For first time, private guards kill Somali pirate, Mar. 25, 2010

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Legal experts said there is no consensus on who is responsible for investigating the incident, and there are several possibilities. Panama, whose flag the Almezaan flies; the United Arab Emirates, where the ship's owners are based; or the nation which the security contractors come from, which has not yet been made public.

“This will be scrutinized very closely,” said Arvinder Sambei, a legal consultant for the U.N.'s anti-piracy program.

“There’s always been concern about these (private security) companies. Who are they responsible to? ... The bottom line is somebody has been killed and someone has to give an accounting of that.”

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