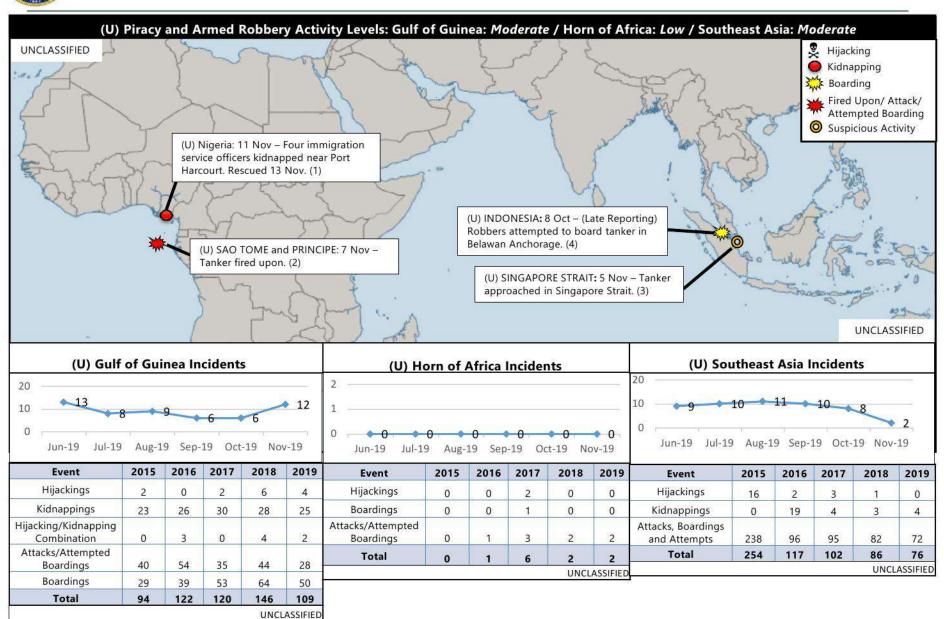


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#### **Gulf of Guinea**

- 1. (U) **KIDNAPPING** NIGERIA: On 11 November, up to 10 armed men attacked a passenger boat transiting to Port Harcourt, kidnapping four immigration service officers. On 13 November, they were rescued during a surprise operation by the maritime component of the Joint Task Force (JTF), Operation Delta Safe; and the Nigerian Navy Ship PATHFINDER. (www.punchng.com; www.tribuneonlineng.com)
- 2. (U) **ATTACK** SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE: On 7 November, armed persons in a skiff approached and fired upon a tanker underway near position 01:13N 006:09E, 57 NM north-northwest of Sao Tome Island. Alarm was raised, vessel increased speed and commenced evasive maneuvers. Fire pump activated, and four parachute rockets discharged. Due to the actions of the master and crew, the skiff aborted and moved away. Vessel and crew safe. (IMB; www.fleetmon.com)
- (U) One additional kidnapping and one additional attack were reported this past week; with no further information available.

### **Horn of Africa**

(U) No incidents to report.

#### Southeast Asia

- 3. (U) **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** SINGAPORE STRAIT: On 5 November, six persons in two speed boats approached a tanker underway near position 01:12.6N 103:34.3E, 3.6 NM southwest of Singapore. Duty crewman noticed the persons attempting to board the tanker and raised the alarm. Master increased the speed and took evasive maneuvers resulting in the persons aborting the approach. (IMB)
- 4. (U) **ATTEMPTED BOARDING** INDONESIA (Late Reporting): On 8 October, a robber attempted to board a Singapore-flagged tanker in Belawan Port. Alarm was raised, crew was mustered and PA announcement made. The robber fled after being discovered by duty crewman. (IMB; www.pviltd.com)
- (U) One additional attempted boarding was reported this past week; with no further information available.

Terms of Reference	Piracy Levels
(U) Attempted Boarding - Close approach or hull-to-hull contact with report that boarding paraphernalia were employed or visible in the approaching boat.	• (U) High: 5 or more piracy incidents in this one-week period.
(U) Boarding -Unauthorized embarkation of a vessel by persons not part of its complement without successfully taking control of the vessel.	• (U) Moderate: 2–4 piracy incidents in this one-week period.
(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) Low: 0–1 piracy incidents in this one-week period.
• (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.	