

PIRATES PICK ON UNESCORTED
MERCHANT CONVOYS AND FERRY
ILLEGAL GOODS AND PEOPLE
THROUGH SYSTEMS.



THIS PIRATE CLEARLY HAD
LITTLE VALUE FOR HUMAN LIFE,
BUT I WAS BETTING ON THE
FACT THAT HE DID CARE ABOUT
SAVING ONE PERSON: HIMSELF.



STAY CLOSE TO
THE SHIP, WEAPONS
READY IF THEY
ENGAGE.

WE WILL
HOLD OUR
FIRE.




I DOUBT
THAT, BUT I'M HERE
NONE THELESS.
WHERE'S YOUR
CAPTAIN?



UNLIKE
YOU, I AM NO
HERO. I'LL
STAY INSIDE
MY SHIP.







I'VE CONFIRMED YOUR VESSEL IS HEADING AWAY, GOOD. ONCE IT REACHES THE REQUIRED DISTANCE...MY MEN WILL RELEASE THE PRISONERS.



THAT WAS NOT OUR AGREEMENT. YOU WILL RELEASE ALL OF THEM NOW SO THAT WE CAN ASSURE THEIR SAFETY.



I WILL LET SOME OF THEM GO NOW, BUT WE HOLD YOUR QUEEN'S PRECIOUS COUSIN FOR A FEW MORE MINUTES. I DO NOT TRUST YOU, CAPTAIN.



IF THE REMAINING HOSTAGES ARE UNHARMED, I WILL NOT PURSUE YOUR VESSEL AS AGREED.



ALTHOUGH
FATE WILL CATCH
UP WITH YOU SOON
ENOUGH.



WE SHALL SEE
WON'T WE? AS A
SPECIAL TOKEN
OF MY GRATITUDE,
I OFFER YOU
THESE MEN HERE
TO DO WITH WHAT
YOU WILL.

WHAT?



YOU
CAN'T LEAVE
US HERE.

HA HA HA HA! IT'S
IMPORTANT FROM TIME TO
TIME TO PURGE THE BAD
ELEMENTS OF ANY CREW.
I'LL SEE YOU IN HELL.



THE SHIP'S
LEAVING WITHOUT
US.



