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Global Rescue contributes to anti-piracy efforts

As piracy continues to drive up the costs in the shipping industry and increase the risks to crew members, Boston-based Global Rescue LLC has teamed with merchant mariner industry experts to create a long-term anti-piracy solution.

Circumventing the Horn of Africa to avoid treacherous waters can cost companies more than \$500,000 per shipment in fuel alone. In the absence of effective government or coalition-led responses to these attacks, shipping companies are turning to private entities such as Global Rescue for answers.

Global Rescue's Maritime Security and Anti-Piracy Program is run by maritime, communications and security experts. A key component is ensuring that crews have the training and organic tools necessary to prevent and repel unauthorized boardings and attacks in high-threat waters while simultaneously providing additional manpower to defend the ship. The program involves maritime, communications and security experts boarding the transiting vessel three to four days prior to the passage of dangerous waters to execute the anti-piracy program.

Consistent with Global Rescue's mission as a company focused on rescue

and safety, the program leverages the company's assets and hospitals worldwide to provide expert medical consultation -- in conjunction with its partner, Johns Hopkins Medicine -- and medical evacuation if necessary. Global Rescue's Maritime Security and Anti-Piracy Program is being offered to ship owners using the Straits of Malacca, the Gulf of Aden and the Cape of Good Hope for transit.

In addition to its Maritime Security and Anti-Piracy Program, the Boston-based crisis response company has a network of medically equipped, fixed and rotary-wing aircraft on every continent, thousands of vetted hospitals worldwide that can provide treatment in any patient's language, and a selection of Centers of Excellence around the globe that offer medical care on par with that available in the United States. Its deployable paramedics routinely respond to emergencies in the most remote reaches of the planet. Through these means Global Rescue provides the maritime industry the best medical advice, transport and treatment regardless of location. Visit Global Rescue at <http://www.globalrescue.com/maritime/>.

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