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(U) Worldwide Threat to Shipping (WTS) Report, 28 May–25 June 2025

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(U) Executive Summary

(U) Scope

(U) The Worldwide Threat to Shipping (WTS) report provides information on threats to merchant vessels, the shipping industry, and other maritime stakeholders worldwide in the last 30 days. This report is produced primarily to inform merchant mariners and naval forces.

(U) Warnings, Advisories and Alerts: See Appendix C for active advisories.

(U) U.S. Maritime Advisory 025-008: Gulf of Guinea / Armed Robbery / Kidnapping for Ransom

Issued on 18 June 2025. This advisory cancels U.S. Maritime Advisory 2024-014 and will automatically expire on 15 December 2025. Piracy, Armed Robbery, and Kidnapping for Ransom (KFR) continue to pose significant threats to vessels and crews operating in the Gulf of Guinea (GoG) as well as to mariners onboard a vessel, or transiting to or from a vessel in the GoG. Details of incidents in the GoG can be found in the Office of Naval Intelligence Worldwide Threat to Shipping reports, posted at <https://www.oni.navy.mil/ONI-Reports/Shipping-Threat-Reports/Worldwide-Threat-to-Shipping/>. For any maritime industry questions about this advisory, contact GMCC@uscg.mil. Supplemental information may also be found on the MARAD Office of Maritime Security website at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/ports/office-security/office-maritime-security>.

(U) Summary:

1. (U) INDONESIA: On 23 June, four robbers armed with knives boarded a Singapore-flagged product tanker while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS).
2. (U) BANGLADESH: On 21 June, eight robbers armed with knives boarded a container ship anchored at Chattogram Anchorage.
3. (U) INDIA: On 19 June, five perpetrators boarded an Antigua and Barbuda-flagged offshore supply vessel while anchored approximately 2.5 NM offshore of Kakinada.
4. (U) INDONESIA: (Late Reporting) On 14 June, five robbers boarded a Panama-flagged bulk carrier while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS.

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(U) Monthly Incidents by Region

(U) This section lists reports of active violence against shipping, credible threats to shipping, or the potential for a situation to develop into a direct threat to shipping over the past 30 days. Every effort is made to ensure that incidents are not double-counted. In the event that double-counting is detected, or an incident is later found to be different than initially reported, an explanation of the cancellation of the inaccurate report will be made in at least one message prior to dropping the erroneous report.

(U) NORTH AMERICA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) CENTRAL AMERICA – CARIBBEAN – SOUTH AMERICA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) ATLANTIC OCEAN AREA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) NORTHERN EUROPE – BALTIC

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) MEDITERRANEAN – BLACK SEA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) WEST AFRICA – GULF OF GUINEA

1. (U) NIGERIA: On 8 June at 1350 local time, perpetrators attacked a passenger boat while underway from Port Harcourt to Bonny, near position 04:32N – 007:09E. Nigerian police reported that passenger boats were being diverted into a creek near Zion fishing port. The police dispatched a patrol boat after authorities were informed of the incident by the driver of another passenger boat in the area. As the police patrol boat arrived at the scene, the perpetrators abandoned their attack and escaped into the mangroves. The police rescued three passengers from the perpetrators' boat and foiled attempts on other passenger boats. (Clearwater Dynamics)
2. (U) GULF OF GUINEA: On 30 May at 1616 UTC, seven armed perpetrators boarded the Curacao-flagged refrigerated cargo ship *Orange Frost* while underway approximately 75 NM

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northwest of Santo Antonio, Sao Tome and Principe, near position 02:30N – 006:31E. The majority of the crew mustered in the citadel and monitored the situation via the vessel's CCTV. The 2nd Engineer, reported to be a Russian national, was confirmed to have been kidnapped. Local authorities boarded and searched the cargo ship in the early hours of 31 May 2025 and confirmed there were no perpetrators onboard the vessel. It was further reported that the perpetrators had damaged the vessel's bridge equipment. The remaining crew were safe with one crew member injured. The vessel was escorted to a safe port of call. (MDAT-GoG; Clearwater Dynamics; vesseltracker.com)

(U) PERSIAN GULF

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) INDIAN OCEAN – EAST AFRICA – RED SEA

(U) No current incidents to report.

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(U) EAST ASIA – SOUTHEAST ASIA

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(U) Figure 1. Piracy and Armed Robbery at Sea in Southeast Asia

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1. **(U) INDONESIA:** On 23 June at 0323 local time, four robbers armed with knives boarded the Singapore-flagged product tanker *Theresa* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS near position 01:03N – 103:41E. After the duty crew sighted the robbers in the engine room, the alarm was activated and a search was conducted with no perpetrators being found onboard. All crew members were safe with no injuries reported. Three paint drums were stolen. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
2. **(U) INDONESIA:** (Late Reporting) On 14 June at 0255 local time, five robbers boarded the Panama-flagged bulk carrier *Aanya* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:08N – 103:29E. The crew realized that the ship had been boarded by robbers armed with knives after a routine inspection and after reviewing CCTV

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footage. The robbers stole ship's properties before escaping. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)

3. (U) INDONESIA: On 18 June at 0218 local time, while the Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier *Queen* was underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore TSS, near position 01:08N – 103:45E, the crew sighted four to five perpetrators on the stern deck. A search was conducted, with no perpetrators found onboard. All crew members were safe with no injuries reported. After arrival at the anchorage area, Singapore authorities boarded and conducted a search. They discovered starboard concertina wires were cut and was a possible entry point for the robbers. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
4. (U) INDONESIA: On 17 June at 2354 local time, four perpetrators boarded the Liberia-flagged tanker *Lirica* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:03N – 103:40E. After the crew spotted the perpetrators on the stern deck, the alarm was raised and a search was conducted, with no perpetrators found onboard. All crew members were safe with no injuries, and nothing was reported stolen. No further assistance was required and the ship resumed its voyage to its next port of call. (Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
5. (U) INDONESIA: On 16 June at 0218 local time, while the Liberia-flagged container ship *Sinar Sigli* was underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:12N – 103:23E, the bosun discovered that the lock on the deck store was broken. A search was conducted with no perpetrators found onboard. All crew members were safe with no injuries reported. Ship's stores including one set of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, one compressor set, and two radio transceivers were missing. (Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
6. (U) INDONESIA: On 15 June at 0043 local time, six perpetrators armed with knives and a gun-like object boarded the Liberia-flagged bulk carrier *Greek Seas* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:03N – 103:37E. After the crew sighted the perpetrators in the engine room, the master raised the alarm and the crew mustered. Realizing the crew's alertness, the perpetrators escaped. The crew conducted a search, with no perpetrators found onboard. All crew members were safe and nothing was reported stolen. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
7. (U) INDONESIA: On 13 June at 2300 local time, eight perpetrators armed with knives boarded the Comoros-flagged product tanker *Themir* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:04N – 103:42E. The crew observed the perpetrators in the engine room. After the alarm was raised, the crew mustered on the bridge. A search was conducted, with no perpetrators found onboard. The crew was not injured and nothing was stolen. No assistance was required, and the ship continued its voyage to its next port of call. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)

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8. (U) INDONESIA: On 13 June at 2300 local time, three perpetrators boarded the Hong Kong-flagged bulk carrier *KSL Seattle* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:06N – 103:44E. The duty crew spotted the perpetrators in the engine room. The master raised the alarm and the crew mustered. Upon hearing the alarm, the perpetrators escaped. After a search was conducted, no perpetrators were found onboard. All crew members were safe and nothing was stolen. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
9. (U) INDONESIA: On 12 June at 0400 local time, six robbers armed with knives and gun-like objects boarded the Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier *Bonneville* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:06N – 103:44E. The crew sighted the robbers in the engine room. The alarm was raised, the crew mustered, and a search was conducted, with no perpetrators found onboard. The crew was not injured. Engine spare parts were stolen. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
10. (U) INDONESIA: On 7 June at 1310 local time, approximately 14 robbers boarded the barge *LKH 7887* under tow by the Singapore-flagged tug *HK Tug 9* while in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:14N – 104:01E. While underway, the tug's crew saw three boats on the port side of the barge, four boats on the starboard side, and one boat at the rear. The robbers escaped after the alarm was raised. Scrap metal was reported stolen. All crew members were safe and no injuries were reported. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)
11. (U) INDONESIA: On 7 June at 0210 local time, five perpetrators boarded the Cyprus-flagged bulk carrier *Mykonos Wave* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:12N – 103:53E. After the crew spotted the perpetrators in the engine room, the alarm was raised and the crew mustered to conduct a search. No unauthorized persons were found onboard. All crew members were safe and nothing was stolen. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)
12. (U) INDONESIA: On 5 June at 0445 local time, four perpetrators, one of whom was armed with a gun-like object, boarded the Singapore-flagged bulk carrier *Mandarin River* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:05N – 103:33E. The 3rd Engineer sighted the perpetrators in the engine room. The alarm was raised and a search was conducted with no perpetrators found onboard. The crew was not injured and nothing was reported stolen. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)
13. (U) INDONESIA: On 5 June at 0330 local time, seven robbers, one of whom was armed with a long knife, boarded the Malta-flagged bulk carrier *Densa Shark* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:03N – 103:37E. After an engineer officer spotted the robbers in the engine room, the alarm was raised and all crew

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members mustered in the engine control room. All crew members were safe and no injuries were reported. Generator spare parts were stolen. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)

14. (U) INDONESIA: On 5 June at 0152 local time, three perpetrators boarded the Marshall Islands-flagged bulk carrier *Ausone* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:03N – 103:37E. After the crew sighted the perpetrators at the aft station, the alarm was raised and the crew mustered. Upon realizing the crew's alertness, the perpetrators escaped. A search was conducted with no perpetrators found onboard. All crew members were safe and no injuries were reported. Nothing was stolen and no further assistance was required. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)
15. (U) INDONESIA: On 3 June at 0435 local time, six perpetrators boarded the Cyprus-flagged bulk carrier *Successor* while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:05N – 103:34E. After the crew sighted the perpetrators in the engine room, the master raised the alarm and mustered the crew to search the vessel. The search revealed no further sighting of the perpetrators. The crew was not injured and nothing was reported stolen. (IMB; ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)
16. (U) INDONESIA: On 3 June at 0156 local time, one perpetrator boarded a Singapore-flagged bulk carrier while underway in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:40N – 103:40E. The ship sounded the alarm which caused the perpetrators to flee. The master reported all crew members safe, that the vessel did not request any assistance, and that the vessel was proceeding to its next port of call. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics)
17. (U) INDONESIA: On 30 May at 2246 local time, the crew of the Hong Kong-flagged bulk carrier *Powan*, while drifting approximately 12 NM north of Jakarta, near position 05:52S – 106:48E, noticed evidence of activity by unauthorized persons. They discovered that padlocks were missing on the engine room and steering gear room access hatches and then raised the alarm. The crew mustered and conducted a search. After a review of the ship's CCTV, three robbers were seen entering the steering gear room and escaping with engine spare parts. (IMB; ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)
18. (U) INDONESIA: On 30 May at 0630 local time, a number of perpetrators boarded the barge *Jin Hwa 48* under tow by the Malaysia-flagged tug *Jin Hwa 47* in the eastbound lane of the Singapore Strait TSS, near position 01:15N – 104:14E. After the incident, the master reported all crew members were safe and that nothing was stolen. The tug and barge did not require any assistance and continued their transit to their next port of call. (Clearwater Dynamics; ReCAAP)
19. (U) VIETNAM: On 28 May at 0300 local time, two robbers boarded the Republic of Korea-flagged container ship *KMTC Singapore* while anchored at Ho Chi Minh Anchorage, near

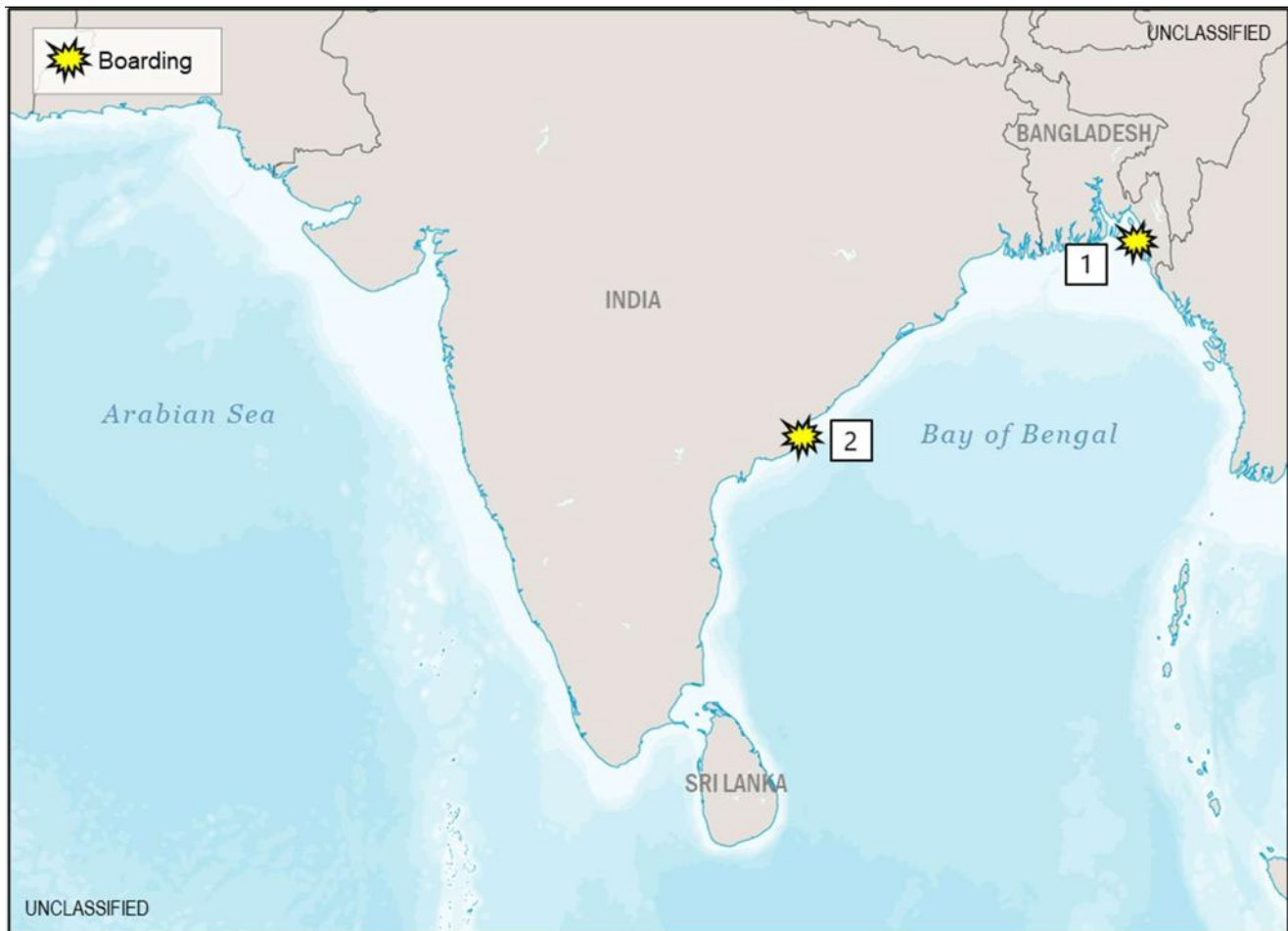
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position 10:13N – 107:00E. The crew sighted the robbers near the forecandle and the alarm was raised. The perpetrators escaped down a rope. The crew was not injured. Unsecured items such as fire nozzles, fire hydrant caps, fire hoses, and deck air-valve caps were stolen. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)

(U) INDIAN SUBCONTINENT

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(U) Figure 2. Piracy and Armed Robbery at Sea in Indian Subcontinent



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1. **(U) BANGLADESH:** On 21 June at 0215 local time, eight robbers armed with knives boarded a container ship anchored at Chattogram Anchorage, near position 22:09N – 091:44E. After the robbers stole ship's stores, they escaped. Following the incident, the Coast Guard boarded the ship and conducted an investigation. All crew members were safe with no reported injuries. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics)

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2. **(U) INDIA:** On 19 June during the late evening, five perpetrators boarded the Antigua and Barbuda-flagged offshore supply vessel *HM Pathfinder* while anchored approximately 2.5 NM offshore of Kakinada, near position 17:00N – 082:20E. The duty crew spotted the perpetrators boarding the vessel from a fishing boat. After the alarm was raised, the Indian Coast Guard was notified and they dispatched a patrol craft to the location. Upon sighting the Coast Guard vessel, the perpetrators attempted to escape but were detained after a short pursuit. The vessel and crew were reported safe. (newindianexpress.com; Clearwater Dynamics)
3. **(U) BANGLADESH:** On 1 June at 2100 local time, 10 robbers, one of whom was armed with a knife, boarded a bulk carrier while anchored at Chittagong Anchorage, near position 22:13N – 091:44E. The duty crew observed the robbers entering the forward storeroom. The alarm was raised and the crew mustered. Seeing the crew's alertness, the robbers escaped with stolen ship's stores. All crew were reported safe and the incident was passed to port control. (IMB; Clearwater Dynamics)
4. **(U) BANGLADESH:** On 28 May at 0157 local time, five robbers armed with knives boarded the Hong Kong-flagged bulk carrier *Mount ASO* from astern while anchored at Chittagong Inner Anchorage, near position 22:15N – 091:43E. The perpetrators broke the padlock of the oxygen cylinder room and stole six cylinders. The duty crew were threatened with a metal object. The master confirmed no crew members were injured. The incident was reported to local authorities. (ReCAAP; Clearwater Dynamics)

(U) AUSTRALIA – NEW ZEALAND – PACIFIC OCEAN AREA

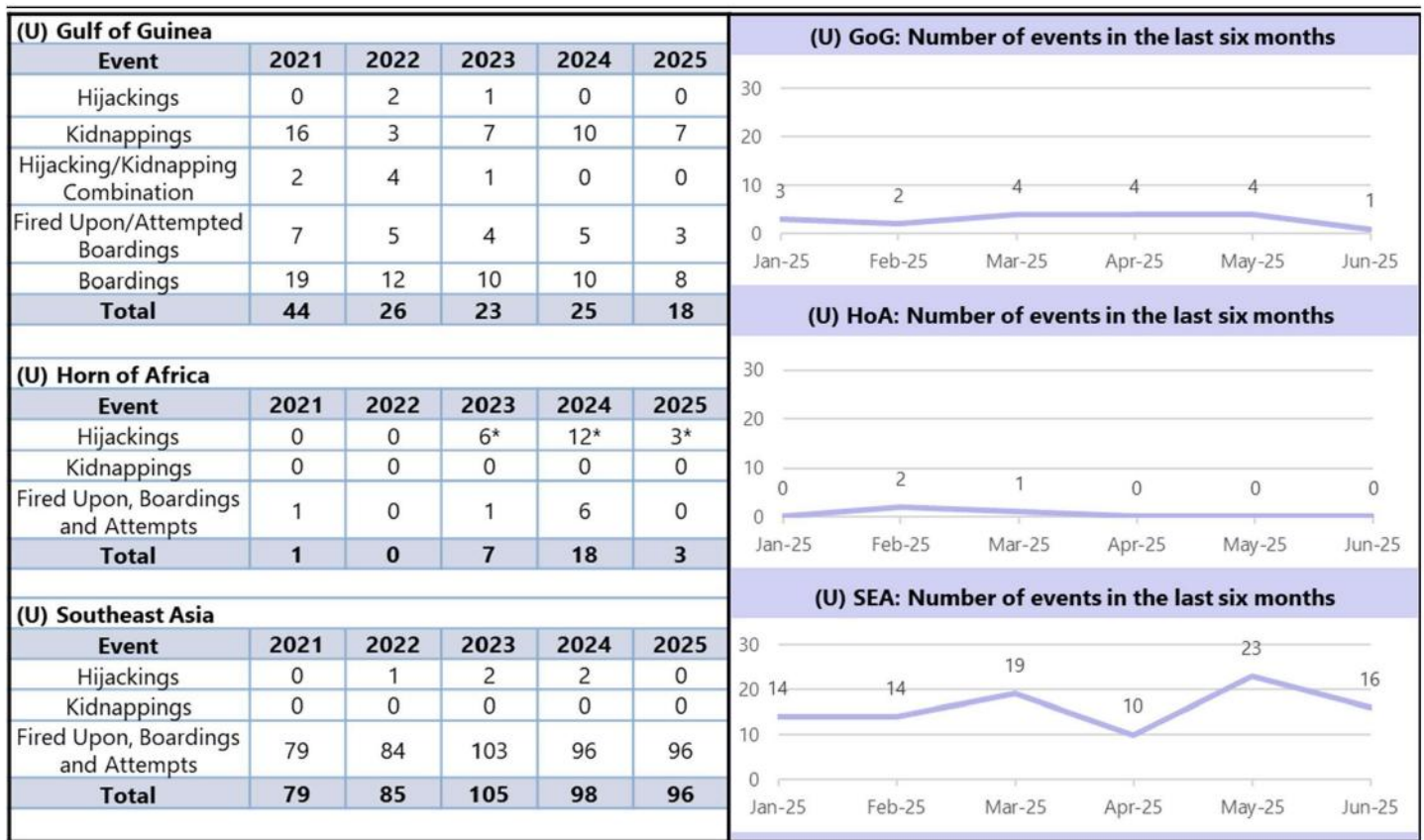
(U) No current incidents to report.

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(U) Appendix A: Piracy and Armed Robbery at Sea Statistics and Trends

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(U) * HORN OF AFRICA HIJACKING NUMBERS INCLUDE DHOWS AND FISHING VESSELS

(U) Appendix B: Definitions

(U) In order to promote consistent use of accurate terms of reference, we use the following definitions to describe a range of criminal antishipping activity and impediments to safe navigation in our worldwide reporting and analysis.

- > (U) **Attempted Boarding** – Close approach or hull-to-hull contact with report that boarding paraphernalia were employed or visible in the approaching boat.
- > (U) **Blocking** – Hampering safe navigation, docking, or undocking of a vessel as a means of protest.
- > (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) **Hijacking/Kidnapping Combination** – Unauthorized seizure and retention of a vessel by persons not part of its complement who forcefully remove crew members from vessel when disembarking.
- > (U) **Robbery** – Theft from a vessel or from persons aboard the vessel.
- > (U) **Suspicious Approach** – All other unexplained activity in close proximity of an unknown vessel.

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(U) Appendix C: Active U.S. Maritime Advisories

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(U) Active U.S. Maritime Advisories

Title	Effective Date	Expiration Date
2025-008: Gulf of Guinea – Piracy/Armed Robbery/Kidnapping for Ransom	18 Jun 2025	15 Dec 2025
2025-007: Global – U.S. Maritime Advisory Updates, Resources, and Contacts	9 Apr 2025	6 Oct 2025
2025-006: Worldwide – Foreign Adversarial Technological, Physical, and Cyber Influence	9 Apr 2025	6 Oct 2025
2025-005: Red Sea, Bab el-Mandeb Strait, Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Persian Gulf, and Somali Basin – Houthi Attacks on Commercial Vessels	28 Mar 2025	24 Sep 2025
2025-004: Black Sea and Sea of Azov – Military Combat Operations	5 Mar 2025	1 Sep 2025
2025-003: Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Indian Ocean – Piracy/Armed Robbery/Kidnapping for Ransom	14 Feb 2025	11 Aug 2025
2025-002: Strait of Hormuz, and Gulf of Oman – Iranian Illegal Boarding/Detention/Seizure	14 Feb 2025	11 Aug 2025

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