

RECOMMENDED SHIPBOARD PROTECTION MEASURES

Key Observations and Insights – From Sea Robbery Incident Reports

- The modus operandi of perpetrators remains consistent with that of petty crime: (a) avoided confrontation, and (b) fled immediately upon being sighted by ship crew
- In majority of the reported incidents, perpetrators boarded the targeted vessels from the aft using grapnel hook or ladder
- Hence, IFC assess that the adoption of basic shipboard protection when transiting known hotspots would suffice to deter potential perpetrators from even attempting to board vessel, without imposing additional load to ship crew

Recommended Measures



Maintain an all-round lookout from an elevated position, with focus on suspicious small craft(s) approaching or in proximity to the ship's aft



Turn on weather deck lighting around the accommodation block and rear-facing lighting on the poop deck



Sound the ship's alarm when suspicious small craft(s) sighted

