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(U) Worldwide Threat to Shipping (WTS) Report, 14 October – 11 November 2026

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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) Summary:

1. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 11 November at 0000 UTC, a tanker was involved in an incident
2. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 10 November at 1338 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile
3. **(U) SINGAPORE STRAIT:** On 09 November at 1832 UTC, a robbery occurred onboard a tanker
4. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 07 November at 2020 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile
5. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 07 November at 1920 UTC, a tanker was sighted on fire
6. **(U) BANGLADESH:** On 07 November at 0000 UTC, a tanker was boarded
7. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 05 November at 2200 UTC, a tanker experienced an explosion on its port side
8. **(U) PERSIAN GULF:** On 04 November at 2320 UTC, a tanker was struck by two unknown projectiles

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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 incidents are not double counted. In the event 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.

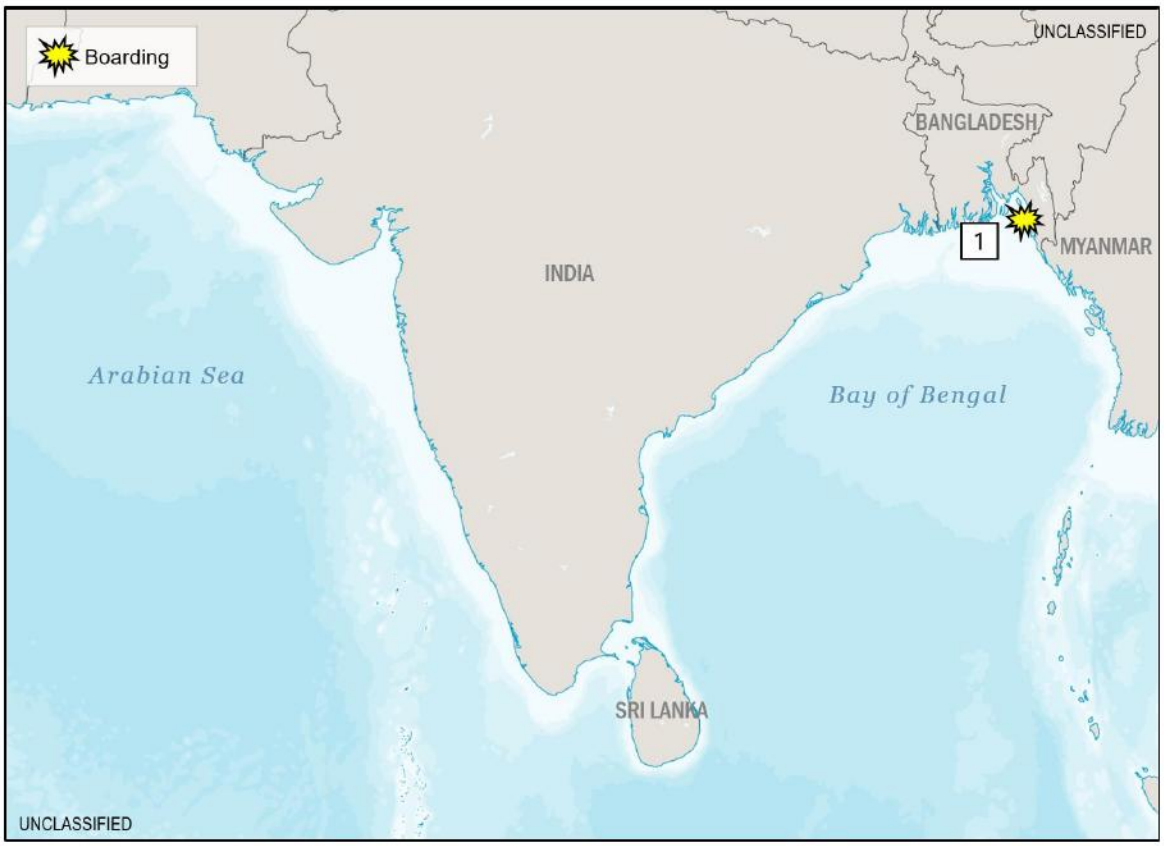
(U) NORTHERN EUROPE – BALTIC

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) MEDITERRANEAN – BLACK SEA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) INDIAN SUBCONTINENT



1. (U) BANGLADESH: On 07 November at 0000 UTC, a Denmark-flagged LPG tanker was boarded by three perpetrators while anchored at Chattogram anchorage, Bangladesh. Nothing was reported as missing and the incident was reported to the Bangladesh Coast Guard. (IFC/Clearwater Dynamics)

(U) AUSTRALIA – NEW ZEALAND – PACIFIC OCEAN AREA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) WEST AFRICA – GULF OF GUINEA

(U) No current incidents to report.

(U) EAST ASIA – SOUTHEAST ASIA



1. **(U) SINGAPORE STRAIT:** On 09 November at 1832 UTC, a Marshall Islands-flagged tanker was boarded by six perpetrators armed with 'gun-like objects' while transiting in the Singapore Strait. The third engineer was tied up but not harmed. Engine parts were stolen and the vessel continued her voyage to Singapore. (IFC/Clearwater Dynamics)

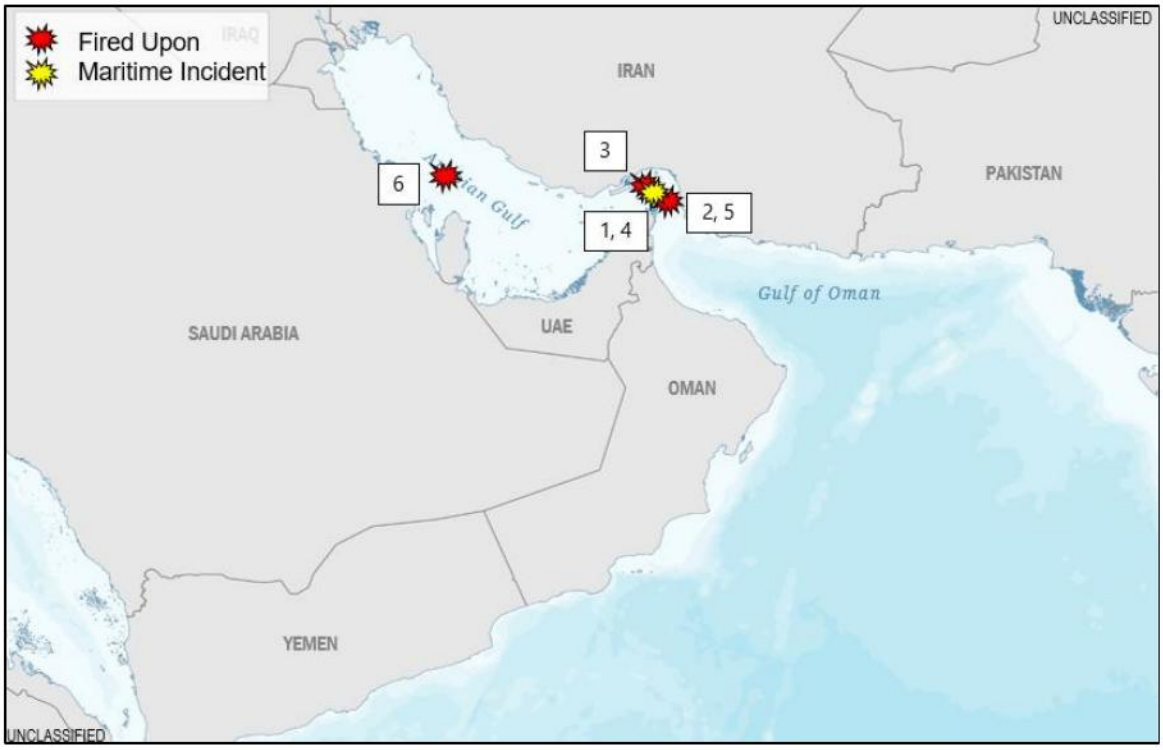
2. **(U) SINGAPORE STRAIT:** On 04 November at 1550 UTC, a cargo vessel was boarded by eight unarmed perpetrators while transiting the Philip Channel, Singapore. No items have been reported stolen. (IFC/Clearwater Dynamics)

3. **(U) SINGAPORE STRAIT:** On 02 November at 1436 UTC, a cargo vessel was boarded by three persons while underway in the Philip Channel, Singapore. Authorities are investigating. (CLOSED SOURCES/Clearwater Dynamics)

4. **(U) INDONESIA:** On 29 October at 0730 UTC, a robbery occurred on board a cargo ship while it was anchored IVO Belawan, Indonesia. All crew were reported safe and unidentified items were stolen. (ICC/Clearwater Dynamics)

5. **(U) SINGAPORE STRAIT:** On 17 October at 1525 UTC, an attempted robbery occurred on board a vessel being towed by a Singapore-flagged tug while transiting in the eastbound lane. All crew were accounted for with no injuries reported and no items stolen. (IFC/Clearwater Dynamics)

(U) PERSIAN GULF



1. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 11 November at 0000 UTC, UKMTO reported an incident involving a tanker in the Strait of Hormuz. The status of the crew, the extent of damage, and any environmental impacts are unknown. Authorities are investigating the incident. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)
2. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 10 November at 1338 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile while 19NM northeast of Lima, Oman. All crew are reported safe and no environmental impacts have been reported. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)
3. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 07 November at 2020 UTC, a tanker's Company Security Officer reported that the tanker had been struck by an unknown projectile while transiting outbound through the Strait of Hormuz. All crew are reported safe and there are no environmental impacts reported. Authorities are investigating the incident. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

4. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 07 November at 1920 UTC, a Liberia-flagged tanker was sighted with a fire onboard while 8NM northwest of Khasab, Oman. The origin of the fire is unknown. The crew has been evacuated. The status of the crew, environmental impacts, and the extent of the damage is unknown. Authorities are investigating the incident. (UKMTO/MICA CENTRE/Clearwater Dynamics)

5. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 05 November at 2200 UTC, a Master of a tanker reported that the tanker experienced an explosion at the waterline on the port side while 16NM east of Khasab, Oman. All crew are reported safe. The tanker remains under its own power and is continuing its voyage. Authorities are investigating the incident. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

6. **(U) PERSIAN GULF:** On 04 November at 2320 UTC, a Marshall Islands-flagged tanker was struck by two unknown projectiles while 50NM north of Madinat ash Shamal, Qatar. One seafarer has been reported missing. Authorities are investigating the incident. (UKMTO/IMO/Clearwater Dynamics)

7. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 03 November at 1900 UTC, a Barbados-flagged tanker was struck by two unknown projectiles in the engine room while 14NM northeast of Lima, Oman. No casualties or environments impacts have been reported. (UKMTO/OPEN SOURCE/Clearwater Dynamics)

8. **(U) PERSIAN GULF:** On 01 November at 2347 UTC, a Liberia-flagged tanker was struck by two unknown projectiles 72NM east of Ras Al Khafiji, Saudi Arabia, while transiting southeast through the Persian Gulf. All crew are accounted for, and no environmental impacts have been reported. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

9. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 01 November at 2020 UTC, a vessel was struck by an unknown projectile 9NM northeast of Lima, Oman. The attack created a hole in the starboard side. All crew are reported safe, and no environmental impacts have been reported. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

10. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 01 November at 1509 UTC, a Panama-flagged tug/supply vessel was struck by an unknown projectile within the Strait of Hormuz. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

11. **(U) PERSIAN GULF:** On 30 October at 1800 UTC, a Marshall Islands-flagged tanker was struck 40NM south of Lavan Island, Iran, by an unknown projectile on its port side. The crew have been reported safe, and no environmental impacts have been reported at this time. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

12. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 29 October at 2212 UTC, a Panama-flagged tanker was sighted on fire 25NM northeast of Khasab, Oman, while transiting outbound. A small craft came along the tanker's port side and attached two explosive devices. When the devices detonated, it started a fire in the engine room and left the tanker temporarily disabled. The fire has been extinguished with all crew members reported safe and no environmental impacts reported. The tanker has resumed its passage towards its next port of call. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

13. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 29 October at 1600 UTC, a Panama-flagged tanker was struck by an unknown projectile while transiting outbound. All crew are reported safe and no environmental impacts have been reported. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

14. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 28 October at 0001 UTC, a Liberia-flagged tanker was struck by an unknown projectile while transiting outbound. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

15. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 27 October at 1715 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile 7NM northeast of Limah, Oman, while transiting outbound in the strait. The vessel was able to continue transit to its next port of call. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

16. **(U) IRAQ:** On 26 October at 0000 UTC, multiple third parties stated seeing a vessel on fire 63NM southeast of Al-Faw, Iraq. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

17. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 23 October at 1715 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile 7NM northeast of Limah, Oman, while transiting outbound through the Strait of Hormuz. The vessel was able to continue voyage to its next port of call. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

18. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 21 October at 0145 UTC, a Kuwait-flagged tanker was struck by an unknown projectile approximately 11NM west of Bukha, Oman. A fire broke out onboard which was quickly extinguished, all crew members reported safe. (NAVAREA/Clearwater Dynamics)

19. **(U) IRAQ:** On 20 October at 1930 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile while underway approximately 30NM southeast of Al-Faw, Iraq. There has been no reported damage to the vessel and all crew members reported safe. (UKMTO/CLOSED SOURCE/Clearwater Dynamics)

20. **(U) STRAIT OF HORMUZ:** On 18 October at 0001 UTC, a tug was struck by two unknown projectiles while transiting southbound, northeast of the UAE. The attack

caused damage to the vessel and one minor casualty was reported. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

21. **(U) SAUDI ARABIA:** On 16 October at 1922 UTC, a tanker was attacked by a rocket-propelled grenade fired from a small boat. The attack caused damage to the aft port quarter of the vessel, all crew members reported safe. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

22. **(U) SAUDI ARABIA:** On 16 October at 0900 UTC, a tanker was struck by an unknown projectile approximately 68NM northeast of Al Jubayl. The vessel was evacuated and all crew members reported safe. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

(U) INDIAN OCEAN – EAST AFRICA – RED SEA

1. **(U) SOMALIA:** On 29 October at 0900 UTC, an Iranian-flagged fishing vessel was hijacked by 12 armed pirates off the northeastern coast of Somalia. India announced the forcible rescue of the vessel off the eastern coast of Puntland, Somalia, with several members of the pirate group being apprehended. (MSCIO/Clearwater Dynamics)
2. **(U) YEMEN:** On 17 October at 1030 UTC, a tanker was attacked by seven perpetrators while transiting approximately 140NM southeast of Yemen. The skiff fired two shots at the tanker and the vessel's armed security team discharged two warning shots in response. (UKMTO/Clearwater Dynamics)

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

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(U) Gulf of Guinea

Event	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Hijackings	2	1	0	0	1
Kidnappings	3	7	10	9	1
Hijacking/Kidnapping Combination	4	1	0	0	0
Fired Upon/Attempted Boardings	5	4	5	5	1
Boardings	12	10	10	15	8
Total	**26**	**23**	**25**	**29**	**11**

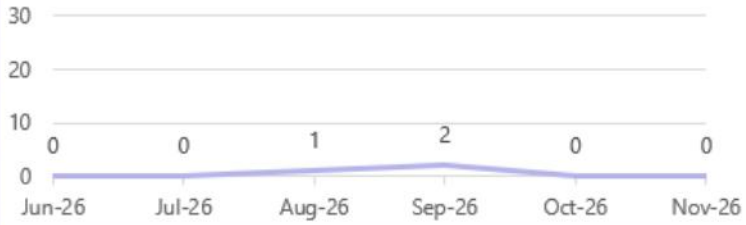
(U) Horn of Africa

Event	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Hijackings	0	6*	12*	4*	8
Kidnappings	0	0	0	0	0
Fired Upon, Boardings and Attempts	0	1	6	9	58
Total	**0**	**7**	**18**	**13**	**64**

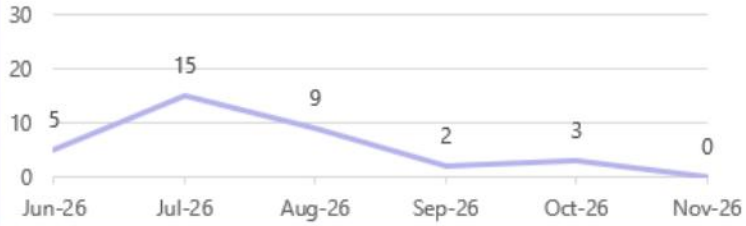
(U) Southeast Asia

Event	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Hijackings	1	2	2	0	0
Kidnappings	0	0	0	0	2
Fired Upon, Boardings and Attempts	84	103	96	134	37
Total	**85**	**105**	**98**	**134**	**39**

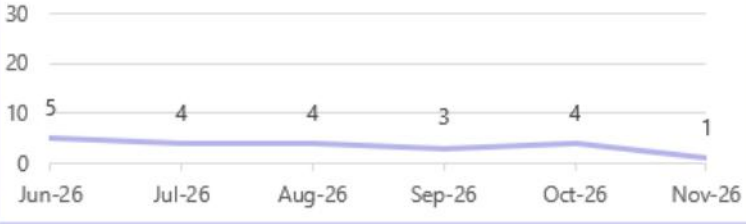
(U) GoG: Number of events in the last six months



(U) HoA: Number of events in the last six months



(U) SEA: Number of events in the last six months



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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.

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

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(U) **Active U.S. Maritime Advisories**

2026-015-Global-U.S Maritime Advisory Updates, Resources, and Contacts	21 Oct 2026	19 Apr 2027
2026-014-Worldwide-Foreign Adversial Technological, Physical, and Cyber Influence	21 Oct 2026	19 Apr 2027
2026-013-Red Sea, Bab el Mandeb Strait, Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, and Somali Basin-Houthi Attacks on Commercial Vessels	23 Sep 2026	22 Mar 2027
2026-012-Black Sea and Sea of Azov-Military Combat Operations	23 Sep 2026	22 Mar 2027
2026-011-Persian Gulf, Strait of Hormuz, and Gulf of Oman-Iranian Attacks on Commercial Vessels	09 Sep 2026	08 Mar 2027
2026-010-Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Indian Ocean-Piracy/Armed Robbery/Kidnapping for Ransom	07 Aug 2026	04 Feb 2027
2026-009-Gulf of Guinea-Piracy/Armed Robbery/Kidnapping for Ransom	24 Jun 2026	21 Dec 2026

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