

Somali Pirates Convicted

A jury in Virginia, USA, has found five Somali men guilty of piracy. This is the first time this has happened in over 190 years, the U.S. Attorney says.

The five men fired at the *USS Nicholas* in April, near the Horn of Africa. They thought it was a merchant (commercial) ship. It is actually a U.S. Navy warship. The pirates used assault weapons and a rocket-propelled grenade launcher in the attack.

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