

Another pirate attack reported in the Gulf of Guinea

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A cargo ship, possibly bulk carrier **CP Tianjin** (IMO 9710505), was reported to have been approached by pirates in the Gulf of Guinea and about 45 minutes later it was reported to have been attacked.

The ship was not formally identified, but according to tracking the CP Tianjin was the leading candidate to have been the vessel concerned.

It tried to evade the pirates by changing course and increasing its speed but was attacked 45 minutes later at around 17:00 UTC on June 6th, a full 220nm south of Lagos, Nigeria.

There have been no AIS details since then, probably meaning that it has been boarded.

The CP Tianjin was en route from Port Harcourt, Nigeria to Santos, Brazil. Formal confirmation of the victim ship was still being awaited.

2016-built, Marshall Islands-flagged, 36,332 gt CP Tianjin is owned by CP Tianjin Shipping SA care of manager Parakou Shipping Ltd of Hong Kong, China. It is entered with North of England Club on behalf of CP Tianjin Shipping SA.