

Campbell Shipping

Product: Piracy – a Campbell Shipping perspective

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Overview

Campbell Shipping has taken a proactive approach to training its sea staff about the realities of piracy by preparing a 29-minute video that uses footage taken on one of its vessels as it prepared to enter the High Risk Area and of the security measures taken during transit. The video demonstrates how *BMP4* recommendations are achieved in practice. It includes a risk assessment being carried out, followed by a review of the ship security plan by the master and ship security officer, comments from the master before entering the HRA on the likely threat and from a crew member on crew morale at that stage, plus comments from a cadet and the chief officer on their experiences of the preparation and transit.

The video shows deployment of fire hoses and physical barriers, testing of external comms equipment, crew briefings, locking stores and compartments on deck, testing of internal communications, SSAS, hand steering, SART and deck lights and fog horns. Drills in case of pirate attack and of retreat to the citadel are covered, plus checks on emergency equipment and critical machinery and testing of the lifeboat's engine.

Footage of security measures taken during transit includes enhanced lookout, wearing of PPE while on bridge duty, use of night vision binoculars and close watch on radar. A briefing by armed guards is recorded as well as the vessel reporting to MSCHOA and UKMTO.

The safety of its crew is the company's top priority, which means keeping them fully informed and ready to work together as a team. ■

An advertisement for Campbell Shipping Company Limited. On the left, a large green and red cargo ship is shown at sea. On the right, a dark blue box contains the company name in gold, 'Campbell Shipping Company Limited', and 'Technical and Crew Management' in white. Below this, contact information is listed: 'Nassau, The Bahamas', 'Office: 1-242-397-1795', 'Mumbai, India', 'Tel: +91-22-6649188', and 'www.csbtc.com'. At the bottom of the box, the slogan 'Safety Our Priority. Excellence Our Commitment' is written in white.