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Intelligence update, April 13, 2009, for GoA

Maltese flagged bulk carrier **MV PANAMAX ANNA** was attacked in the GOA IRTC while on the westbound transit approx 110nm N of Bosasso. The attack (reported at 0400 UTC) was by a single skiff with 6 person on board firing automatic weapons. There was no attempted to board the **MV PANAMAX ANNA** by the pirates even though a ladder was seen aboard the skiff. After the attack the **PANAMAX ANNA** has continued on its journey.

Hijacked: Italian flagged Tug **BUCCANEER** attacked in GOA IRTC on the westbound transit. The pirates used two skiffs to approach the tug, used small arms and then boarded the vessel. Vessel is currently heading south with the 2 towed barges. Further escorted by four skiffs.

Marshall Island-flagged Container vessel **DAL MADAGASCAR** attacked in position 330 nm South-East of Hoby on 11 April. Two skiffs launched by a smaller vessel at a distance of 7 nm each with four pirates on board attacked the vessel with small arms and RPG. Vessel has been chased by skiff with speed up to 23.5 knots. After thirty minutes the pirates abandoned the attack.

MV NILUFER SULTAN reported an approach by same boats that had been seen alongside Tug **BUCCANEER** before.

MV ANATOLIA stated that she suffered an attack at 0415 UTC while transiting eastwards on the IRTC, 92nm N of Berbera. The ships master said one skiff with 8 armed pirates attacked the vessel. **MV ANATOLIA** master confirmed the attack by saying that on her superstructure 3 impacts of different diameters (10-15 and 25 cm) were found. **MV ANATOLIA** altered course, increased speed and manned fire hoses while the skiff remained 100 metres from the vessel for 5 more minutes. The skiff then turned away and proceed southwest.

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