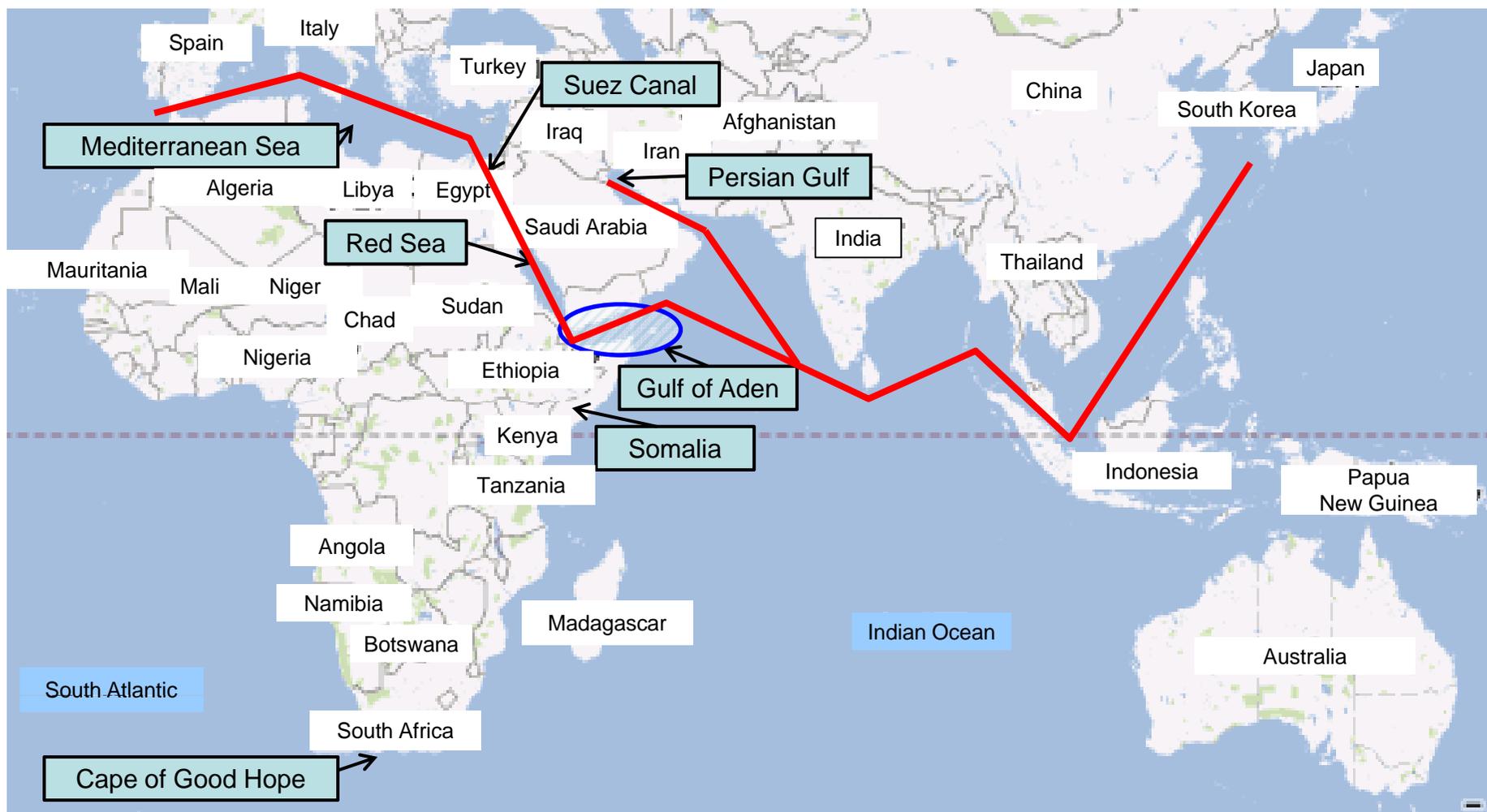


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# Sea Lanes Connecting the Gulf of Aden and the Persian Gulf to Japan

- Gulf of Aden: Strategic point of maritime transport, which connects Asia to Europe via the Suez Canal  
The Gulf is such a vast stretch of waters (about 900 km long and up to 400 km wide) that it is difficult to effectively take measures to control piracy.
- Persian Gulf: Important sea route for transport of energy resources such as crude oil and LNG to Japan  
88 percent of crude oil Japan imports is transported through the Persian Gulf.



# Somali Pirates

Pirates armed with rocket launchers and guns



Courtesy of the International Maritime Organization (IMO)



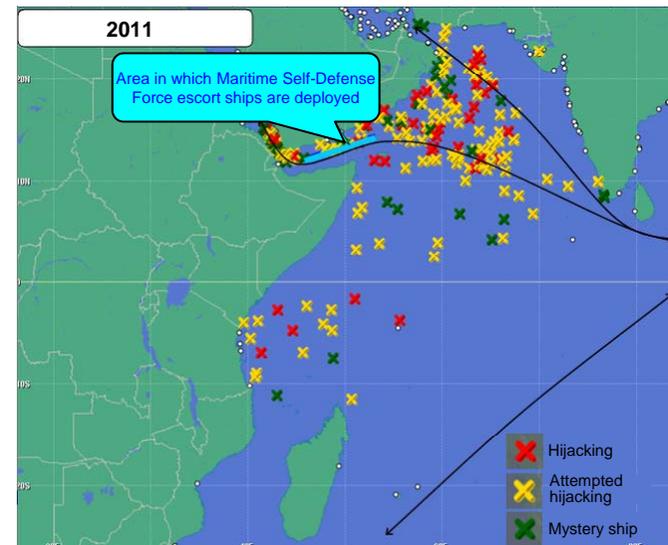
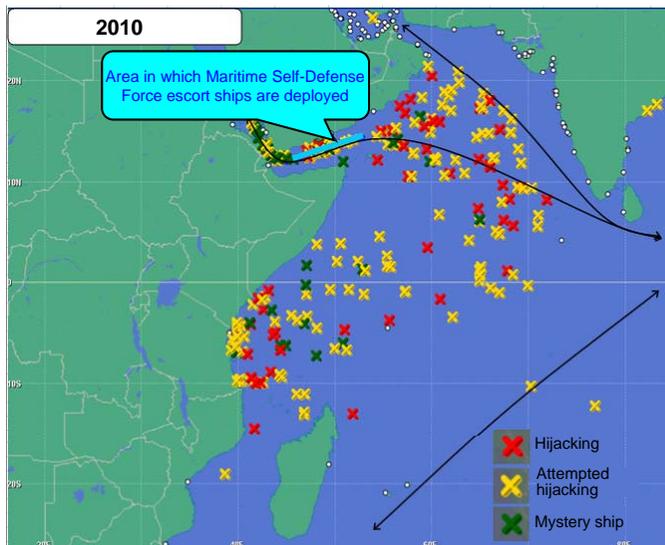
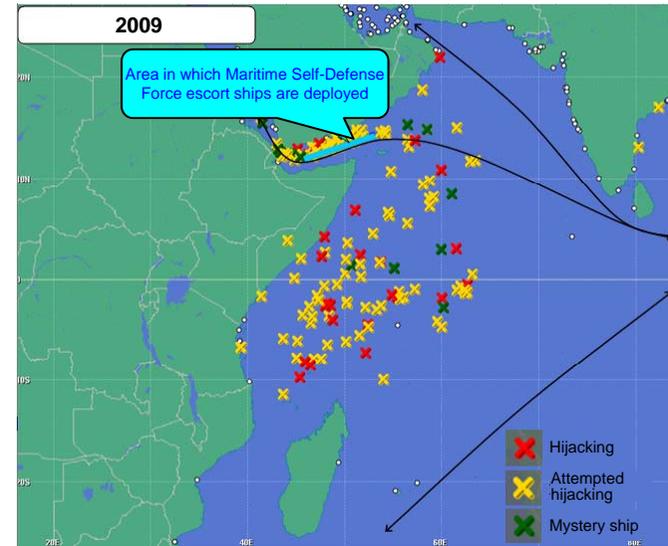
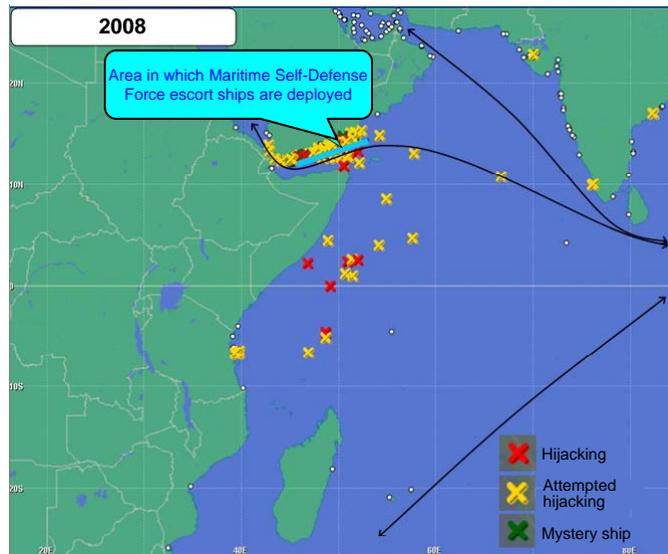
Pirates' mother ships  
(moving around in and beyond  
the Gulf of Aden)



Skiff used at the time of attack

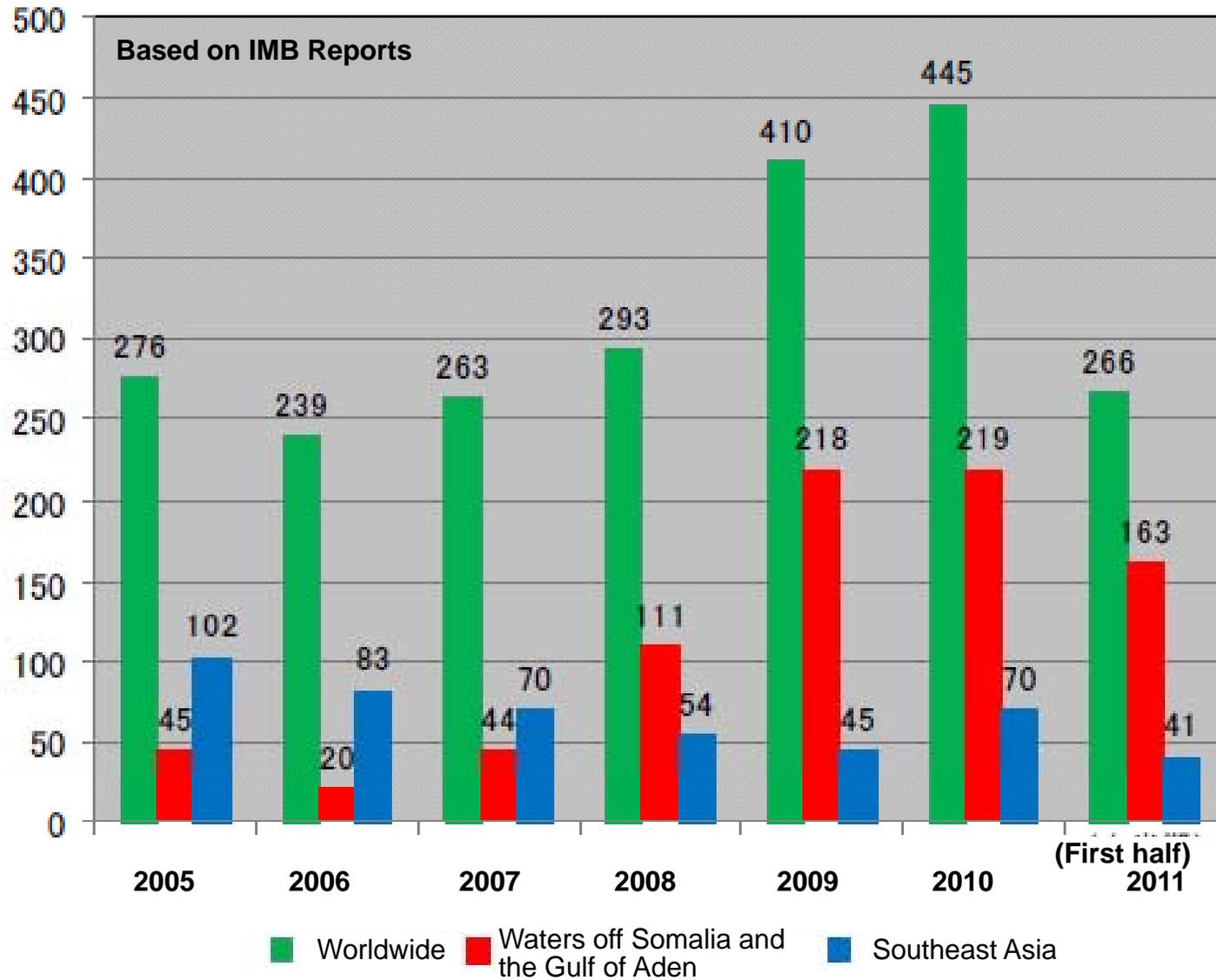
Courtesy of BBC, etc.

# Piracy Has Expanded to Cover Indian Ocean (2008~2011)



(Source: International Maritime Bureau (IMB), EU, etc. The figures for 2011 cover only the period from January 1 to September 21.)

# Changes in the Number of Piracy Cases in the World



Source: International Maritime Bureau (IMB) materials

# Initiatives to Control Piracy (as of June 2011)

**Table 1: Warships dispatched**

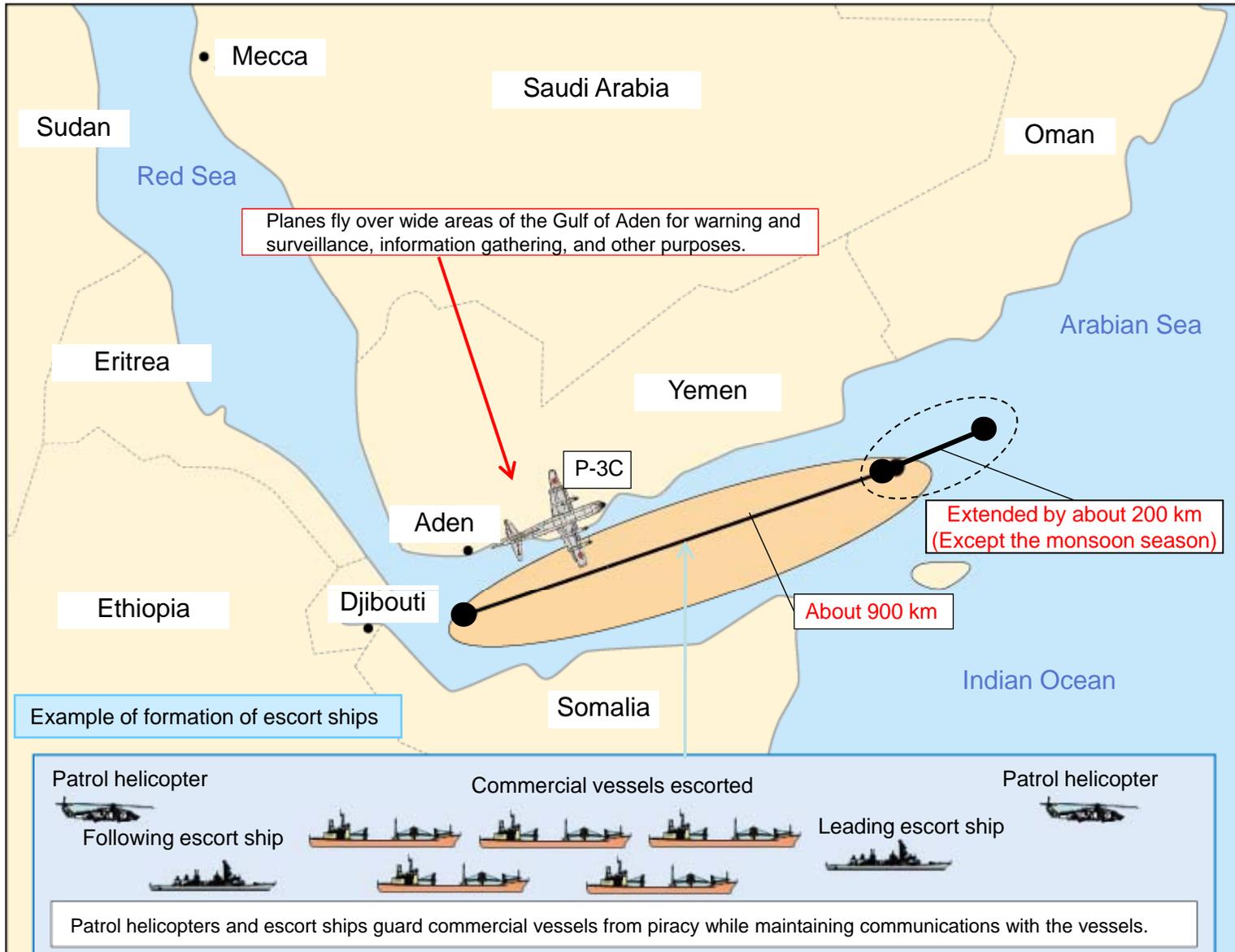
Fleet of escort ships	Dispatched by	Number
NATO	U.S. (2 ships), Netherlands, Denmark, and Turkey	5
EU	France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Greece, and Portugal	6
CTF-151	U.S. (2 ships), Turkey, Singapore, South Korea, and U.K. (Details are unknown because these countries take turns sending ships to the pirate-infested waters)	6
Each country (dispatched independently)	Japan	2
	U.S.	1
	Russia	3
	India	1
	China	3
	South Korea	1
	Australia	1
	Malaysia	1
	Iran	2
Saudi Arabia	1	
Total		33

**Table 2: Patrol planes dispatched**

Dispatched by	Number
Japan (2 planes), Germany, France, U.S., Australia, Spain, Singapore, and Sweden	9

(Source: The Japanese Shipowners' Association materials)

# Self-Defense Forces' Operations to Control Piracy in the Gulf of Aden



Source: Annual Defense White Paper 2011