



(U) GULF OF GUINEA/HORN OF AFRICA/SOUTHEAST ASIA: Weekly Piracy Update for 29 August – 4 September 2019

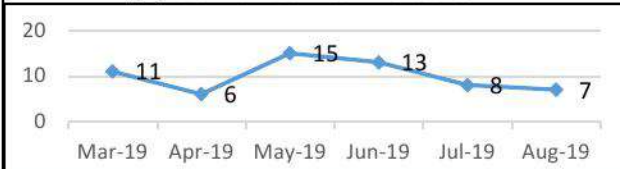
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(U) Piracy and Armed Robbery Activity Levels: Gulf of Guinea: Low / Horn of Africa: Low / Southeast Asia: Low

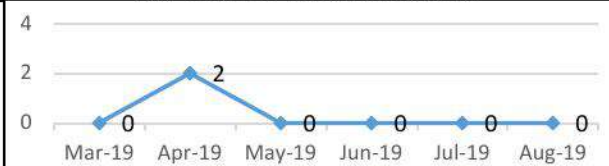
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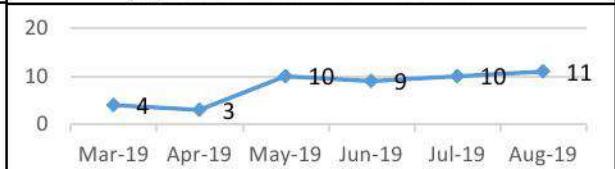
(U) Gulf of Guinea Incidents



(U) Horn of Africa Incidents



(U) Southeast Asia Incidents



Event	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Hijackings	2	0	2	6	4
Kidnappings	23	26	30	28	20
Hijacking/Kidnapping Combination	0	3	0	4	0
Attacks/Attempted Boardings	40	54	35	44	15
Boardings	29	39	53	64	45
Total	94	122	120	146	84

Event	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Hijackings	0	0	2	0	0
Boardings	0	0	1	0	0
Attacks/Attempted Boardings	0	1	3	2	2
Total	0	1	6	2	2

Event	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Hijackings	16	2	3	1	0
Kidnappings	0	19	4	3	4
Attacks, Boardings and Attempts	238	96	95	82	51
Total	254	117	102	86	55

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Gulf of Guinea

(U) One attack was reported this past week, with no further information available.

Horn of Africa

(U) No incidents to report.

Southeast Asia

1. (U) **BOARDING** - MALAYSIA: (Late Reporting) On 27 August, a duty crewman on routine rounds onboard a cargo ship berthed near position 05:54N - 118:03E, Sandakan Port, saw two robbers on the forecastle and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers jumped overboard and escaped in a boat alongside the vessel with another robber. Upon investigation, ship's properties reported stolen. Incident reported to local police. (IMB)

2. (U) **BOARDING** - MALAYSIA: (Late Reporting) On 26 August, a duty crewman onboard an anchored Marshall Islands-flagged tanker near Bandar Penawar in Johor saw armed robbers on the forecastle and notified the duty officer. The tanker crew retreated to their accommodation area and alarms were sounded. The armed robbers escaped with a life raft and other properties from the tanker. No injuries were reported. (www.pvilttd.com)

3. (U) **BOARDING** - INDONESIA: (Late Reporting) On 23 August, a Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier was boarded while the vessel was anchored at Belawan Anchorage. A duty crewman saw a small boat near the ship's anchor chain. He proceeded to instruct the small boat's occupant to leave, as the ship was about to raise the anchor. He was about to raise the alarm when two armed robbers, who had already boarded the vessel, threatened him at knifepoint and tied him up. However, the remaining crew members proceeded to the forecastle. Noticing them, the robbers stole the crewman's portable radio and escaped through the hawse pipe after opening the security cover. The incident was reported to the port control. Marine police proceeded to board the vessel and carry out a full investigation. (www.pvilttd.com)

Terms of Reference

- (U) Attempted Boarding - Close approach or hull-to-hull contact with report that boarding paraphernalia were employed or visible in the approaching boat.
- (U) Boarding - Unauthorized embarkation of a vessel by persons not part of its complement without successfully taking control of the vessel.
- (U) Fired Upon - Weapons discharged at or toward a vessel.
- (U) Hijacking - Unauthorized seizure and retention of a vessel by persons not part of its complement.
- (U) Kidnapping - Unauthorized forcible removal of persons belonging to the vessel from it.
- (U) Robbery - Theft from a vessel or from persons a board the vessel.
- (U) Suspicious Approach - All other unexplained activity in close proximity by an unknown vessel.

Piracy Levels

- (U) High: 5 or more piracy incidents in this one-week period.
- (U) Moderate: 2-4 piracy incidents in this one-week period.
- (U) Low: 0-1 piracy incidents in this one-week period.