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PROTECTION OF VITAL SHIPPING LANES

Piracy and armed robbery against ships

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document reports on developments, since C/ES.28, regarding the repression of piracy and armed robbery against ships and illicit maritime activity in the Gulf of Guinea and in waters off the coast of Somalia

Strategic direction: 6.2, 6.3

High-level action: 6.2.3, 6.2.4

Output: 6.2.2.1

Action to be taken: Paragraph 8

Related document: C/ES.28/D, section 8

Reports of incidents

1 Reports of actual and attempted attacks by pirates and armed robbers are promulgated via IMO's Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) (<http://gisis.imo.org>).

2 In order to enhance the quality of the information provided by GISIS, Member States are urged to provide as much information as possible directly to the Secretariat at marsec@imo.org, using the IMO reporting format in MSC.1/Circ.1333, appendix 5, or in the Best Management Practices (MSC.1/Circ.1339).

The Gulf of Guinea

3 Information of relevance to the implementation of resolution A.1069(28) on *Prevention and suppression of piracy, armed robbery against ships and illicit maritime activity in the Gulf of Guinea*, including updates on Secretariat activities and details of the current strategy for addressing piracy, armed robbery against ships and illicit maritime activity in the Gulf of Guinea are promulgated on the IMO website and may be found at: <http://www.imo.org/en/OurWork/Security/WestAfrica/Pages/WestAfrica.aspx>.

Waters off the coast of Somalia

4 No successful attacks against ships in the waters off the coast of Somalia have been reported to the Organization since C/ES.28.

5 Updates on Secretariat activities and other information of relevance to the implementation of the Djibouti Code of Conduct may be found at <http://www.imo.org/en/OurWork/Security/PIU/Pages/DCoC.aspx>.

General

6 A verbal briefing on the latest situation and progress made in the Gulf of Guinea and in waters off the coast of Somalia will be given to the Council during its consideration of this agenda item.

7 The Secretary-General would like to acknowledge with thanks the past contributions of Denmark, France, Japan, the Marshall Islands, the Netherlands, Norway, the Republic of Korea and Saudi Arabia to the Djibouti Code of Conduct Trust Fund and those of Angola, China, Japan, Nigeria, Norway and the United Kingdom to the IMO West and Central Africa Maritime Security Trust Fund. Further donations to enable IMO to continue its capacity building in support of implementation of these important initiatives would be much appreciated.

Action requested of the Council

8 The Council is invited to take note of the information contained in this document and comment as appropriate.
