, the coast guard boarded the ship to investigate. No robbers were found onboard. Nothing reported stolen.
36.	03.08.2024 2000 UTC Anchored Boarded	Spec Nichole Offshore Supply Ship Liberia 2721 9701126	01:09.7N – 103:57.7E, Batam Anchorage, Indonesia	Two unauthorised persons boarded an anchored vessel and escaped with ship's properties The theft was discovered in the morning by the crew.
37.	05.08.2024 0905 UTC Steaming Boarded	HK Tug 3 Tug Singapore 253 9399686 LKH 3883 Barge - 1847 -	01:15.43N – 104:11.50E, Singapore Straits	Several boats approached the barge under tow. Crew saw several persons from the boats boarding the barge and stealing its cargo of scrap metals. The incident was reported to VTIS.

38.	05.08.2024 1710 UTC Steaming Boarded	Ultra Colonsay Bulk Carrier Panama 34778 9448217	01:03.1N – 103:38.3E, Singapore Straits	Six robbers armed with knives and sickle boarded the ship underway. They entered the engine room, took the chief engineer hostage and tied his hands and feet. Before escaping, the robbers stole ship's properties. The chief engineer freed himself and raised the alarm. Incident reported to VTS. Singapore Coast Guard escorted the ship to a safe anchorage and boarded for investigations.
39.	10.08.2024 2045 UTC Steaming Boarded	Aphrodite L Bulk Carrier Liberia 44262 9487615	01:04.5N – 103:42.2E, Singapore Straits	Alert crew onboard the ship underway noticed two unauthorised persons onboard. Alarm raised and crew mustered, resulting in the persons escaping empty handed. Incident reported to VTS. Singapore Coast Guard escorted the ship to a safe anchorage and boarded for investigations.
40.	23.08.2024 0430 UTC Steaming Boarded	JIN HWA 49 Tug Malaysia 143 9373981 JIN HWA 39 Barge Malaysia 1479 -	01:17.50N – 104:08.60E, Singapore Straits	Seven unauthorised persons boarded the barge undertow. Crew onboard the tug noticed the perpetrators, raised the alarm and alerted Singapore VTS. The persons escaped with stolen scrap metals when they saw the Coast Guard approaching.
41.	13.09.2024 1620 UTC Steaming Boarded	Sea Voyager Bulk Carrier Panama 55946 9799707	01:04.2N – 103:37.0E, Singapore Straits	Duty oiler onboard the ship underway spotted five masked robbers armed with weapons in the engine room. Alarm raised, crew mustered and incident reported to VTIS, the local agent and the DPA. A search of the engine room was conducted. No robbers or missing items identified. The ship was escorted by a naval patrol vessel to the pilot station, where the coast guard conducted a search.
42.	13.09.2024 1725 UTC Steaming Boarded	Atlantic Tiger Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 109731 9874612	01:03.4N – 103:38.3E, Singapore Straits	Duty crew onboard the ship underway spotted an unauthorised person on the main deck and notified the bridge. Alarm raised, crew mustered and VTIS notified. Seeing the alerted crew the person escaped.
43.	22.09.2024 1130 UTC Steaming Hijacked	Royal Tb 17 Tug Indonesia 155 8798720 OB Royal 17 Barge	04:12.21S – 113:49.61E, Around 47nm South of Tanjung Malatayur, Central Kalimantan,	Four persons armed with guns and knives boarded the tug and barge while underway. They took the crew hostage tied their hands and legs and secured them in the toilets and messroom. The perpetrators transferred the barge's cargo into a tanker. Before escaping, they damaged communication and

		Indonesia 1975 -	Indonesia	navigation equipment and stole crew and tug cash and properties. The incident lasted approximately 8-10 hours. The Indonesian authorities are investigating the incident.
44.	29.09.2024 1702 UTC Steaming Boarded	Name Withheld Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 33910 -	01:05.6N – 103:43.7E, Singapore Straits	Duty oiler on the ship underway noticed five unauthorised persons, with their face covered, in the engine room. One perpetrator appeared to be carrying a gun. Alarm raised, crew mustered and VTIS notified. Upon hearing the alarm, the perpetrators escaped without stealing anything. The coast guard boarded the ship for an inspection.
45.	01.10.2024 1631 UTC Steaming Boarded	Torex Tanker Cook Islands 58127 9257814	01:04.7N – 103:43.0E, Singapore Straits	Five robbers armed with knives in a boat approached and boarded the tanker underway. They entered the engine room, threatened the duty engineer and escaped with stolen engine stores. Alarm raised, crew mustered and a search was carried out. No robbers were found. The incident was reported to VTS Central.
46.	15.10.2024 2110 UTC Anchored Boarded	Genco Constellation Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 36421 9714678	05:30.05S – 105:17.25E, Panjang Anchorage, Indonesia	Duty AB onboard an anchored ship noticed an unauthorised person on deck and raised the alarm resulting in the person escaping. A search was carried out, engine room store's and ship's spares reported stolen. Incident reported to Panjang VTS.
47.	16.10.2024 1915 UTC Anchored Boarded	Name Withheld Product Tanker Singapore 29783 -	03:53.9N – 098:48.00E, Belawan Anchorage, Indonesia	Two robbers armed with knives boarded an anchored tanker. OOW notified. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's spares.
48.	17.10.2024 1655 UTC Steaming Boarded	Nyon Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 35564 9888039	01:07.8N – 103:29.4E, Singapore Straits	Duty motorman onboard the ship underway spotted five robbers armed with knives in the engine room. Alarm raised, SSAS activated and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew's alertness the robbers escaped. The incident was reported to VTIS. A search was made. Nothing reported stolen.
49.	17.10.2024 1810 UTC Steaming Boarded	Aspasia Luck Bulk Carrier Liberia 37722 9223485	01:07.4N – 103:30.8E, Singapore Straits	Duty Oiler onboard the ship underway noticed 10 robbers armed with knives and pipes in the engine room. Alarm raised, ship's horn sounded, PA announcement made and crew mustered. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew's response the robbers escaped without stealing anything. The incident was reported to VTIS, and the coast guard conducted an inspection.

50.	17.10.2024 1834 UTC Steaming Boarded	Maran Spirit Bulk Carrier Malta 93128 9721011	01:05.27N – 103:42.63E, Singapore Straits	Duty crew on the ship underway noticed four unauthorised persons with their face covered in the engine room. Alarm raised, crew mustered and VTIS notified. Upon hearing the alarm, the perpetrators escaped without stealing anything. The Coast Guard boarded the ship to investigate.
51.	19.10.2024 1705 UTC Berthed Boarded	Name Withheld Product Tanker Panama 29168 -	13:45.86N – 120:57.70E, Mabini Sea Oil Terminal, Batangas, Philippines	A robber armed with a handgun boarded the berthed tanker during cargo operations. Ship's crew spotted the robber on the forecastle deck and raised the alarm. The robber pointed the handgun towards the crew and escaped. Master informed VTMS and the coast guard and police boarded the tanker and carried out a search. Ship's properties were reported stolen.
52.	22.10.2024 1609 UTC Steaming Boarded	Al Derwazah Tanker Kuwait 165178 9653410	01:03.7N – 103:40.0E, Singapore Straits	Around five to six robbers armed with knives boarded the tanker underway. They entered the engine room, tied up the C/E with a rope, stole his personal belongings and escaped. Alarm raised, crew mustered and VTIS notified. The Coast Guard boarded the tanker to investigate. It was reported that ship's engine spares were also stolen.
53.	24.10.2024 1700 UTC Steaming Boarded	GL La Paz Bulk Carrier Panama 51905 9599183	01:08.0N – 103:30.6E, Singapore Straits	Four armed robbers boarded the ship underway and stole engine spares. The duty oiler encountered them in the engine room and raised the alarm. The robbers pointed guns at the crew before escaping. The incident was reported to local authorities.
54.	12.11.2024 1720 UTC Steaming Boarded	Oshima Trader Bulk Carrier Philippines 43310 9867580	01:02.77N – 103:39.45E, Singapore Straits	Duty crew on the ship underway spotted three robbers armed with guns and long knives inside the engine room. Alarm raised and VTIS notified. The Coast Guard escorted and boarded the ship for investigation. Engine spare parts were reported stolen.
55.	13.11.2024 2106 UTC Steaming Boarded	Saga Fjord General Cargo Hong Kong 37499 9613862	01:02.8N – 103:38.3E, Singapore Straits	Around 7-8 robbers armed with a gun boarded the ship underway and entered the engine room. One robber pointed the gun at the 3/E while others stole ship's properties and spares. The 3/E raised the alarm after the robbers left the engine room. Crew mustered and a search was conducted. Coast guard inspected the ship upon arrival at Singapore anchorage.
56.	19.11.2024 1449 UTC Steaming Boarded	Ammos Bulk Carrier Bahamas 17019 9573804	01:05.49N – 103:44.03E, Singapore Straits	Three unauthorised individuals wearing facemasks boarded the ship underway and entered the engine room. The duty engineer raised the alarm when they were seen escaping. Crew mustered,

				conducted a search and found nothing stolen. The coast guard boarded the ship for inspection upon arrival at Singapore anchorage.
57.	19.11.2024 2110 UTC Steaming Boarded	Genco Lion Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 93290 9593464	01:04.6N – 103:41.6E, Singapore Straits	Four robbers armed with long knives boarded the ship underway and entered the engine room. They tied up the duty motorman and fled after warning him to stay quiet. The motorman ran to the ECR and informed the 2/E who raised the alarm. Crew conducted a search and found nothing missing. The incident was reported to VTIS Central. Coast guard boarded the ship at Singapore anchorage to ensure crew safety.
58.	22.11.2024 1750 UTC Steaming Boarded	HTK Confidence Bulk Carrier Vietnam 16960 9412969	01:04.08N – 103:42.38E, Singapore Straits	Around three to four robbers with faces covered and armed with long knives boarded the ship underway. They entered the engine room and stole engine spares. The duty Engineer noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. VTIS Central notified and coast guard boarded the ship to conduct a search. No robbers found onboard. One crew member sustained a minor injury during the incident.
59.	23.11.2024 1700 UTC Steaming Boarded	Theodore Jr Bulk Carrier Panama 43037 9739020	01:03.9N – 103:41.3E, Singapore Straits	Duty crew onboard the ship underway spotted six robbers armed with long knives. Alarm raised, crew mustered and VTIS notified. The Coast Guard boarded the ship to investigate. Ship's engine spares were reported stolen.
60.	09.12.2024 0005 UTC Steaming Boarded	Dalma Tanker Liberia 157844 9322279	01:03.5N – 103:39.8E, Singapore Straits	During routine rounds onboard the tanker underway duty crew noticed the padlock to the emergency generator room broken and ship's property stolen.
61.	13.12.2024 2035 UTC Anchored Boarded	AM Ocean Pride Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 33042 9427330	05:31.17S – 105:18.15E, Tarahan Anchorage, Indonesia	Duty crew on routine rounds on board an anchored ship noticed four robbers armed with knives on the poop deck. Alarm raised and crew alerted. Upon hearing the alarm and noticing the crew's vigilance, the robbers fled empty-handed in their boat. The incident was reported to Vessel Traffic Service.

EAST ASIA

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	29.05.2024 1220 UTC	AAL Merkur General Cargo	10:12N – 107:03E,	An unauthorized person boarded the anchored ship. Alert duty crew noticed

	Anchored Boarded	Liberia 22863 9509695	Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam	the individual, shouted at him and raised the alarm resulting in the person escaping empty-handed in a wooden boat along with two accomplices.
2.	18.12.2024 2100 UTC Anchored Boarded	Nordmaas Container Cyprus 19035 9822736	09:59N – 107:04E, Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam	Unnoticed, robbers boarded an anchored ship, stole ship's stores and escaped. The theft was noticed during routine rounds.

INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	24.01.2024 1740 UTC Anchored Boarded	Regency Product Tanker India 27969 9258363	17:03.32N – 082:24.42E, Kakinada Anchorage, India	OOW onboard the anchored tanker noticed a fishing boat roaming suspiciously close to the vessel. The OOW instructed the duty crew to investigate. As the duty crew made his way forward, he noticed one unauthorised person jumping overboard and escaping with five accomplices in their boat. Ship's stores were reported stolen. Port control informed.
2.	26.01.2024 2000 UTC Anchored Boarded	White Peach Product Tanker Marshall Islands 29283 9328144	17:01.94N – 082:21.64E, Kakinada Anchorage, India	OOW onboard the anchored tanker noticed unauthorised persons lowering ship's stores into a small boat alongside. Alarm raised and ship's whistle activated. Hearing the alarm and seeing the crew alertness, the persons escaped with the stolen stores. Pilot station notified. The master was advised to lodge a police report through the agent.
3.	03.02.2024 0010 UTC Anchored Boarded	Name Withheld Container Portugal 7852 -	22:09.8N – 091:46.4E, Chattogram Inner Anchorage, Bangladesh	Two unauthorised persons boarded the anchored ship. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew's alertness, the persons escaped empty handed.
4.	16.02.2024 1530 UTC Anchored Boarded	Maersk Hai Phong Container Liberia 32828 9858735	21:55.20N – 091:44.58E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Duty watchkeepers onboard the anchored ship noticed four robbers armed with knives and other weapons and raised the alarm. Master notified port control, coast guard and agent. After the robbers left, a search was carried out. Ship's stores reported stolen.
5.	18.02.2024 1940 UTC Anchored Boarded	Gas Courage LPG Tanker Panama 46907 9240419	21:49.92N – 091:42.84E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Alert duty crew onboard the anchored tanker noticed five robbers armed with knives. Ship's horn sounded and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's properties. The incident was reported to

				the coast guard who responded, apprehended the robbers and recovered the stolen items.
6.	02.03.2024 2145 UTC Anchored Boarded	Era Star LPG Tanker Liberia 4963 9988061	21:50.93N – 089:31.82E, Mongla Anchorage, Bangladesh	Eight robbers armed with knives boarded the anchored tanker. Ship's horn sounded, PA announcement made and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores.
7.	27.03.2024 2125 UTC Anchored Boarded	Viva Cosmos Bulk Carrier Panama 30363 9251327	21:48.7N – 091:47.9E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Eight robbers armed with knives boarded the anchored ship. Alarm raised and crew mustered. Seeing the crew alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's store.
8.	07.04.2024 1958 UTC Anchored Boarded	Maersk Chattogram Container Singapore 31649 9761023	21:55.74N – 091:42.76E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Duty crew onboard the anchored ship noticed two unauthorised persons near the forecastle store. Alarm raised, crew mustered and Coast Guard notified. Hearing the alarm, the persons escaped with ship's stores. A Coast Guard boat responded and searched the sea area around the ship and later boarded the ship for investigations.
9.	12.05.2024 2145 UTC Anchored Boarded	Largo Eden Product Tanker Liberia 28630 9935909	22:16.9N – 091:42.6E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Five robbers armed with long knives boarded an anchored tanker. Duty AB on rounds noticed some movements on the poop deck and raised the alarm. Crew mustered and a search was carried out. Two watchmen were found tied up. Paint store lock was broken and ship's stores stolen. Incident reported to coast guard.
10.	12.10.2024 1948 UTC Anchored Boarded	Name Withheld Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 35832 -	21:48.70N – 091:47.10E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Local watchman onboard an anchored ship noticed two unauthorised persons on the forward deck and raised the alarm resulting in the persons escaping in small boats with a further 10 accomplices. Upon inspection the crew noticed the forward stores were broken into and ship's stores and property stolen. Mobile phones of stevedores asleep near the forward deck were also stolen.
11.	20.11.2024 1900 UTC Anchored Boarded	Ceylon Princess Bulk Carrier Sri Lanka 36432 9734575	21:23.44N – 091:48.64E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Eleven unauthorised persons boarded an anchored ship. Alert duty crew noticed the persons and immediately raised the alarm resulting in them escaping empty handed. The incident was reported to Port Authority and Navy.
12.	19.12.2024 1530 UTC Anchored Boarded	Name Withheld Heavy Load Carrier Marshall Islands 49091 -	21:35.68N – 091:47.86E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Around seven robbers armed with machetes boarded an anchored ship. They threatened the duty crew with machetes, snatched his UHF radio and personal mobile phone and stole ship's property before escaping in a wooden

				boat. No injuries were reported. The incident was reported to Port Control.
13.	28.12.2024 1930 UTC Anchored Boarded	Oriole Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 33064 9441374	21:49.8N – 091: 46.8E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Three robbers armed with knives and iron bars boarded an anchored ship. Duty AB on routine rounds was threatened as he spotted the robbers trying to break into the forecastle store. The AB managed to escape. Alarm raised. The robbers threatened the local watchman who responded, before escaping with four accomplices waiting in their boat. A search was conducted and no items were reported missing. Port Control notified.

AMERICAS

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	12.04.2024 2348 UTC Berthed Boarded	Asian Trader Container Cyprus 9966 9245689	06:48.6N – 058:10.1W, Georgetown Port, Guyana	The ship was boarded by three robbers armed with knives during berthing manoeuvres. Alarm raised and crew mustered, resulting in the robbers escaping. Incident reported to VTS. A patrol boat searched the seaward side of the ship while a security team performed a search on the ship.

AFRICA (SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	04.01.2024 1314 UTC Steaming Boarded	Lila Norfolk Bulk Carrier Liberia 84448 9281700	05:52N – 057:14E, Around 455nm SE of Eyl, Somalia	The ship underway was approached, fired upon and boarded by seven pirates in a skiff launched from a mother vessel. The pirates were armed with machine guns and a rocket launcher. Master raised the alarm, contacted local authorities, activated SSAS and all crew mustered in citadel. An Indian navy warship responded to the distress and dispatched its helicopter to locate the ship. The warship arrived at the location and its naval boarding team searched the ship. Once the clearance was given, the crew emerged from the citadel and regained control of the ship. All crew safe.
2.	27.01.2024 0330 UTC Steaming Hijacked	Lorenzo Putha 4 Fishing Vessel Sri Lanka -	00:35N – 061:19E,	Three armed pirates hijacked the fishing vessel while underway. The Seychelles Coast Guard located the fishing vessel on 29 January 2024.

		-	Around 960nm East of Mogadishu, Somalia	After a brief exchange of fire with the pirates the Seychelles Coast Guard boarded the vessel, apprehended the pirates and rescued the crew. The fishing vessel was escorted to a safe port. All crew safe.
3.	12.03.2024 0853 UTC Steaming Hijacked	Abdullah Bulk Carrier Bangladesh 32714 9745598	01:27N – 054:53E, Around 550nm East of Mogadishu, Somalia	Pirates hijacked the ship underway. SSAS activated and all 23 crew were taken hostage by the pirates who then sailed the ship and anchored it off the Somali coast. On 14/04/2024, the ship was released and escorted by EU NAVFOR.
4.	13.05.2024 1125 UTC Steaming Hijacked	ALFAJR Fishing Vessel Iran - -	06:21N – 050:06E, Around 60nm East of Raas Cabaad, Somalia	Around six to seven pirates in a skiff armed with AK-47 rifles hijacked the fishing vessel underway. The pirates released the 21 crew and the fishing vessel after food and logistical supplies were stolen. An Indian Naval Warship escorted the vessel until safe.
5.	23.05.2024 1045 UTC Steaming Boarded	Basilisk General Cargo Liberia 14859 9539377	01:16S – 051:07E, Around 400nm SE of Mogadishu, Somalia	Armed pirates in two small crafts boarded the ship underway. The crew retreated to the citadel. Seeing the approaching warship and helicopter the pirates escaped. All crew safe.

AFRICA (EXCLUDING SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	01.01.2024 1945 UTC Steaming Boarded	Hana I Product Tanker Tuvalu 8539 9340398	02:33N – 008:14E, Around 45nm South of Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea	Six pirates armed with guns boarded the tanker underway and opened fire on the bridge. They kidnapped nine crew members including the Captain and C/E. Remaining crew sailed to a safe port and reported the incident to the Authorities. The nine kidnapped crew were released during the night hours of 29 / 30 Jan 2024.
2.	03.01.2024 0001 UTC Anchored Boarded	Bourbon Explorer 519 Fire Fighting Vessel France 3147 9654347	08:44.4S – 013:18.2E, Luanda Anchorage, Angola	Three persons in a canoe approached and boarded the anchored vessel. They stole ship's properties and escaped. The theft was noticed during routine rounds in the morning hours.
3.	07.01.2024 2330 UTC Anchored Boarded	Rathbone Product Tanker Nigeria 7446 9341380	08:42.00S – 013:16.85E, Luanda Anchorage, Angola	Five persons in a small fishing boat approached and boarded the anchored tanker. Security watchmen onboard the tanker noticed the unauthorised persons and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the persons escaped with stolen ship's properties. The

				incident was reported to the port control.
4.	14.01.2024 Night Hours Anchored Boarded	Name Withheld Offshore Supply Ship Bahamas 3790 -	06:05S - 012:15E, Soyo Anchorage, Angola	Unnoticed, thieves boarded an anchored offshore supply vessel, stole ship's properties and escaped. The theft was noticed during routine rounds in the morning hours.
5.	25.01.2024 0030 UTC Anchored Boarded	Aurora Diamond Offshore Supply Ship Liberia 3832 9648025	08:44.4S – 013:17.2E, Luanda Anchorage, Angola	Unauthorised persons boarded an anchored offshore supply ship, stole ship's stores and escaped. The theft was noticed when the OOW sighted a small boat moving away from the vessel and duty watchman instructed to investigate. The incident was reported to the port authorities.
6.	16.02.2024 - Berthed Boarded	Severn Product Tanker Liberia 30087 9859234	06:21.1N – 010:47.8W, Monrovia Port, Liberia	Unnoticed persons boarded the berthed tanker, stole ship's properties and escaped. The theft was noticed after the tanker sailed.
7.	14.05.2024 0500 UTC Berthed Boarded	Lodur Container Antigua and Barbuda 35881 9219381	09:30.57N – 013:43.40W, Conakry Port, Guinea	Duty crew noticed the engine of the rescue boat missing and reported it as stolen during the port stay.
8.	17.05.2024 0410 UTC Steaming Hijacked	Fidan Product Tanker Palau 29338 9423736	09:11.2N – 027:03.9W, Around 363nm SSW of Nova Sintra, Cabo Verde	Ten pirates armed with AK-47 rifles hijacked the tanker underway. All crew were made to mustered on the bridge where their hands and legs were tied. The pirates ordered the 2/E and 4/E to stop engines and drift with the intention of stealing the cargo and bunkers. While waiting for the off-take vessel the pirates stole crew and ship properties. They then moved all the crew into the steering gear room and informed the crew that there were explosive devices fixed on all doors and the crew could only exit after two hours. Once the crew emerged from the steering gear room, no pirates or explosives were found. The pirates had damaged the communication, internet, navigational equipment and the air control pipes for the main engine and cylinder oil flow valves before escaping. The crew managed to repair the critical equipment and sail to the next port. No cargo or bunkers stolen.
9.	29.05.2024 2110 UTC Steaming Boarded	Name Withheld General Cargo Ghana 999 -	03:12N – 007:58E, Around 28nm SW of Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea	Around nine pirates boarded the ship underway. They kidnapped the Master and Chief Engineer and escaped with stolen ship provisions, crew personal effects and GMDSS equipment.

				Remaining crew sailed the ship to a safe port.
10.	20.06.2024 0150-0230 UTC Anchored Boarded	Maersk Sarnia Container Singapore 93511 9289946	08:44.3S – 013:18.9E, Luanda Anchorage, Angola	The anchored ship was boarded by an unauthorised person via the anchor chain. Ship's properties reported stolen. Incident reported to the port authorities.
11.	02.07.2024 2325 UTC Anchored Boarded	Corinthian LPG Tanker Panama 5849 9746786	00:17.68N – 009:25.30E, Owendo Anchorage, Gabon	Three unauthorised persons boarded an anchored tanker. Alert crew noticed the persons and raised the alarm, called the port control and secured themselves in the accommodation. Hearing the alarm, the persons escaped in their speed boat. Gabon navy responded in a timely manner and searched the tanker. No unauthorised persons found.
12.	13.08.2024 0115 UTC Anchored Boarded	Bourbon Liberty 320 Offshore Tug St Vincent and Grenadines 2245 9619206	05:16.11N – 004:02.16W, Abidjan Anchorage, Ivory Coast	An unauthorised person boarded an anchored offshore tug via a canoe. The vigilant crew noticed the person and raised the alarm, resulting in the person escaping with his accomplice in the canoe with stolen ship's stores. Incident reported to the port authorities. A security boat was dispatched towards the coast where the persons had abandoned the stolen ship's stores while escaping from the authorities.
13.	18.10.2024 2219 UTC Anchored Boarded	Pearl Island Bulk Carrier Hong Kong 35606 9801720	04:52.70N – 001:41.19W, Takoradi Anchorage, Ghana	Duty AB onboard an anchored ship noticed some movements near the forward cargo hold. Alarm raised and crew mustered, resulting in the persons escaping empty handed. Incident was reported to the Port Operations Control Center and the Coast Guard boarded the ship to investigate.
14.	28.11.2024 0340 UTC Berthed Boarded	Navios Destiny Container Marshall Islands 39906 9352418	06:25.92N – 003:21.26E, Tin Can Port, Nigeria	Around 15-20 robbers armed with knives boarded the berthed ship and took hostage the duty AB, a stevedore and the Bosun. The robbers stole cargo from containers and when noticed by a watchman, escaped. Alarm raised and incident reported to the port authorities.
15.	05.12.2024 2255 UTC Steaming Boarded	Name Withheld Fishing Vessel - - -	06:13.34N – 002:32.28E, Cotonou Anchorage, Benin	Five robbers in a wooden boat, armed with AK47 rifles approached and boarded the fishing vessel. They took the crew hostage, stole two cell phones and kidnapped the Captain before escaping. Incident reported to the Benin Navy who dispatched a patrol boat and escorted the fishing vessel to anchorage where investigations are ongoing.
16.	07.12.2024 2250 UTC Anchored Boarded	Irene Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 34626	04:53.3N – 001:39.5W, Takoradi Anchorage,	Duty crew on routine rounds onboard an anchored ship spotted three robbers armed with knives near the forecastle store. Alarm raised, PA announcement

		9757931	Ghana	made and local authorities notified. One of the robbers threatened the duty watchman while the others continued to look for items to steal. On seeing the approaching patrol boat, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's properties.
17.	21.12.2024 2130 UTC Steaming Boarded	Bourbon Liberty 234 Offshore Supply Ship Cyprus 1733 9579602	01:59.1N – 008:10.2E, Around 95nm West of Bata, Equatorial Guinea	Six pirates in a speedboat boarded an offshore supply vessel underway and attempted to force their way into the citadel where the crew had taken refuge. After several failed attempts, the pirates damaged some of the bridge equipment and accommodation. Once the pirates disembarked, the crew emerged from the citadel and sailed to a safe port. All crew members reported safe.

ATTEMPTED ATTACKS

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SOUTH EAST ASIA (EXCLUDING MALACCA STRAITS)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	03.01.2024 1650 UTC Anchored Attempted	Helga Oldendorff Bulk Carrier Portugal 107700 9713040	01:21.37S – 116:59.70E, Balikpapan Anchorage, Indonesia	During security rounds, duty AB onboard the anchored ship sighted a white hull skiff near the anchor chain. One person was observed climbing the chain. He immediately informed the OOW, who raised the alarm and sounded the ship's whistle. Hearing the alerted crew, the person aborted the boarding attempt and moved away.
2.	12.01.2024 1830 UTC Anchored Attempted	Solar Roma Product Tanker Liberia 18335 9887372	01:43.30N – 101:25.73E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia	Duty security patrol onboard the anchored tanker noticed five unauthorised persons attempting to board and immediately notified the OOW. Alarm raised, resulting in the persons aborting and moving away. The incident was reported to the port control and the pilot station.
3.	27.01.2024 2150 UTC Anchored Attempted	Al Amerat Product Tanker Panama 29768 9405851	01:43.1N – 101:24.5E, Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia	Watchkeeper onboard the anchored tanker spotted an unauthorised person attempting to board. Alarm raised resulting in the person aborting and moving away.
4.	15.06.2024 1212 UTC Steaming Attempted	Name Withheld Chemical Tanker Panama 12247 -	01:14.5N – 104:03.5E, Singapore Straits	The tanker underway sighted a dimly lit boat near the port bow and altered course. At a distance of 1.5nm, the boat suddenly started flashing lights, increased speed towards the tanker and made an approach in an attempt to

				come alongside. The tanker took evasive manoeuvres and notified VTIS. A patrol boat arrived to assist the tanker. Seeing the patrol boat, the boat aborted and moved away.
5.	26.10.2024 1542 UTC Steaming Attempted	AOM Bianca Bulk Carrier Singapore 43236 9728215	01:05.9N – 103:44.1E, Singapore Straits	Two persons in a small boat attempted to board the ship underway using a hook attached to a pole. Alert crew members noticed the attempt, shouted at them and raised the alarm resulting in the individuals aborting the boarding attempt.
6.	16.11.2024 1950 UTC Steaming Attempted	Dokos Bulk Carrier Marshall Islands 43987 9941049	01:03N – 103:38E, Singapore Straits	Two persons in a small boat attempted to board the ship underway. Duty crew noticed the attempt and raised the alarm resulting in the individuals aborting and moving away. The incident was reported to VTIS.
7.	03.12.2024 0220 UTC Berthed Attempted	PAC Alnath General Cargo Singapore 20471 9265926	03:47.81N – 098:43.08E, Belawan Port, Indonesia	During routine rounds onboard the berthed ship, the Chief Officer observed one unauthorised person attempting to board the ship via a rope. Four additional persons were noticed in a wooden boat alongside the ship. Seeing these persons, the Chief Officer raised the alarm resulting in the attempted boarding being aborted. Incident reported to PFSO through the local agent.
8.	29.12.2024 0335 UTC Anchored Attempted	Sandpiper Pacific Product Tanker Singapore 30308 9648192	03:55.95N – 098:44.38E, Belawan Anchorage, Indonesia	Three unauthorised persons in a small wooden boat attempted to board an anchored tanker via the anchor chain. Alert crew noticed the persons and shouted at them causing the individuals to abort the boarding. The crew mustered and conducted a search. Incident reported to VTS.

INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	14.01.2024 1645 UTC Anchored Attempted	Name Withheld Tanker Bangladesh 60007 -	21:50.85N – 091:41.84E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	D/O onboard the anchored tanker noticed a small target on the radar in the vicinity of the vessel. Forward and aft security watchkeepers notified to be vigilant and report any approaching boats. The forward security noticed a boat with two persons preparing to throw a hook attached to a rope. Alarm raised, ship's whistle sounded, crew mustered and fire hoses activated. Seeing the crew alertness, the persons

				aborted the attempted boarding and moved away.
2.	29.03.2024 1545 UTC Anchored Attempted	ASL Leban General Cargo Marshall Islands 22852 9547178	22:14N – 091:42E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Ship crew and security watchman onboard the anchored ship noticed three persons in a boat attempting to gain access to the ship using a rope and hook. Alarm raised and crew mustered resulting in the persons aborting and moving away.
3.	14.06.2024 1915 UTC Anchored Attempted	Belatlantic Bulk Carrier Norway 36318 9744104	22:18N – 091:42E, Chattogram Anchorage, Bangladesh	Alert crew noticed eight persons attempting to board the anchored ship via the anchor chain. Alarm raised and crew mustered resulting in the persons aborting the boarding. Port control, navy and coast guard informed.

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1.	28.08.2024 0730 UTC Anchored Attempted	Happy Avocet LPG Tanker Denmark 13549 9694373	10:19.35N – 075:32.10W, Cartagena Anchorage, Colombia	Duty AB onboard an anchored tanker heard noises near the forecastle. On investigating he noticed a boat with four persons near the anchor chain and one person in the hawsepipe attempting to gain access. OOW notified and fire pump activated. Seeing the crew alertness, the persons escaped. Incident reported to port control and coast guard. A patrol boat searched the waters around the tanker.

AFRICA (SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	24.01.2024 0550 UTC Steaming Attempted	Adria Fishing Vessel South Korea 2227 8919489	05:33N – 065:50E, Around 950nm ESE of Eyl, Somalia	The fishing vessel underway was approached by six armed pirates in a skiff. A suspected mother vessel was seen in the vicinity. Alarm raised and all crew members mustered in the citadel. The master contacted the Korean navy and the onboard armed security team fired warning shots, resulting in the pirates aborting the approach and moving away. All crew reported safe.
2.	27.01.2024 0805 UTC Steaming Fired upon	Waimea Bulk Carrier Liberia 32795 9513907	10:54.1N – 064:17.1E, Around 764nm East of Xaafuun, Somalia	Four to five armed persons fired upon the ship underway. The onboard armed security team returned fire, resulting in the skiff retreating and moving away. The ship and crew reported safe.

3.	10.05.2024 0457 UTC Steaming Fired upon	Chrystal Arctic Product Tanker Marshall Islands 42914 9332640	12:38.65N – 048:24.06E, Gulf of Aden	Around five to six pirates dressed in black clothes armed with AK-47 rifles and RPG in a skiff approached the tanker underway. Grapnel hook and ladder sighted. Master sounded ship's horn and altered course. As the skiff continued to approach the armed guards showed their weapons. The pirates opened fire towards tanker and the armed team retaliated by firing four rounds causing a fire to break out on the boat. The tanker continued its voyage.

AFRICA (EXCLUDING SOMALIA / GULF OF ADEN / RED SEA)

Ref	Date Time	Name of Ship Type/Flag/Grt/ IMO Number	Position	Narration
1.	20.12.2024 2340 UTC Steaming Fired upon	Name Withheld Container Liberia 35881 -	01:34.5N – 008:45.0E, Around 62nm WSW of Bata, Equatorial Guinea	Pirates in a skiff approached and fired upon the ship underway. The alarm was raised, SSAS activated and the non-essential crew mustered in the citadel. The ship proceeded at full speed and managed to evade the attack. All crew members are safe.

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