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2019 PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY REPORT

Incidents of piracy and armed robbery continue to threaten the maritime community.

Despite an overall decline in piracy & armed robbery at sea, 2019 saw a countervailing, and unprecedented, rise in crew kidnappings in the Gulf of Guinea as reported by the International Chamber of Commerce—Commercial Crime Services' IMB Piracy Reporting Center in their recent annual report. This can be directly accessed upon free registration at:

https://www.icc-ccs.org/

The website also maintains up-to-date piracy maps, reports, incidents and other news.

Members are reminded that the Club maintains a dedicated website space which contains a range of information on the subject of security threats, and guidance for Members on the hiring of armed guards. It also provides links to other industry information on piracy and armed robbery. It is available at:

https://www.american-club.com/page/piracy.

Members are encouraged to refer to this section of the Club's website or contact the Managers directly should they have questions about this matter, or generally.