

To whom it may concern

Subject: Review of Ship Security Plan of ships to operate in areas of piracy hotspots, such as  
Somali water

Pirate attacks continued apace in off Somalia and Yemen including the Gulf of Aden. In the last month, a Panamanian flag Oil/Chemical tanker SUNSHINE SKY and a Japanese flag VLCC TAKAYAMA tracked and then fired by pirates.

While believing that you have established and implementing best possible action plans against piracy as a part of SSP for ships under your management, we would like to suggest that you review the plans.

For your use and reference in the abovementioned review, the following documents are attached.

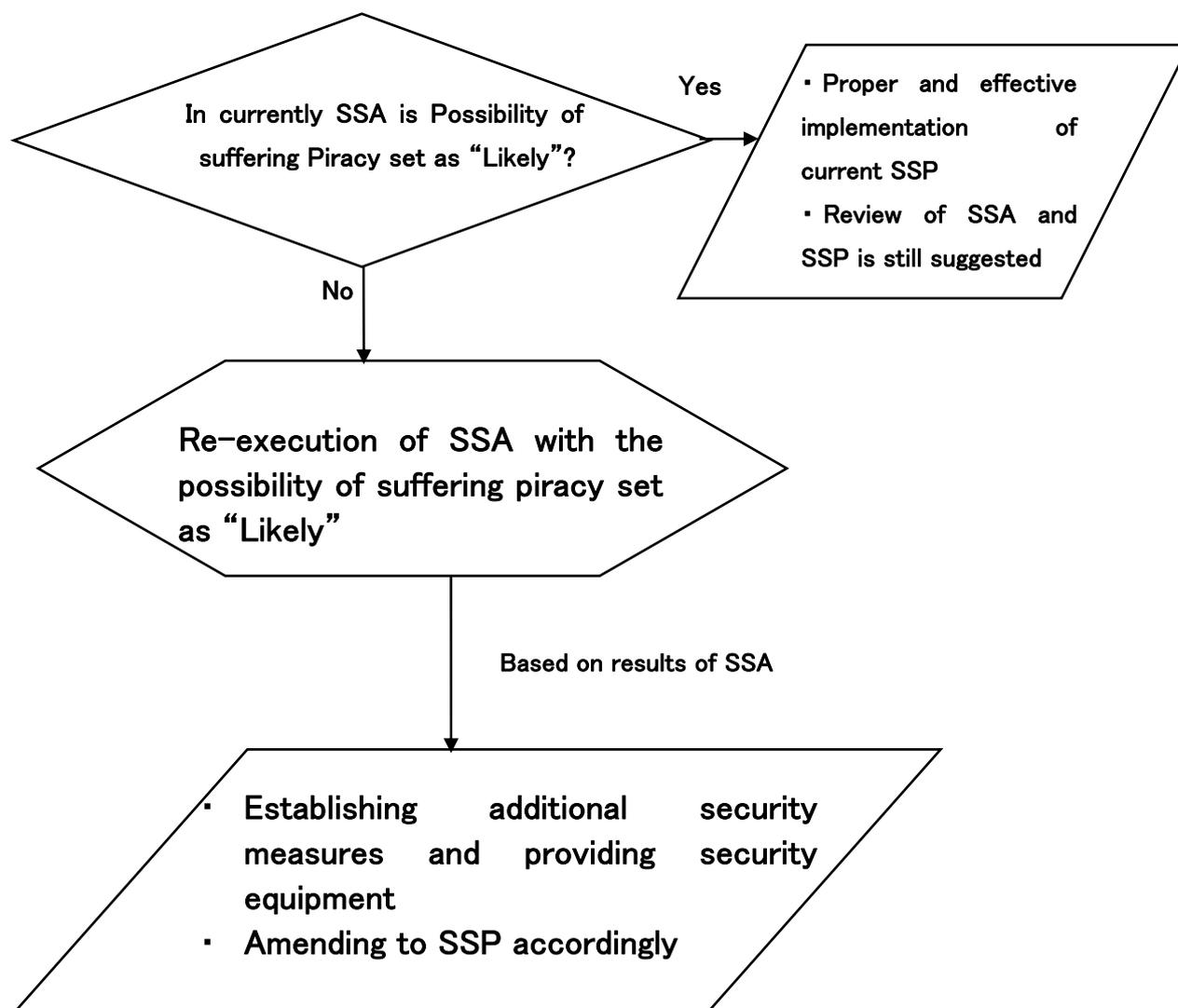
- (1) Checklist for review of action plan against piracy for ships which is possible to operate in areas of piracy hotspots
- (2) Piracies recently happened off Somalia/Yemen
- (3) Piracies happened in 2007 by locations (Statistics by IMB<sup>\*</sup>)
- (4) MSC/Circ.623 Rev.3 “Guidance to shipowners and ship operators, shipmasters and crews on preventing and suppressing acts of piracy and armed robbery against ships”

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<sup>\*</sup> The latest information is available from the following URL.  
<http://www.icc-ccs.org/main/publication.php>

Checklist for review of action plan against piracy for ships to operate in areas of piracy hotspots

Note: This checklist form was prepared by ClassNK to assist Companies to review the action plans and does not necessarily cover all items to be checked.



Is the ship provided with sufficient security equipment as far as practicable?

Does the SSP require that such security measures as mentioned below to be taken before the ship entry into or operating in area of piracy hotspots?

	Measures	Comment
	Due to early detect pirates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Provision of high powered floodlight, monitoring device (e.g., night vision, low-light binoculars, CCTV and infrared detection device, etc.)</i></li> <li>- <i>Physical device such as barbed wire, etc</i></li> </ul>	
Before entry into the areas :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Hearing VHF-16 channel and other information from radio station of coastal states</i></li> <li>- <i>Enhancing patrol and look out, and etc.</i></li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Conduction security drill (e.g., anti-piracy and armed robbery drill and etc.)</i></li> </ul>	
While operating in the areas :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Hearing VHF-16 channel and other information from radio station of coastal states</i></li> </ul>	
	Enhancement of surveillance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Increasing look out staff</i></li> <li>- <i>Operating monitoring devices and etc.</i></li> </ul>	
	Action taken in case that identified pirate or suspicious boat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Continuous monitoring, etc.</i></li> </ul>	
	Action taken after identified pirate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Escaping and protecting measure from pirate's boat (e.g., increasing ship's speed, running a zigzag, etc.)</i></li> <li>- <i>Communication to CSO, IMB or coastal states</i></li> </ul>	

	<p>Action taken after pirates boarded the ship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Sending Ship Security Alert</i></li> <li>- <i>Sending Distress alert using GMDSS, if necessary</i></li> </ul>	
	<p>Measure in case that happened damage/loss/injury of crew or ship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Requiring assistance to coastal states (Security forces), etc.</i></li> </ul>	
After incident	<p>Reporting incident to the authorities related</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Reporting damage/injuries to ship, crew and passenger to the authority or organization related, including follow-up reporting</i></li> </ul>	

## Piracies recently happened off Somalia/Yemen ソマリア沖/イエメン沖で最近発生した海賊事件の例

	Nationality 国籍	Ship Type 船種	Location/Time of incident 事件日時/場所	Summary of incident 事件概要
Ship A	Panamanian	Oil/Chemical Tanker オイル/ケミカルタンカー	Off Somalia, the Gulf of Aden (70 miles north of Alula) 28 Oct. 2007, 1345 (JST)  ソマリア沖アデン湾 (アルラの北方 70 海里) 2007 年 10 月 28 日 午後 1 時 45 分頃(日本時間)	While the ship was sailing to Europe via the Suez canal from Singapore, the ship was hijacked by pirates armed and then took away with the crewmembers on 28 Oct. 2008.  No crew was injured and the ship with cargoes was not damaged when the ship has been released on 12 Dec. 2007. シンガポールからスエズ運河経由でヨーロッパに向けた航海中、ソマリア沖アデン湾で武装海賊にハイジャックされ、乗組員ごと拉致。 12 月 12 日に開放。乗組員、船舶及び積荷に怪我、損傷なし。
Ship B	Panamanian	Oil/Chemical Tanker オイル/ケミカルタンカー	Off Yemen, the Gulf of Aden (36 miles off, coast of Yemen) 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2008, 0915 (local time)  イエメン沖アデン湾 (イエメン沿岸 36 海里) 2008 年 4 月 1 日 午前 9 時 15 分頃(現地時間)	While the ship was sailing off Yemen, the ship was fired by pirates armed armaments and alarmed SSAS. The ship escaped to safety water under the escort of the Combined Maritime Forces Command responded to the alert.  No crew was injured. The ship was damaged to the funnel and lifeboat but damages were slight and no obstacle to the navigation. イエメン沖航行中に、武装海賊に発砲を受け、SSAS を発した。近隣国の連合パトロール軍のエスコートのもと本船は安全海域に脱した。 乗組員に怪我無し。本船は煙突と救命艇に損傷を受けたが、軽微で航行に支障なし。

Ship C	Japanese	Oil Tanker オイルタンカー	<p>Off Yemen, the Gulf of Aden (67 miles off, coast of Yemen) 21 April 2008, 0440 (Local time)</p> <p>イエメン沖アデン湾 (イエメン沿岸 67 海里) 2008 年 4 月 21 日 午前 4 時 40 分頃(現地時間)</p>	<p>While the ship was sailing off Yemen, the ship was fired from a suspicious boat and shot in the aft part of ship. The ship gave emergency call and was rushed by the Combined Maritime Forces Command responded to the call.</p> <p>The ship ran a zigzag and escaped from the boat since the damages were slight and no obstacle to the navigation.</p> <p>No crew was injured.</p> <p>イエメン沖(アデン湾)航行中、不審船より発砲を受け、船体後部に被弾。</p> <p>緊急通報を行い、それを受けて連合パトロール軍の艦船が急行した。</p> <p>本船の損傷は軽微で航行に支障なく、ジグザク航走を行い、不審船から逃れた。乗組員に怪我無し。</p>
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