

PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA

(JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2015)

161 INCIDENTS REPORTED

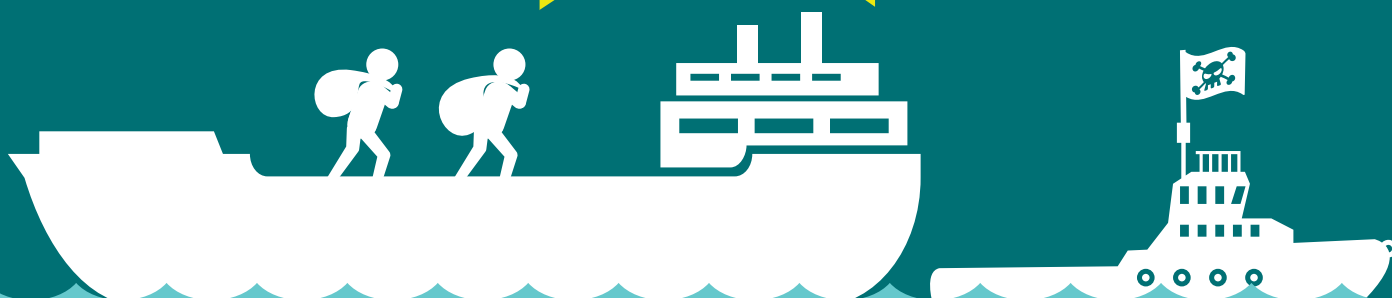
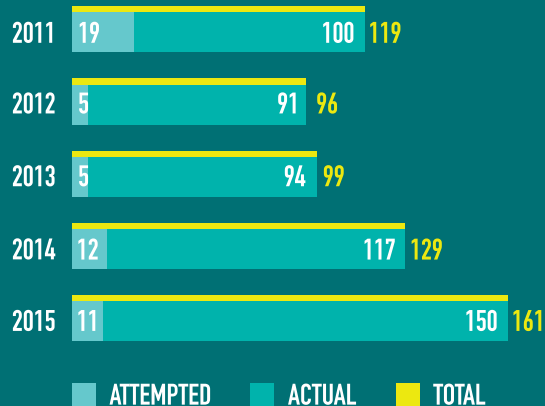
150 ARMED ROBBERIES AGAINST SHIPS

11 PIRACY INCIDENTS

25% INCREASE COMPARED TO 2014 (QUARTER-ON-QUARTER)

5 YEARS-OVERVIEW

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ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS

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 ship, within a State's internal waters, archipelagic waters and territorial sea

- In accordance with the Code of Practice for the Investigation of Crimes of Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) Assembly Resolution A.1024(26)



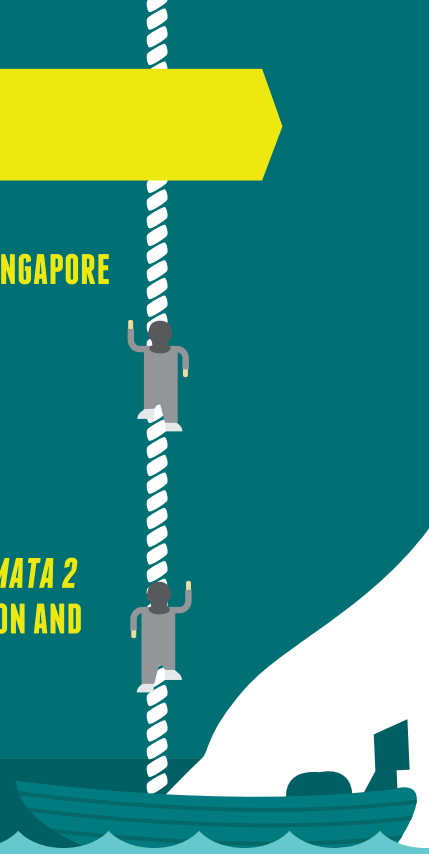
PIRACY

Any illegal act of violence or detention or any act of depredation, committed for private ends by the crew or the passengers of a private ship and directed on the high seas, against another ship or against persons or property on board such ship, or against a ship, persons or property in a place outside the jurisdiction of any State

- In accordance with Article 101 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)

INCIDENTS ON BOARD SHIPS WHILE UNDERWAY

- ▶ 78% IN EASTBOUND LANE OF THE TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME (TSS) IN THE SINGAPORE STRAIT (SS)
- ▶ PERPETRATORS FLED EMPTY-HANDED WHEN SIGHTED BY CREW
- ▶ CREW NOT HARMED
- ▶ ARREST OF PERPETRATORS AND RECOVERY OF STOLEN ITEMS FROM BARGE *PERMATA 2* TOWED BY TUG BOAT *PERMATA 1* UNDERWAY IN SS DEMONSTRATES COOPERATION AND INFORMATION SHARING AMONG LITTORAL STATES



HIJACKING OF PRODUCT/OIL TANKERS FOR THEFT OF CARGO OIL (12)



- ▶ ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARRESTED PERPETRATORS (2 INCIDENTS)



- ▶ DEMONSTRATES REGIONAL COOPERATION AND COORDINATION

- Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) prosecuted 9 perpetrators involved in *Sun Birdie*
- Collective efforts by authorities of Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam and Australia led to arrest of alleged mastermind and 13 perpetrators; and recovery of boat used in *Orkim Harmony*



- ▶ EFFORTS BY ReCAAP ISC

- Collaborates and shares information with shipping industry and encourages enforcement agencies to respond immediately to incidents
- Organises dialogues between INTERPOL and shipping industry sharing on evidence preservations and analysis on organised crime
- Produces guidance on best management practices jointly with partner organisations and with inputs from shipping industry

CONCLUSION

- Sea robberies on board ships while underway had increased
- Hijacking of tankers for theft of cargo oil are within 1–2 incidents a month (on an average); and still remains a concern
- ReCAAP ISC and its Focal Points committed to work with shipping industry, enforcement agencies and relevant stakeholders, including INTERPOL to address the challenges
- More need to be done in providing timely situation updates, adopting best practices at sea, enhancing surveillance, executing immediate responses and prosecution on land