



"Piracy, the curse of maritime transport"

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Maritime Piracy Humanitarian Response Programme

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Piracy and Armed Robbery Incidents 2011



**UN and IMO Resolutions
Contact Group for Piracy off the
Coast of Somalia**

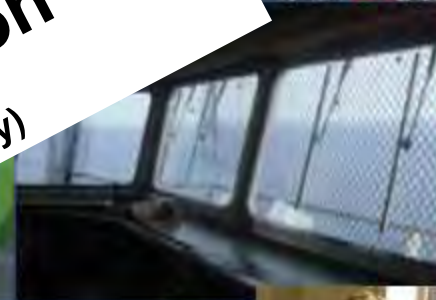


Source: IMB

<http://www.icc-ccs.org/piracy-reporting-centre/imb-live-piracy-map>

Response of Governments and Industry

**Annual Cost of Piracy
USD 7+ billion**
(Oceans Beyond Piracy)



Maritime Piracy Humanitarian Response Programme

A pan industry alliance developing a continuum of care for Seafarers and their families affected by Piracy

Our purpose:

“ to assist seafarers and their families with the humanitarian aspects of a traumatic incident caused by a piracy attack, armed robbery or being taken hostage ”

A not for profit unincorporated association, launched in 2011 and funded initially by the ITF Seafarers' Trust and the TK Foundation

Delivering on the IMO's action plan to “provide care for those attacked or hijacked by pirates and for their families”.

“Orchestrating the Response, 2011”

Partners in the MPHRP Programme



plus Member Companies and Associations,
and supported by the IMO and ILO



MPHRP: Programme structure

- **Task group** meetings of multi-disciplined, international experts, *including psychosocial, social and pastoral consultants and advisers*
- **Fact finding** meetings and interviews with seafarers and families worldwide, *including many with first hand experience of attacks*
- **Advisory groups** sharing and developing industry and associations' practices and procedures, training and skills required
- **Project steering group** *to advise and assist with the coordination*



“ sharing experiences and good practices to be better prepared ”

Humanitarian Response

Focus on seafarers and their families



Focus is on all three phases of a piracy incident

- **Before** - pre deployment
- **During** - attack, citadel situation and/or kidnap
- **After** - post incident / post release



Humanitarian Response

Facing the facts and the realities

“ Pragmatic preparation ”

Thousands of seafarers have been taken hostage.

Tens of thousands of seafarers have been subjected to a piracy attack.

Hundreds of thousands of seafarers are regularly transiting piracy infested waters.

Millions of family members fear for the safety of these seafarers.

“ Maritime Piracy is a reality for a small number of seafarers and their families ”

“ The fear of Maritime Piracy is a reality for a majority of seafarers and their families ”

During an incident !

“ Coping ”

Seafarers



Families



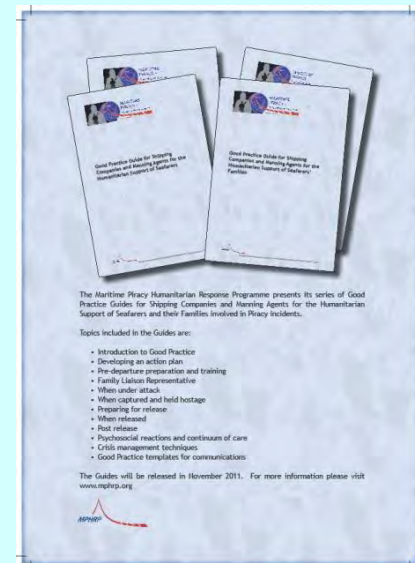
After an incident !

“ Care and support ”



MPHRP Deliverables

- **24 Hour Piracy Helpline –**
international toll-free, multilingual
- **Good Practice Guides**
- **Training Modules**
- **Support Networks –**
primary and secondary care



<http://www.mphrp.org/MPHRP-Good-Practice-Guide.pdf>

Introduction

Good Practice Guide for Shipping Companies and Manning Agents for the Humanitarian Support of Seafarers

- Section 1: Introduction
- Section 2: Good Practice During the Pre-Crisis Period
- Section 3: Seafarer Preparation
- Section 4: When under attack
- Section 5: When captured and held hostage
- Section 6: When released

Good Practice Guide for Shipping Companies and Manning Agents for the Humanitarian Support of Seafarers' Families

- Section 1: Introduction
- Section 2: Good Practice During the Pre-Crisis Period
- Section 3: Developing an Action Plan for the Pre-Deployment Stage
- Section 4: Development of an Action Plan in the Event of an Attack
- Section 5: Role of the Family Liaison Representative at the Time of Release

Appendices

- Appendix 1: Key concepts used throughout the consultation process as framework
- documents
- Appendix 2: Family Leaflet
- Appendix 3: Seafarers' nomination of Family Contact Person
- Appendix 4: Local Resource Contact
- Appendix 5: Family Liaison Representative - telephone scripts
- Appendix 6: Letter templates
- Appendix 7: Log of call made to Family Contact
- MPHRP Funders, Partners and Observers
- Contributors and Staff
- Objective and Contacts



MPHRP: Next Steps

- **Preparing pre-departure training guides**, including train the trainer modules
- **Developing Good Practice Guides for First Responders** with associated training courses and modules
- **Establishing Regional focal points/representatives** for the MPHRP programme
- **Building the networks of responders**
- **Partnering in “Prevention is Better than Cure” and similar workshops** with NATO, EUNAVFOR and others
- **Promoting the awareness of the humanitarian aspects and effects of piracy**

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KEY MESSAGES:

- **The Human Costs of Piracy are too often forgotten**
- **An industry-wide coalition exists to provide support and assistance to seafarers and their families who are affected by piracy**
- **This on-going programme is developing and delivering good practice guides and training programmes, and providing responders and carers with the appropriate knowledge and skills**





Maritime Piracy **Humanitarian Response Programme**

Caring for seafarers, their families, colleagues
and supporters



Thank you

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