

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 NONETHELESS. WHERE'S YOUR CAPTAIN?



UNLIKE YOU, I AM NO MERO. 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.

FIGHT, YOU FOOLS!
UNLESS YOU WANT
TO SWING FROM
THE GALLOWS.

