



**ANTI SHIPPING ACTIVITY
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Date of Occurrence:	08/31/2001	Reference Number:	2001-243
Geographical Subregion:	62	Geographical Location:	11° 08' 00" N 43° 53' 00" E
Aggressor:	PIRATES	Victim:	MAURICE EWING

Description: GULF OF ADEN:31 AUGUST 2001, 1410 GMT, U.S. RESEARCH VESSEL MAURICE EWING ATTACKEDBY 4-6 ARMED PERSONS OPERATING A SMALL CRAFT IN THE GULF OF ADEN.THE RV MAURICE EWING WAS CONDUCTING OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH NEAR11-08N AND 043-53E, OFF-SHORE NORTHERN SOMALIA. THE SHIP WASFOLLOWED AND APPROACHED BY THE ATTACKING VESSEL AND FIRED UPONWITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND SHOULDER FIRED ROCKET LAUNCHERS.NUMEROUS SMALL ARMS ROUNDS AND AT LEAST ONE ROCKET WAS FIRED, BUTMISSED AND DID NOT DETONATE. THE SHIP EFFECTED AN ANTI-PIRACY PLANAND MADE WAY OFF-SHORE. THE ATTACKERS PURSUED FOR APPROXIMATELYTWENTY MINUTES BEFORE TURNING AWAY. THERE WERE NO INJURIES TO THESHIP'S CREW OR SCIENTIFIC PARTY AND NO VISIBLE DAMAGE TO THE VESSELAS A RESULT OF THE INCIDENT.

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