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**Political and Economic Impact of Somalia Piracy
During the Period (1991-2012)**

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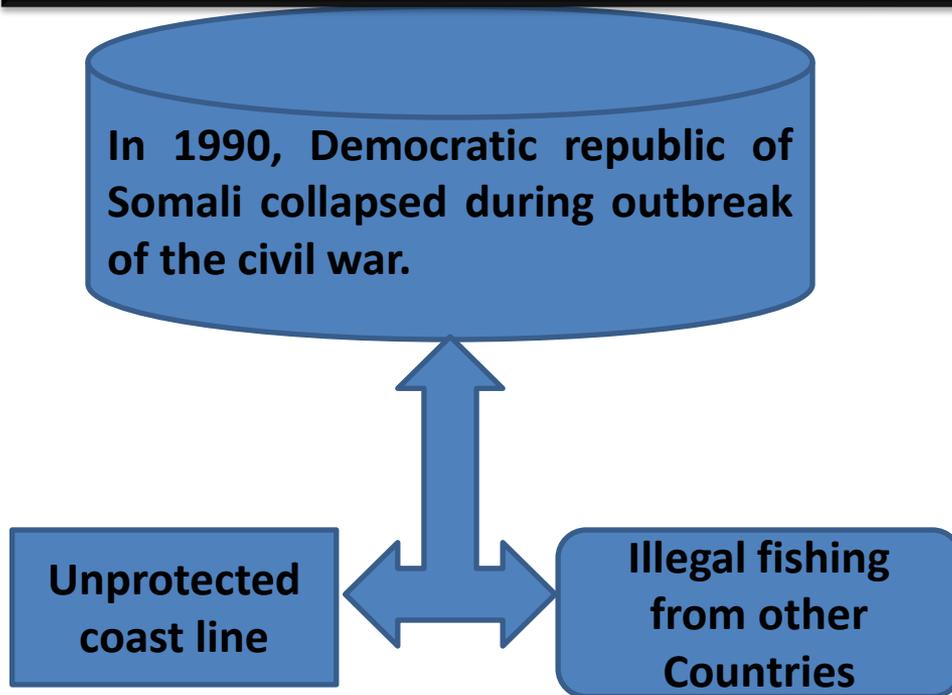
History of Maritime Piracy

- History of Piracy is Returned to 2000 years ago.
- Greeks and Romans were dominating Maritime piracy in Europe.
- During 1620-1720, piracy was flourished and was known as golden age of piracy.
- The main reason is economic gain.

 = Actual Attack  = Attempted Attack  = Suspicious vessel



• History of Somali Piracy



Result to that, Somali fishermen appealed for international help to deal with the illegal fishing and dumping, but no action was taken.

the local fishermen took up arms to attack the commercial ships in the region, in an attempt to stop the stealing of fish and the dumping of toxic waste.

Dependent and Independent variables

Variable Name	Type of the Variable	The Relationship
Poor social situations	Economic	Positive
Democratic System	Political	Negative
Good Governance	Political	Negative
Police Sector	Economic	Negative
Fishermen Sector	Economic	Negative
Pirates Sector	Economic	Positive
Natural Disaster	Natural	Negative

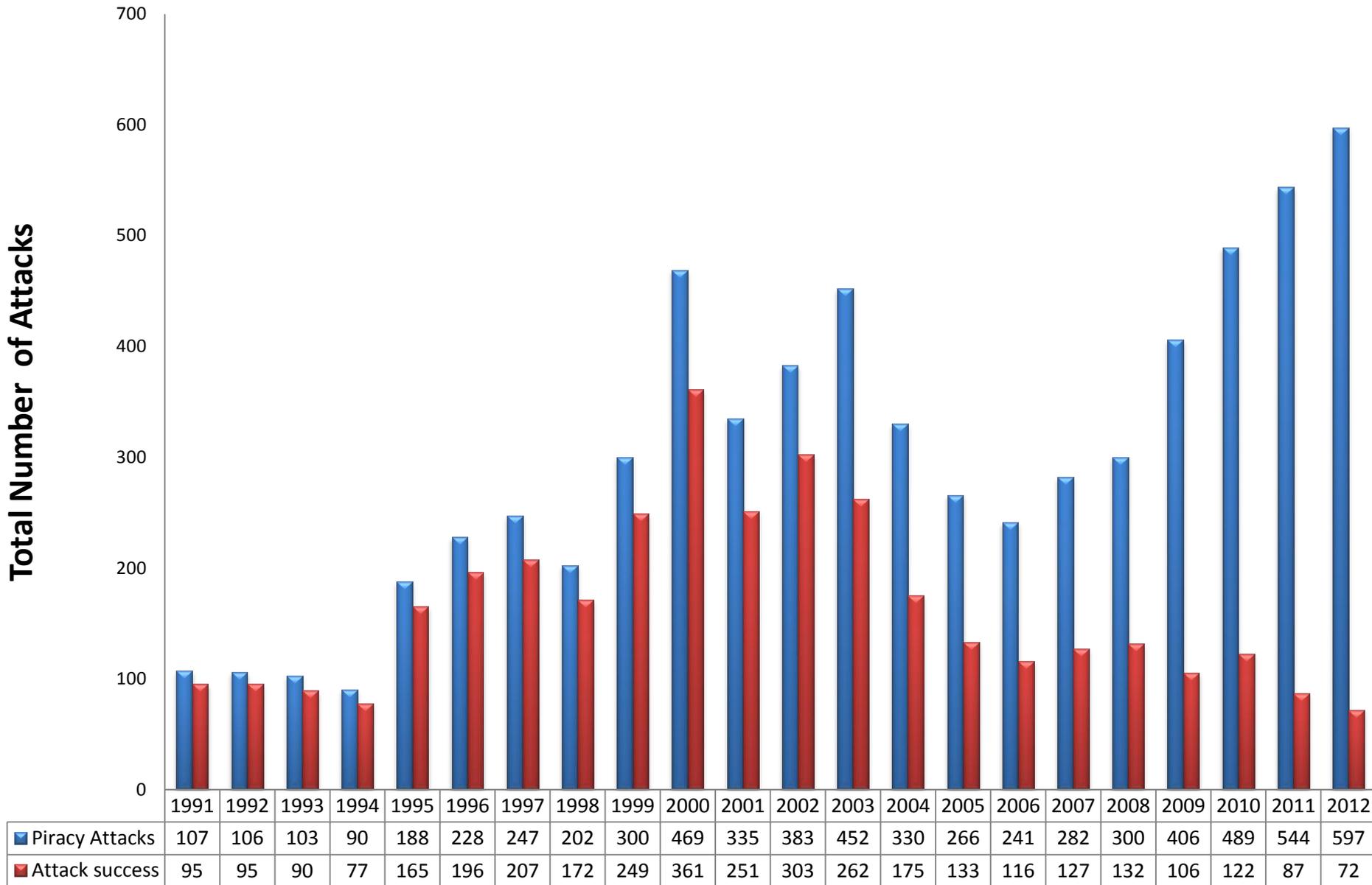
Research Questions and Hypotheses

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- Why in certain areas there are piracy activities?
- Why the Pirate attack success rate is decreasing over time?

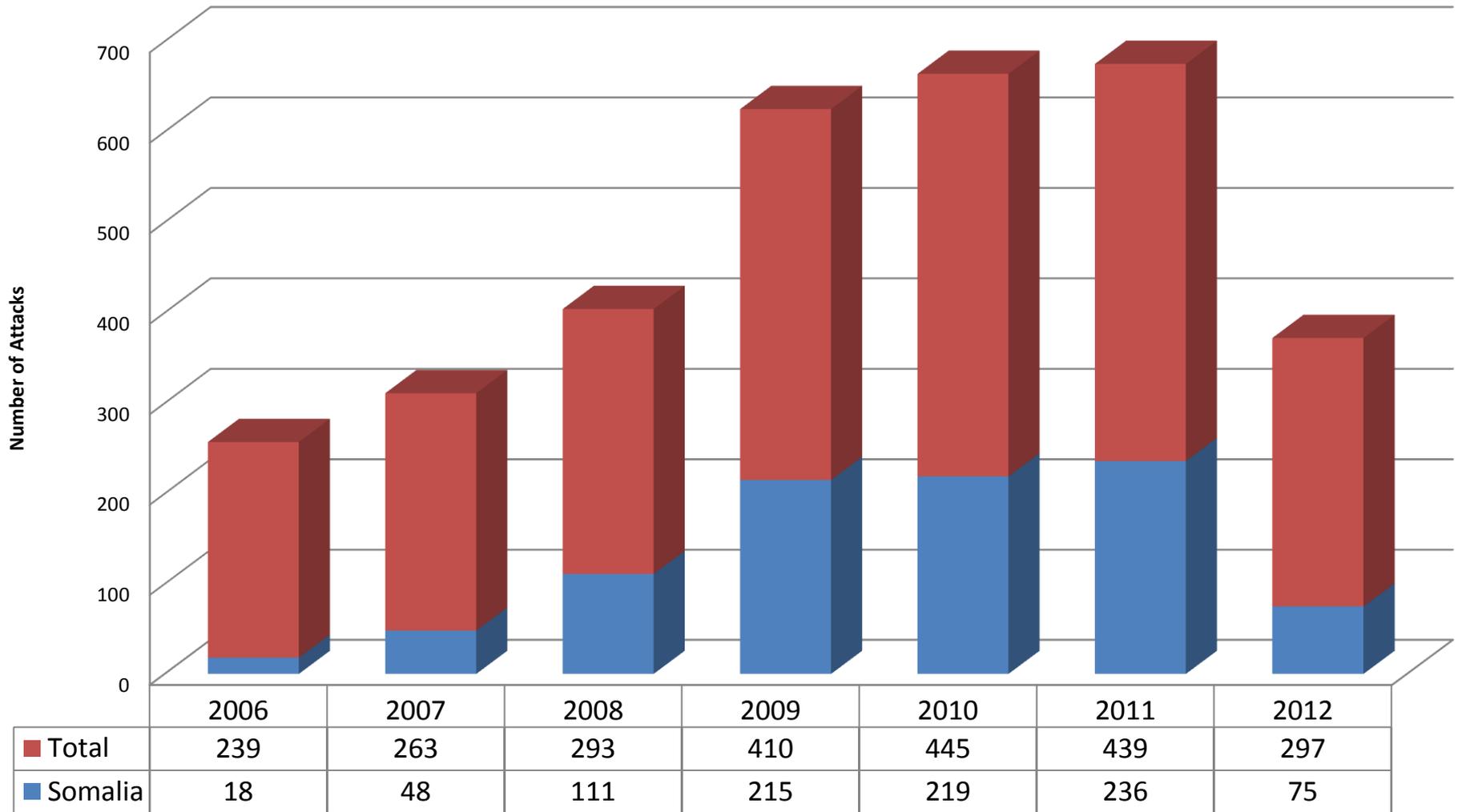
Research Hypothesis

- A country with higher political freedoms tend to have less number of pirates.
- countries with poor social situations, tend to have piracy activities.



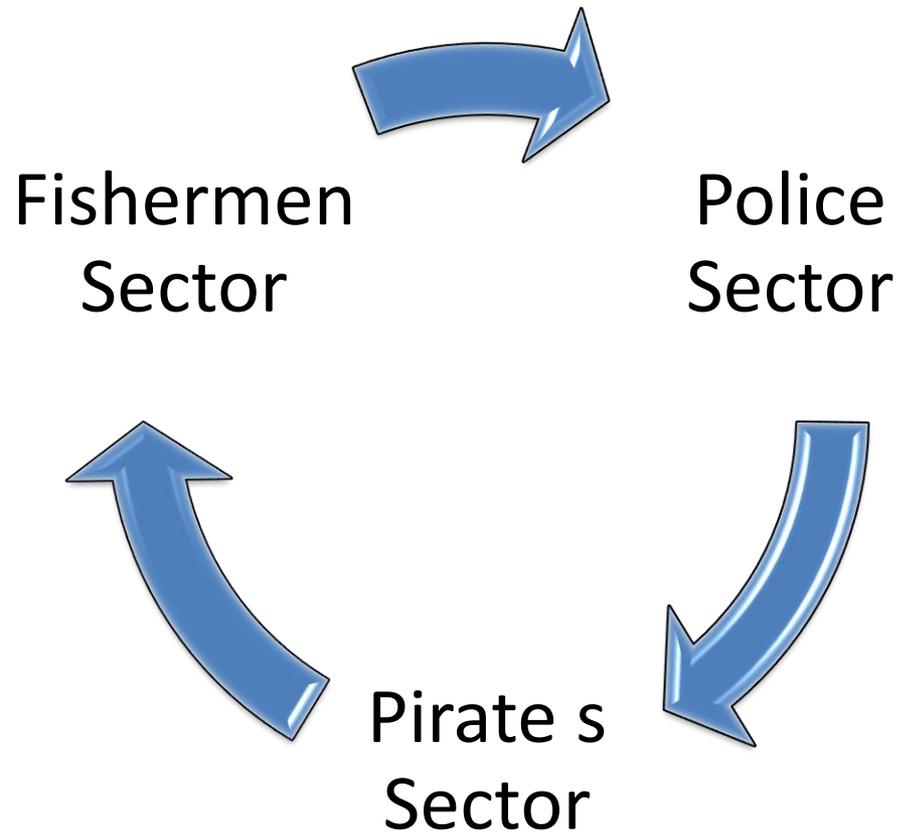
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Somalia Piracy 2006-2012



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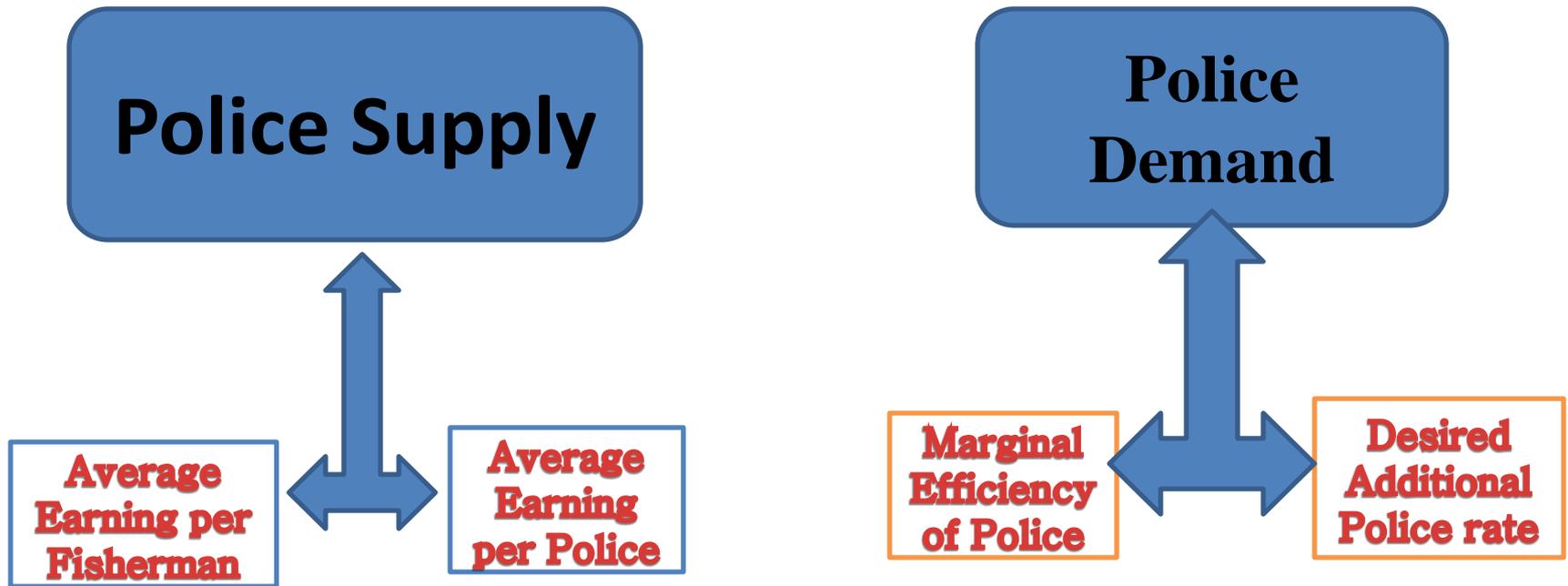
The Three-sector model



Three-sector model

Police Sector	Fishermen sector	Pirates Sector	Attractiveness
Higher	Lower	Lower	Police Sector
Lower	Higher	Lower	Fisherman Sector
Lower	Lower	Higher	Piracy Sector
Higher	Higher	Higher	Police Sector
Lower	Lower	Lower	Policy Sector

Police Sector and Fishermen sector



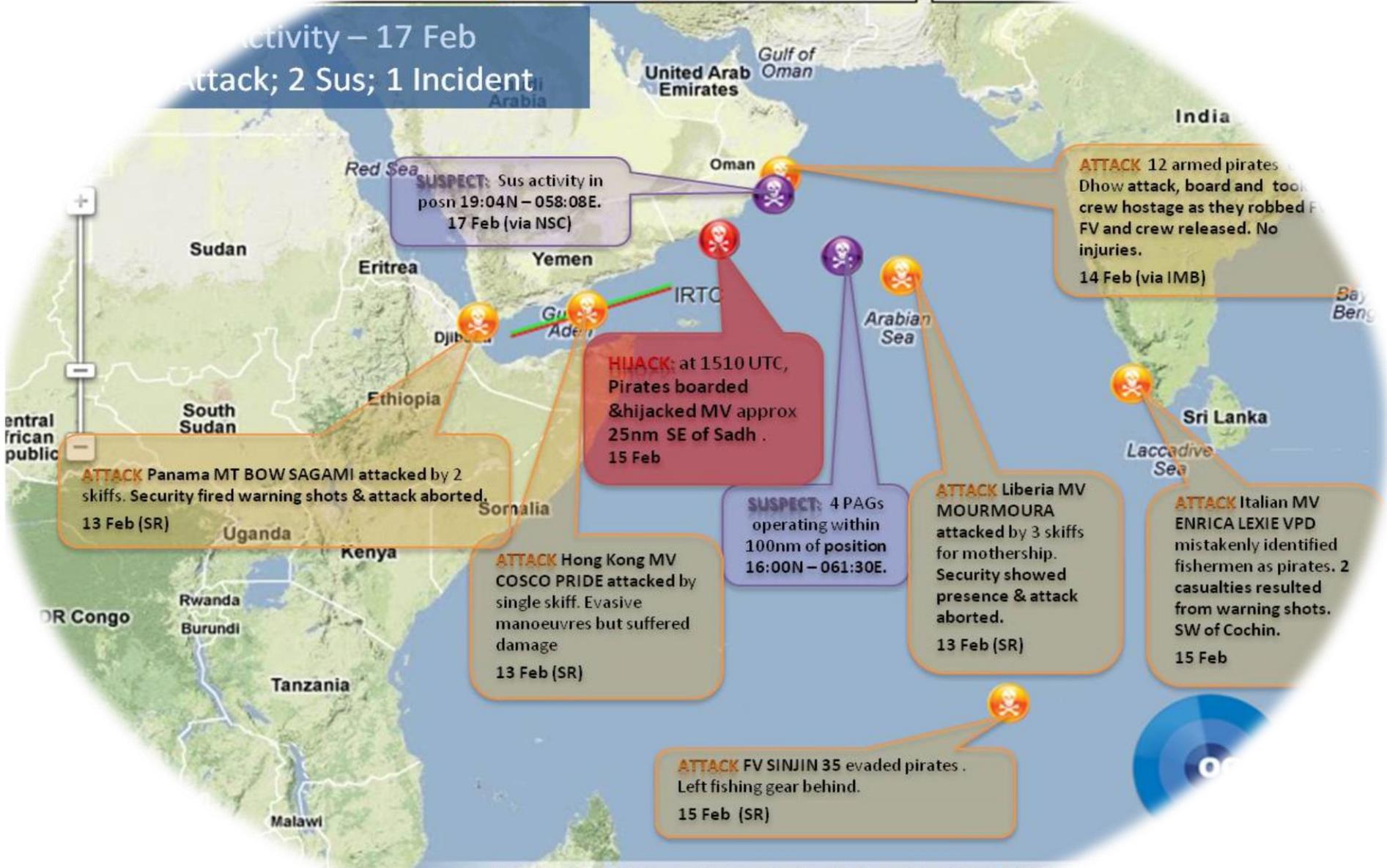
International Community efforts

- The United States, Russia and India, among other nations, have fielded warships and Navy special forces teams to deal directly with pirates and pirate ships.
- Various government entities in Somalia have also worked to stop piracy by attacking their bases on land.
- African Union , the European Union, and the United States support Somali government to get rid of Piracy.
- In January 2010, the European Union has set up the European Training Mission Somalia (EUTM), to contribute to the training of Somali security forces. The mission takes place in Uganda and is characterized by close cooperation with the African Union and Somali Government.

Suspect Activity  Pirate Attack  Vessel Hijack  Fishing

16°38'55"

Suspect Activity – 17 Feb
Attack; 2 Sus; 1 Incident



SUSPECT: Sus activity in posn 19:04N – 058:08E. 17 Feb (via NSC)

HIJACK: at 1510 UTC, Pirates boarded & hijacked MV approx 25nm SE of Sadr . 15 Feb

SUSPECT: 4 PAGs operating within 100nm of position 16:00N – 061:30E.

ATTACK 12 armed pirates Dhow attack, board and took crew hostage as they robbed FV and crew released. No injuries. 14 Feb (via IMB)

ATTACK Panama MT BOW SAGAMI attacked by 2 skiffs. Security fired warning shots & attack aborted. 13 Feb (SR)

ATTACK Hong Kong MV COSCO PRIDE attacked by single skiff. Evasive manoeuvres but suffered damage 13 Feb (SR)

ATTACK Liberia MV MOURMOURA attacked by 3 skiffs for mothership. Security showed presence & attack aborted. 13 Feb (SR)

ATTACK Italian MV ENRICA LEXIE VPD mistakenly identified fishermen as pirates. 2 casualties resulted from warning shots. SW of Cochin. 15 Feb

ATTACK FV SINJIN 35 evaded pirates . Left fishing gear behind. 15 Feb (SR)

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1 Month 12 Month

Fishing Base

Conclusion

- According to statistical figures, all piracy incidence in 1991 occurred in one region, which is Southeast Asia.
- The war between Kuwait and Iraq had an enormous impact on shrinking the number of piracy incidence during 1991-1994.
- Also, Natural Disasters considered one of the reasons that could reduce piracy activities in the world. One well known example is Tsunami in Southeast Asia.
- Pirates Sector is a catchy sector among the three sector, because of the high level of attractiveness it offers.

Recommendation

- The international community must work to improve the legislative and judicial capacity of the Somalia's territories of Somalia, so that pirates can be prosecuted and incarcerated in their districts of origin. Policymakers in Somalia should also resist the temptation to pirates on the relatively functional.
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- Bilateral society is to establish a public fishery to end piracy, which would be the best means in the world to prevent Piracy, and employ a number of poor people.

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