PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA
JANUARY – JUNE 2017

36 INCIDENTS (TOTAL)
31 Armed robberies against ships
5 Piracy incidents

30 ACTUAL INCIDENTS
3 Abduct for ransom

6 ATTEMPTED INCIDENTS
4 Abduct for ransom

LOWEST IN TOTAL NUMBER OF INCIDENTS compared with same period in past 4 years (2013 – 2016)

STATUS AND LOCATION OF SHIPS

23 INCIDENTS
On board ship at anchor/berth

Bangladesh 4
China 1
India 1
Indonesia 12
Philippines 5

13 INCIDENTS
On board ship while underway

Bangladesh 1
Malaysia 1
Philippines 4
South China Sea 2
Straits of Malacca & Singapore 2
Sulu-Celebes Sea 3
SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL OF ACTUAL INCIDENTS
January – June of 2013 – 2017

DUE TO IMPROVEMENT
0 INCIDENT of abduction of crew since May 2017

INCIDENTS AT PORT OR ANCHORAGE
Actual incidents during January – June of 2016:2017
India 12:1 Indonesia 18:11 Vietnam 3:0

TRILATERAL MARITIME PATROLS
Malaysia, Indonesia and Philippines launched the trilateral maritime patrol agreement on 19 June 2017 to address the increasing incidence of piracy, armed robbery against ships, abducting of crew at sea and other transnational crime along the shared areas of the three countries.

STATUS OF ABDUCTION OF CREW
3 ACTUAL INCIDENTS

4 ATTEMPTED INCIDENTS
• Crew’s Enhanced Vigilance
• Timely Reporting
• Authorities’ Ops Responses prevented boarding

CURRENT STATUS SINCE MAR 2016
2 Crew killed 59 Crew abducted 9 Rescued 30 Released 18 Still in captivity

CONCLUSION
• Decrease in the number of incidents
• No room for complacency
• Concern about recurrence of oil cargo theft
• More needs to be done
• ReCAAP ISC reiterates collective and shared responsibility among authorities and shipping industry

ADVISORY TO SHIPS
Re-route where possible, otherwise:
• Exercise enhanced vigilance
• Conduct risk assessment
• Adopt piracy countermeasures to mitigate risk
• Make timely report
• Maintain comms