Security Breach & Theft on Board

Regret to inform that there has been security breach onboard vessel. On 26th March at 2000 hrs LT duty AB on Anti-Piracy watch round noticed that forecastle store door Filipino lock open and door locked from inside. On further check and on forecastle noticed the hawse pipe cover butterfly bolt shifted and tied rope had been cut and half part of hawse pipe cover was in open position. Also noticed the booby hatch butterfly nuts in open position. Immediately duty AB informed bridge. Alarm was raised and Chief Officer along with crew went forward to check. They could not open the forecastle store door but could open the booby hatch cover which was originally secured from inside. They found the securing wire and bottle screw had been opened and the forecastle store door was latched from inside and 2 new mooring ropes missing. Master went forward immediately to investigate.

Surprisingly none of the Bridge watch keepers noticed any boat coming closer to vessel and thieves coming onboard.

Vessel has been keeping continuous Piracy watch 2 persons on deck between 2000 hrs till morning 0600 hrs taking continuous rounds on deck & in communication with Bridge Watch keepers.

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