## MEMBER ALERT

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## PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY: POTENTIALLY GROWING THREATS TO VESSELS OPERATING IN THE GULF OF GUINEA

As the dry season approaches and sea conditions improve, the risk of vessels being subject to acts of piracy and armed robbery in the Gulf of Guinea tends to increase.

In order to draw attention to this, BIMCO, the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), INTERCARGO, INTERTANKO and OCIMF have jointly issued an alert, <u>Increased</u> <u>Security Threats for vessels operating in the Gulf of Guinea</u>, which will be of interest to Members trading in this region.

Members are also reminded that the Club maintains a designated site with relevant guidance on piracy and armed robbery at:

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

Your Managers recommend that Members take note of this information and be guided accordingly.