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SUBJECT: ENHANCED SECURITY MEASURES FOR VESSELS VISITING SANTOS BRAZIL

Dear Owners/Operators/Masters:

Due to reports received from various sources, including ONI and IMB, regarding the continuous occurrence of piracy, robbery and armed attacks against ships anchored at the Brazilian port of Santos, Masters are advised to remain vigilant and question the intentions of all craft approaching their vessels. According to recent data received, attacks have apparently occurred at dawn while the ships were anchored in the bay. The attackers were armed and arrived in launches with several pirates on board. In at least one recent incident it was reported that a hostage was taken.

The Administration recommends the following measures be taken when anchored in the Brazilian port of Santos:

- Emphasize extra security measures by adding more security personnel and roving watches as necessary.
- Refresh the crew regarding all the anti piracy measures as recommended by the ship security plan.
- Brief the crew regarding special security measures taken, before arrival to this region.
- Employ as much lighting as possible when at anchorage or in port; and necessary lighting that does not impede the safe conduct of navigation when underway.
- Rig all the available equipment necessary to deter pirates from coming on board such as charging fire hoses.
- Masters are encouraged, when possible, to avoid dropping anchor and to drift and stand by to increase speed and leave the area if need be.
- Keep a constant radar watch and closely monitor all targets.
- Complete a Declaration of Security and implement highest security measures necessary.
- Master's are advised to keep in close coordination with the CSO, Authorities, and Administration.
- Ensure that ship's crew understands their part in all anti piracy measures, and have all the necessary security training required.

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