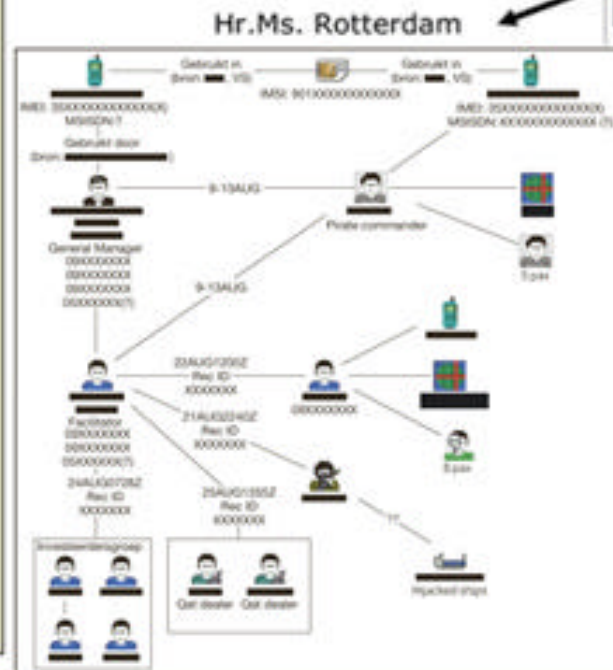


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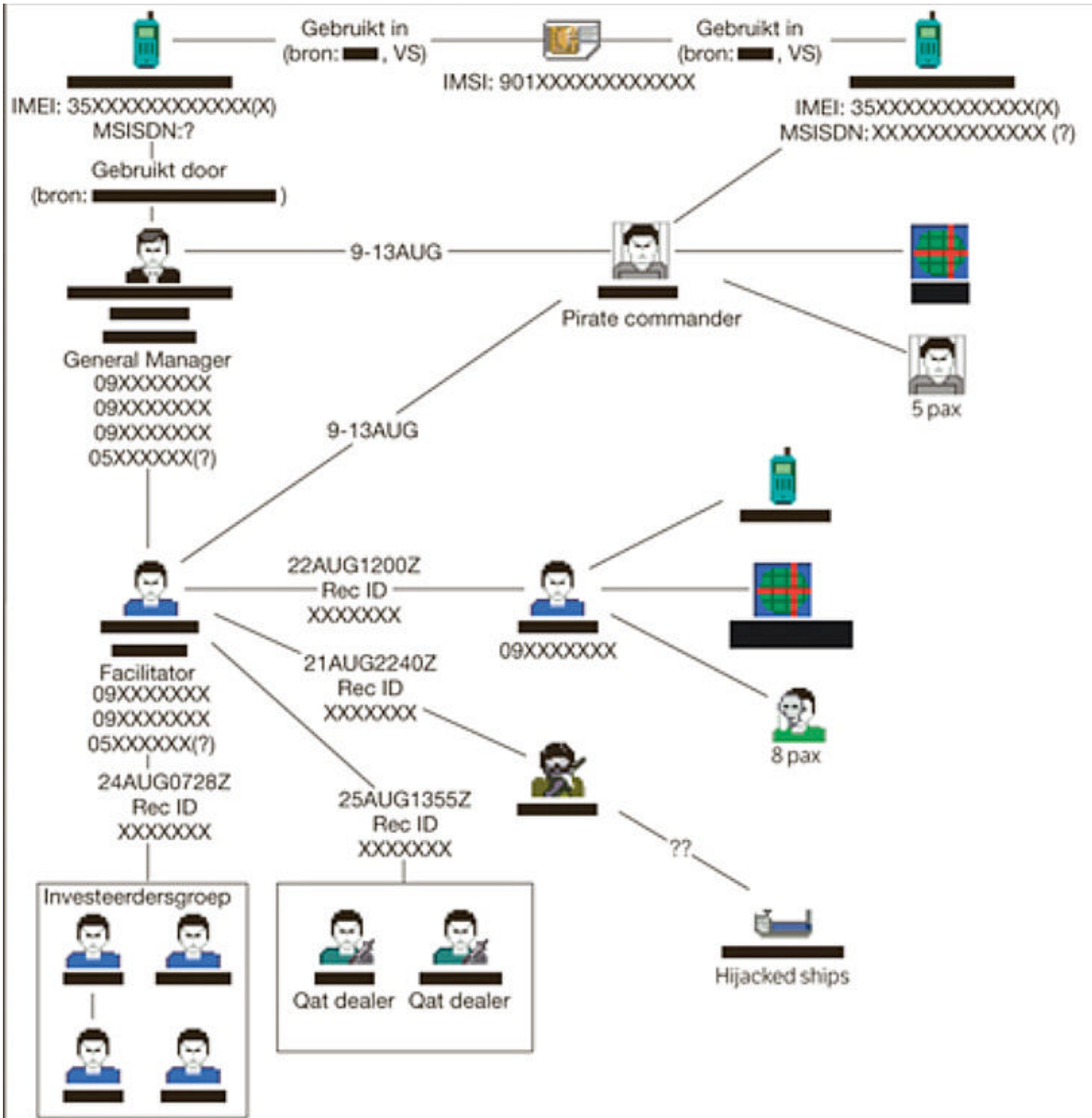
Mission Management Success Stories

- (S//SI//REL TO USA, NLD) Collection of Somali [REDACTED] operation to board a Pakistani vessel hijacked by Somali pirates, capture the pirates, and rescue the crew. On 13 August 2012, the Dutch HMS Rotterdam (the flagship for the NATO anti-piracy operation OCEAN SHIELD), in cooperation with two ships from the EU anti-piracy operation ATALANTA, boxed in the hijacked vessel and launched the special operation.
- (S//SI//REL TO USA, NLD) At the beginning of August, the Dutch Defense Intelligence and Security Service (MIVD) alerted the Rotterdam about a piracy-related intercept. During the week of 6 August, MIVD continued to update the Rotterdam on the hijacked vessel's course and the pirates' intentions. Meanwhile, the Rotterdam intercepted [REDACTED] communications [REDACTED] regarding reactions and activities. The Dutch were able to [REDACTED] communications because NSA agreed to provide them [REDACTED] capability for the duration of the Rotterdam's participation in OCEAN SHIELD.
- (S//SI//REL TO USA, NLD) In the wake of the special operation, collection in the Netherlands and [REDACTED] collection in Somalia led to [REDACTED] selectors and the mapping of a piracy-related network.



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FAD Success Stories Sample

Each FAD success story should have the 4 sections: Title, Problem, Solution, and Impact.
See below for sample.

- (U) **Title:** (TS//SI//NF) ██████████ Capability Provided to Dutch Assists in Capture of Somali Pirates and Mapping of Piracy-Related Network
- (U) **Problem:** (TS//SI//NF) NSA access to Somali pirate communications has dropped, partly because of the success of anti-piracy operations but also because many pirates have switched to land-based operations, and NSA does not have access to Somali ██████████ communications.
- (U) **Solution:** (S//SI//REL TO USA, NLD) In early 2012, the Dutch Defense Intelligence and Security Service (MIVD) informed NSA that it was secretly placing ██████████ a SIGINT team on the Dutch vessel *HMS Rotterdam*, the flagship for the NATO anti-piracy operation OCEAN SHIELD. At MIVD's request, NSA agreed to provide ██████████ capability for the duration of the *Rotterdam's* participation in OCEAN SHIELD so that the Dutch could ██████████ communications collection during the operation.
- (U) **Impact:** (S//SI//REL TO USA, NLD) The collection ██████████ of Somali ██████████ communications aided a Dutch special operation launched from the *Rotterdam* to board a Pakistani vessel hijacked by Somali pirates, capture the pirates, and rescue the crew. On 13 August 2012, the *Rotterdam*, in cooperation with two ships from the EU anti-piracy operation ATALANTA, boxed in the hijacked vessel and launched the special operation. In early August, MIVD had alerted the *Rotterdam* about a piracy-related ██████████ and then continued to provide updates on the hijacked vessel's course and the pirates' intentions. Meanwhile, the *Rotterdam* was able to intercept ██████████ communications ██████████ In the wake of the special operation, ██████████ collection in the Netherlands and ██████████ in Somalia led to the identification of ██████████ selectors and the mapping of a piracy-related network around ██████████ ██████████

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