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SUB: ANTI PIRACY / ARMED ROBBERY / PETTY THEFT / UNAUTHORIZED BOARDING – MEASURES BY THE PORTS AND SHIPS

1. It has been brought to the notice of the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) that foreign ships calling Indian ports, when experiencing incident of Petty theft / Piracy / Armed robbery and unauthorized boarding occurring either alongside, or at anchorage or at an ISPS compliant port, are directly reporting such incidents to International Maritime Bureau (IMB) Piracy reporting Centre at Kuala Lumpur and not communicating to the Coastal Authorities. Non-reporting of such incidents to the coastal authorities by the ships in the Indian waters is viewed seriously by D.G.Shipping. It cannot be over-emphasized that such incidents are reported to coastal authorities for facilitating corrective measures.
2. Attention is invited to this Directorate's earlier Circular No. NT / ISPS / Security / No. 2 / 2008 dated 05th August' 2008 on the subject and it is reiterated that all ships including harbour crafts and offshore supply vessels shall strictly adhere to the reporting of such incidents to the coastal authorities in the prescribed format as stated in said circular.
3. This issues with the approval of Director General of Shipping.


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