

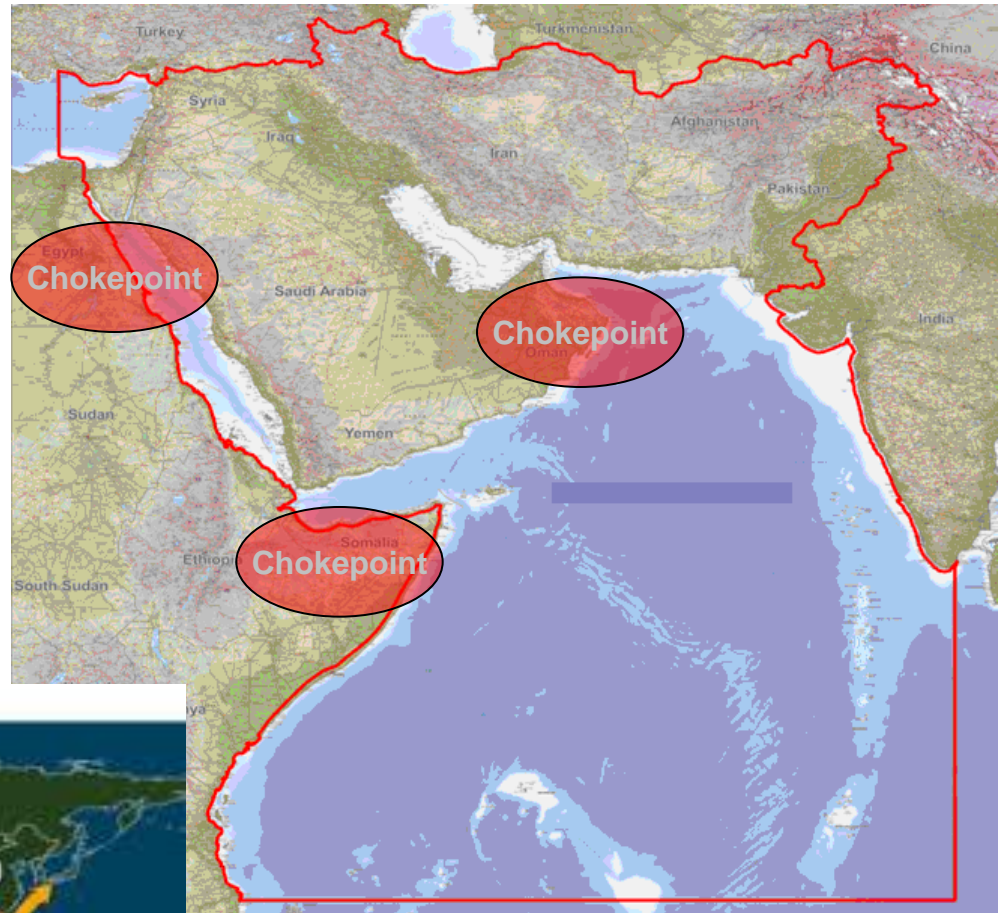


# ***COMBINED MARITIME FORCES: UPDATE***

Captain Brett Sampson, Royal Australian Navy  
Combined Maritime Forces Director Operations



# Importance / Complexity



Daily transit volumes through world maritime oil chokepoints





# Size of Area of Operations



**UK / Europe to scale**  
3.9 million sq. miles



# Event Iceberg



Defeat/ Prevent

UNDERSTAND



# Key MSO Threats





# Alliance v Coalition

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## Alliance

- Formal agreement among two or more countries
- Nations tend to have common economic and political systems
- Broad, long term objectives
- Relatively permanent in duration

## Coalition

- Ad hoc arrangement between two or more countries for specific situations
- Nations may be of diverse cultures
- Scope of objectives may have little latitude a flexibility?
- Temporary / transitory in duration?

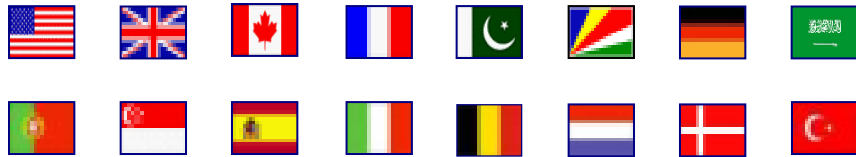
**\* Bilateral / multilateral security arrangements fall in between**



# So what?

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- Not all coalitions are created equal.
- Coalitions are built for very different reasons – one size does not fit all.
- National Interests and mission requirements change and Coalitions need to evolve and adapt.



## COMMANDER'S VISION

an **enduring** global maritime **partnership** of willing nations aligned in **common purpose**

conduct **Maritime Security Operations (MSO)**

provide **security and stability** in the maritime environment.

forces must be **scalable, flexible and responsive** to an increasingly complex, diverse and **changing environment**

must be prepared to counter all **maritime security threats** for the next 10 years

## MISSION STATEMENT

Conduct **Maritime Security Operations** in the area of operations.

Suppress exploitation of the **Maritime Domain** by **terrorist and criminal elements**

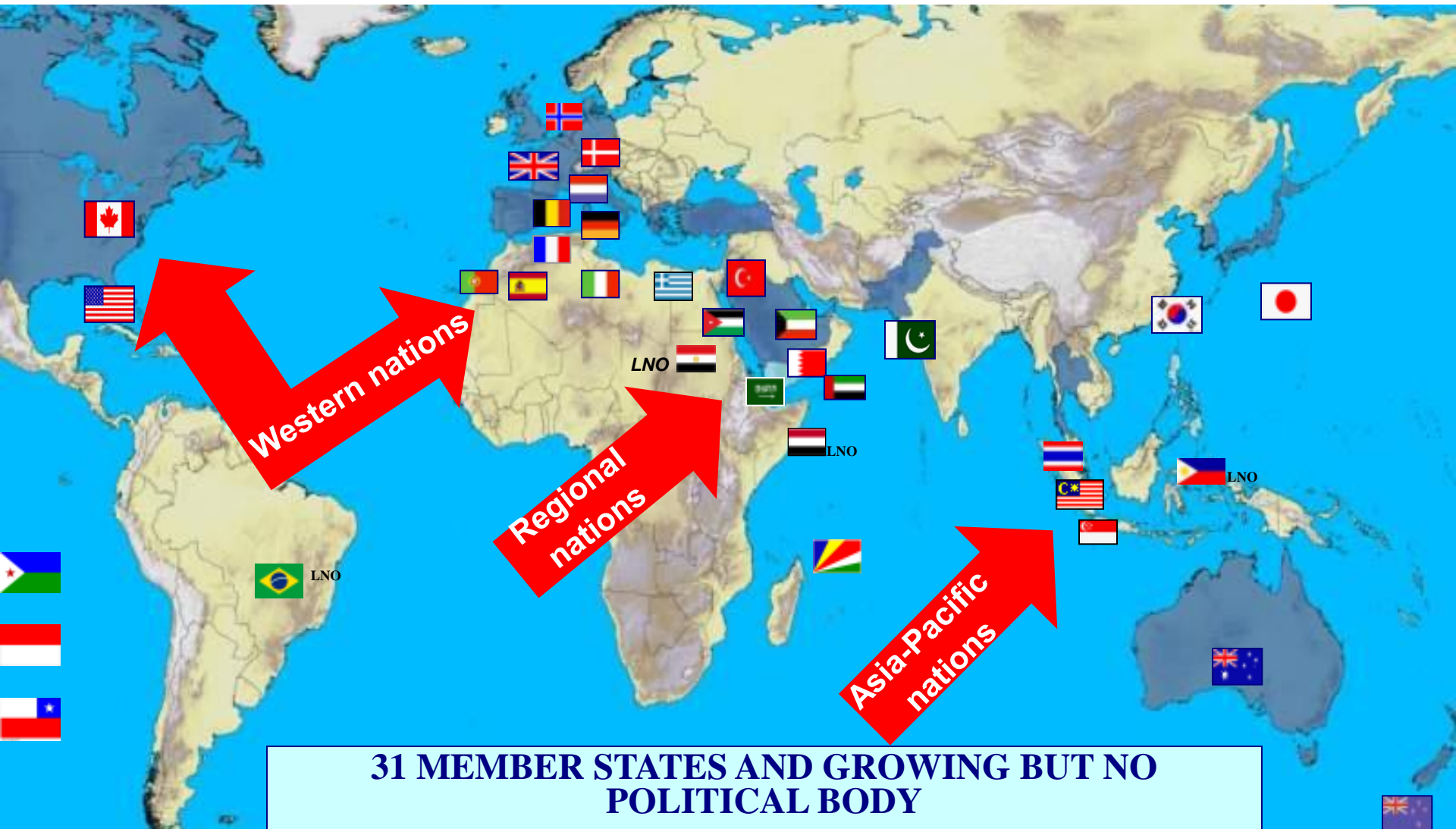
Assist in the development of **maritime security capabilities** through **capacity building**

**Non-State Threat Focused**  
**Intelligence-Driven**  
**Enduring**





# CMF Membership





# Commander U.S. Central Command



## Commander U.S. Naval Forces U.S. FIFTH Fleet



## Commander Combined Maritime Forces



### Deputy Commander NAVCENT / C5F



### Deputy Commander Combined Maritime Forces



CTF 50  
Strike Forces

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Contingency  
Response

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Terrorism



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CTF  
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Gulf



CTF 55  
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CTF 56  
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Combat Forces

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Forces

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# CMF Task Organisation

## CTFs



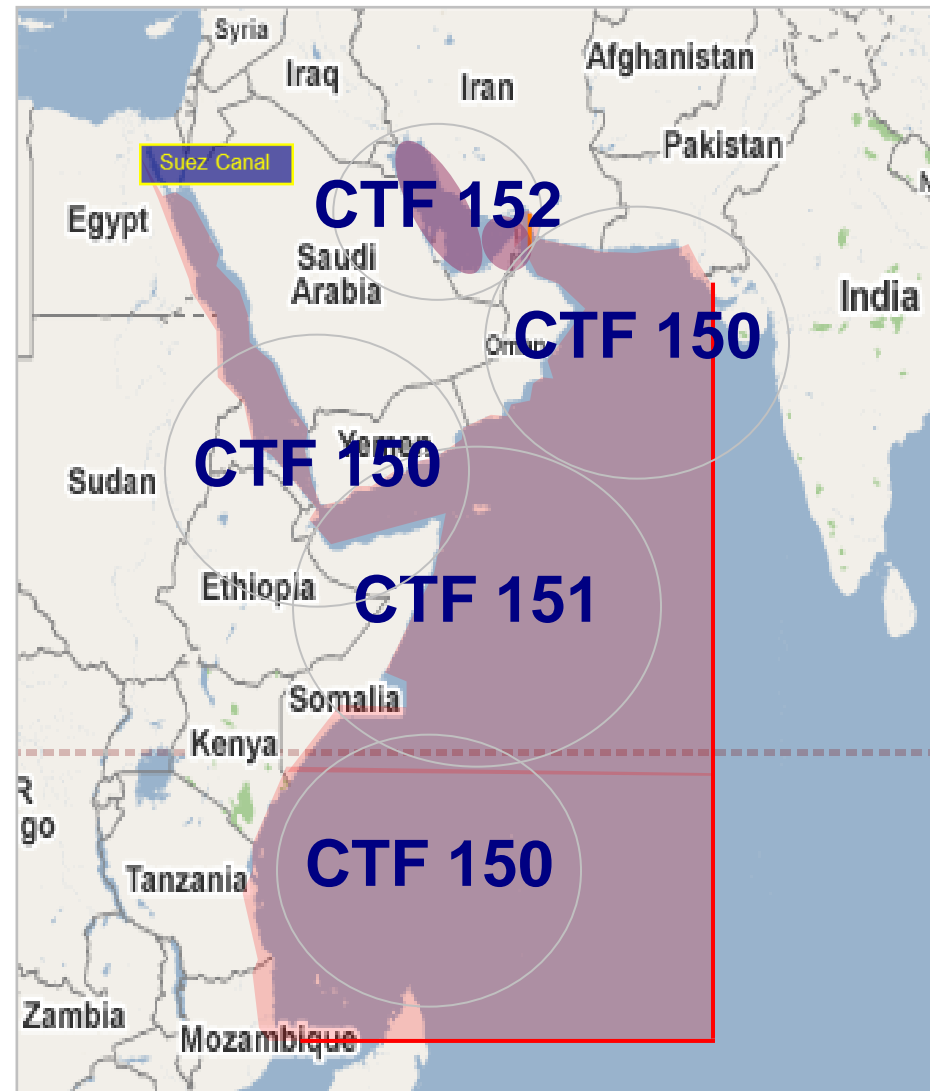
- **Counter Terrorism  
Combined Task Force**



- **Counter Piracy  
Combined Task Force**



- **Maritime Security  
Combined Task Force**





# CTF150-Countering the Terrorist Threat



Date	25OCT2016	Location	BNM off Perim Island, Yemen
Type of incidents	ATTACK	Lat. / Long.	12:32.6N - 043:32.8E





# CTF151 - Countering the Piracy Threat





# Combined Task Force-152

## Arabian Gulf Capacity Building and Maritime Security



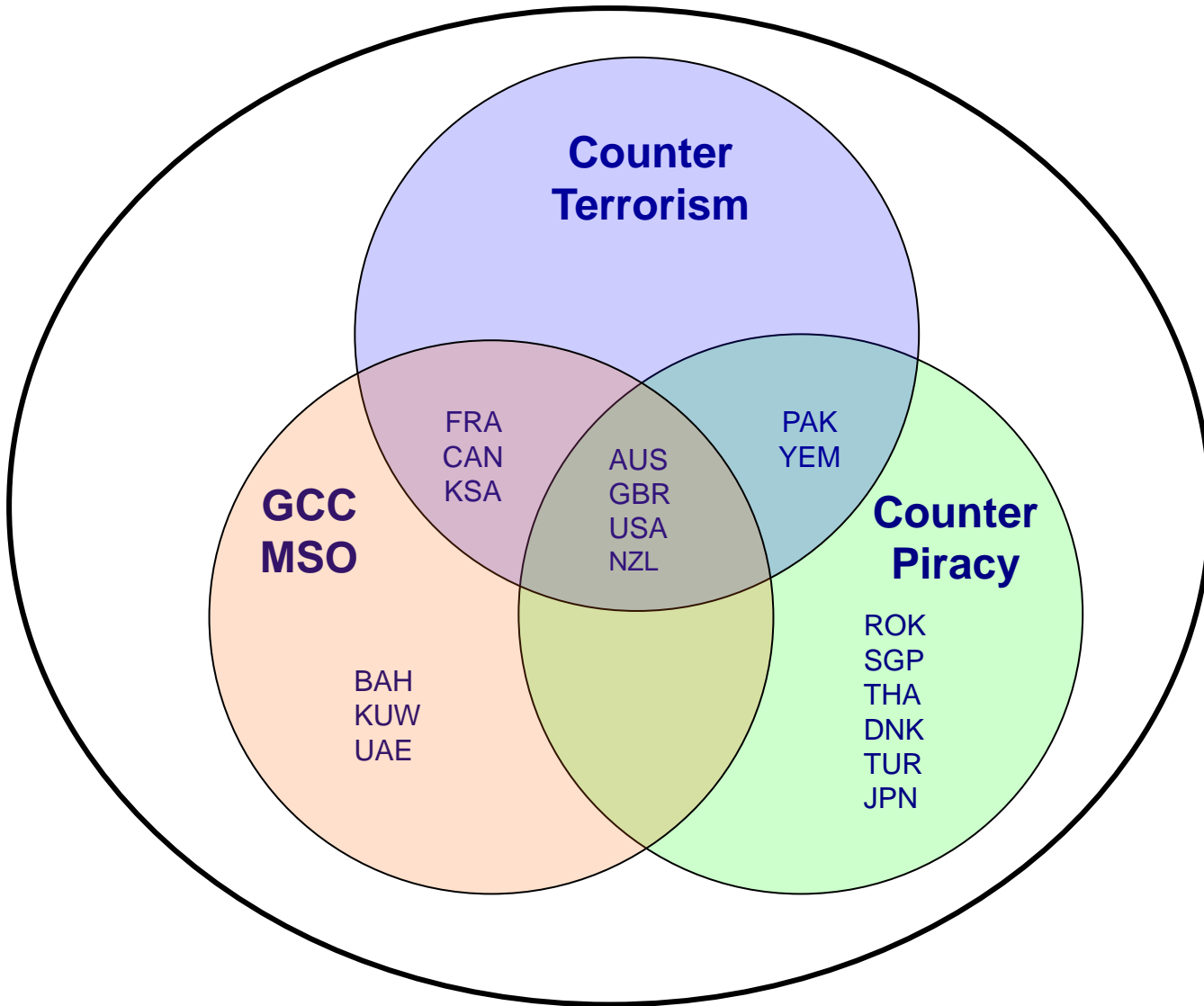
### Operations:

- Critical Maritime Infrastructure
- Large Fishing fleets from various nations
- High volume of merchant traffic
- Criminal Activity
- Smuggling (Drugs, Fuel, Human, etc)





# Current National Mandates





# Success in working together

- Coalition nations exercises (IMCMEX / CMF OPS EX)
- GCC Protection of Maritime Infrastructure
- CTF Staff Training
- Inter GCC Naval Co-operation  
CTF 152 Exercise Program



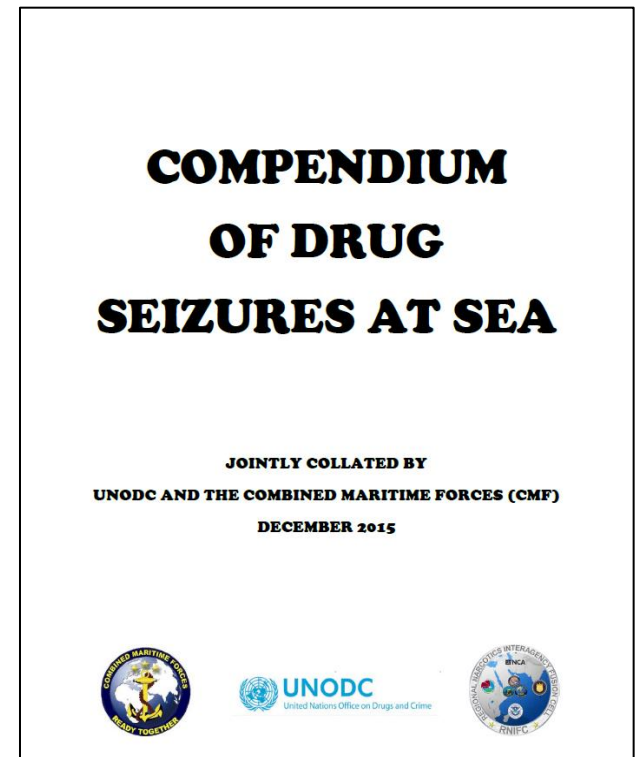




# United Nations & UNODC

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- Narcotics and Legal Finish
- Compendium of Drug Seizures
- CMF now considered the UN's technical "Maritime Expert"
- CMF has been called to update UNODC & UNSC
- Close and ongoing cooperation with the Somalia- Eritrea Monitoring Group (SEMG)
- Growing cooperation with the Al Qaida-Taliban Monitoring Team (AQTMT)





# Indian Ocean Forum on Maritime Crime (IOFMC)

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UN sponsored “umbrella” organization chartered by the United Nations (UNODC) to consider the range of maritime security challenges in the region.



**UNODC**

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

## IOFMC “Pillars”

- ✓ Heroin Trafficking
- ✓ Human Trafficking
- ✓ Wildlife/ Forest Crime (e.g., ivory)
- ✓ Charcoal

## Potential Future Pillars

Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing (IUU)

Weapons smuggling

Illegal Dumping

Terrorism

Piracy

*Each Pillar will stand up a technical and political / strategic working group*



# Outreach

Communication with the merchant industry and civilian partners remains a strategic priority for CMF



**BIMCO**



- SHared Awareness and DEconfliction (SHADE)
- Marine Information Exchange Vessel Operators Meeting (MIEVOM)
- Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS)
- OPV Conferences
- Maritime Security Events

# *CT5 151 MISSION*

**Disrupt** piracy and armed robbery at sea and to **Engage** with regional and other partners to **Build** capacity and **Improve** relevant capabilities in order to **Protect** global maritime commerce and **Secure** freedom of navigation.



# CTF151 AREA OF OPERATION



Potential area  
for ship  
24 hrs @ 15 kts

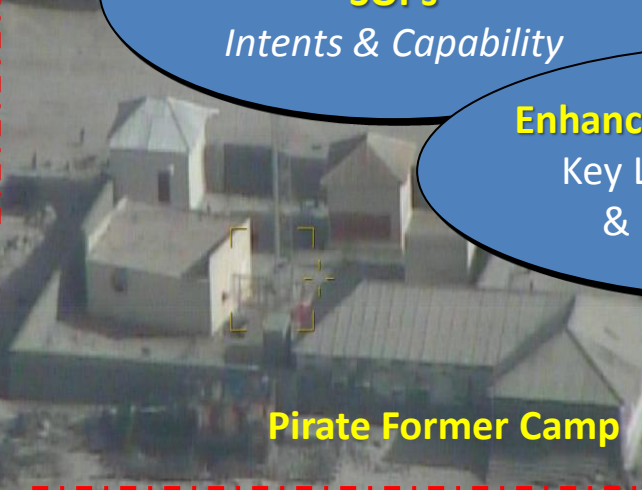
Visual ID  
coverage for 1  
x MPRA (Day  
flight, normal  
conditions)

# UNDERSTAND



**Piracy Networks and SOPs**  
*Intents & Capability*

**Enhance Regional knowledge**  
Key Leader Engagements  
& Local Cooperation



**Pirate Former Camp**

# REGIONAL SUPPORT/CAPACITY BUILDING



Maritime  
Capacity Building



Effective and Legal  
fishing



Support  
Missions & relevant  
Programmes



# DETER, DISRUPT, DEGRADE



**Disrupt**

*Efforts at sea*

**Disrupt**

*Efforts ashore*



**Deter**

*Piracy and armed robbery*

**Legal Finish**





# PROTECT



**Protection**  
*World Food Programme  
Vulnerable Shipping*



**BMPVer4**  
*Compliance?!*

**Convoy**

**Private Armed  
Security Teams**



# STRENGTH – TOGETHER!

Counter Piracy Task Forces  
CTF 465 / CTF 151



Independent Deployers



Maritime Community

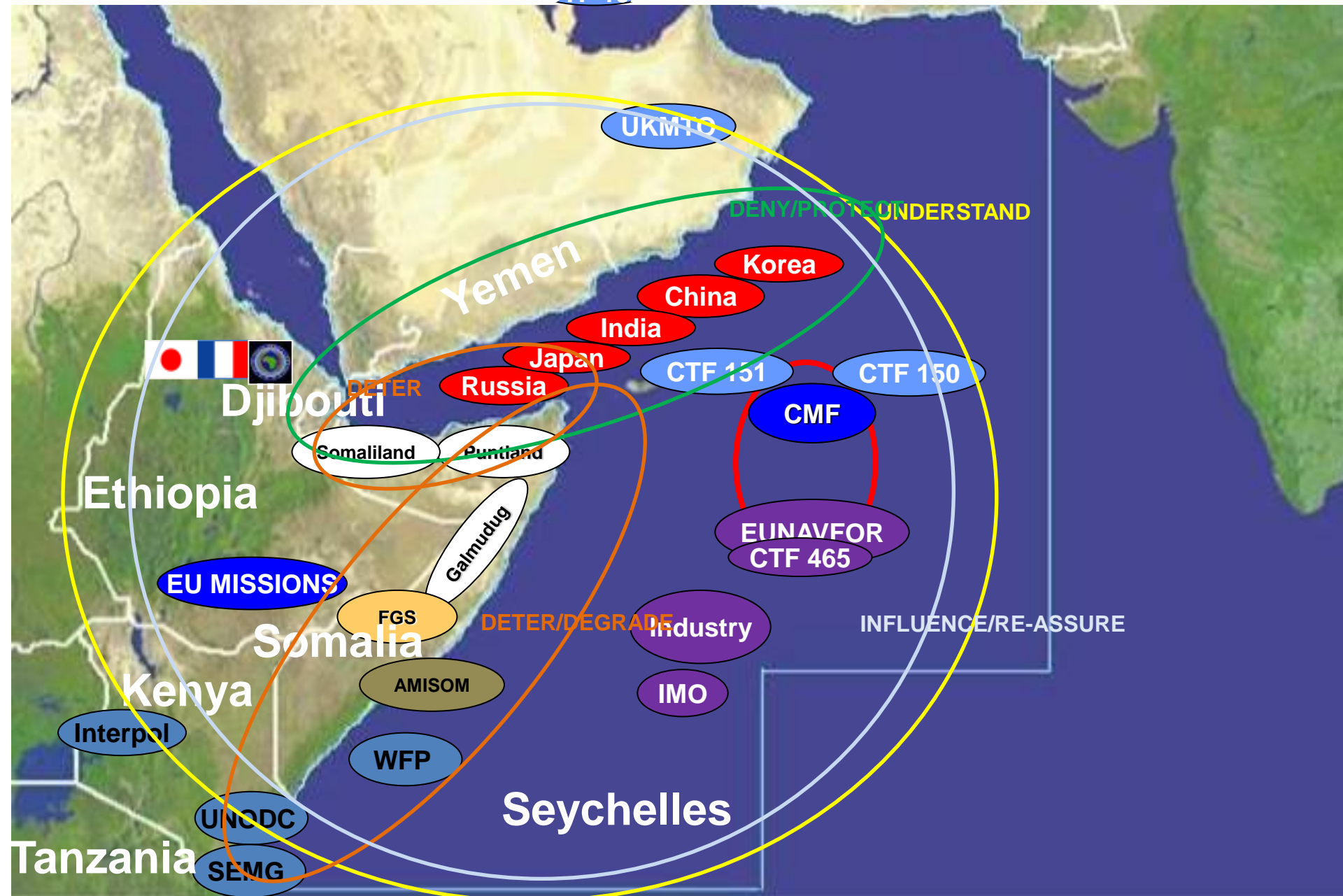


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# COLLECTIVE STRENGTH - COOPERATION

CTF 152



# EVOLUTION OF THE REGIONAL CONTEXT

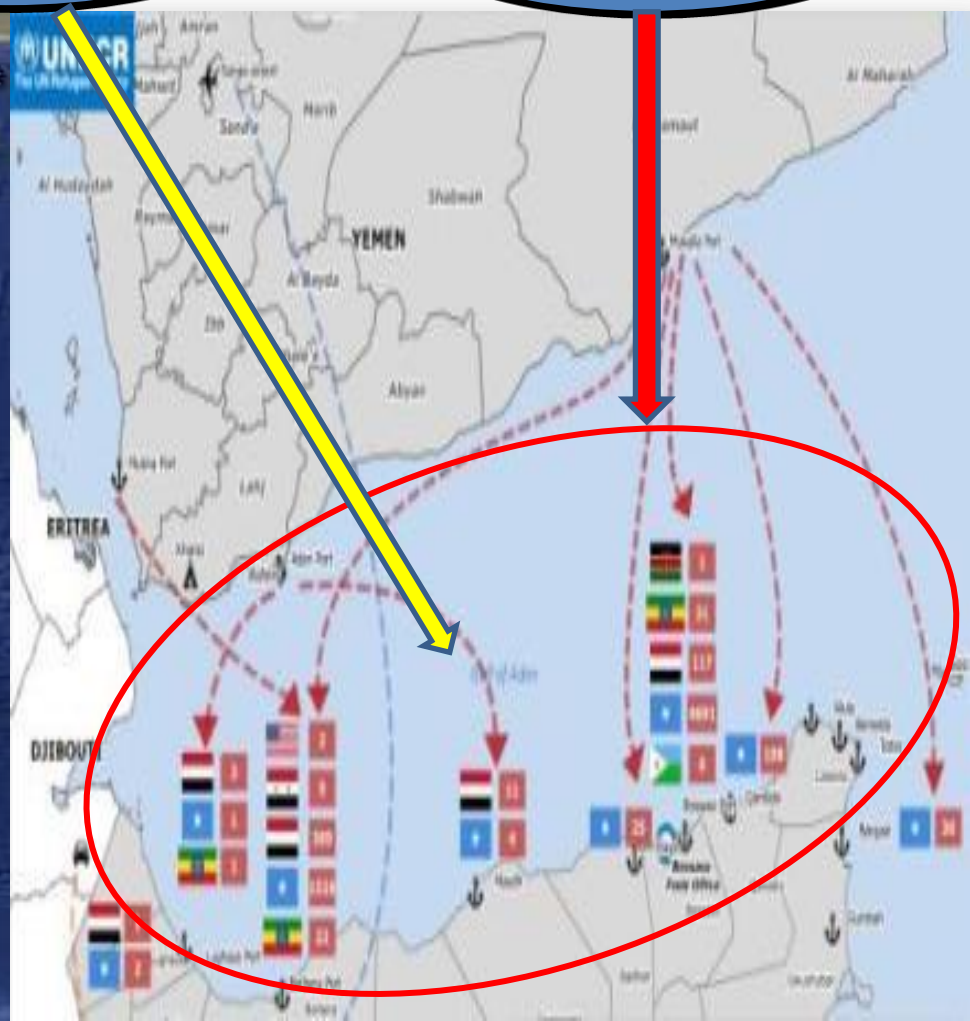
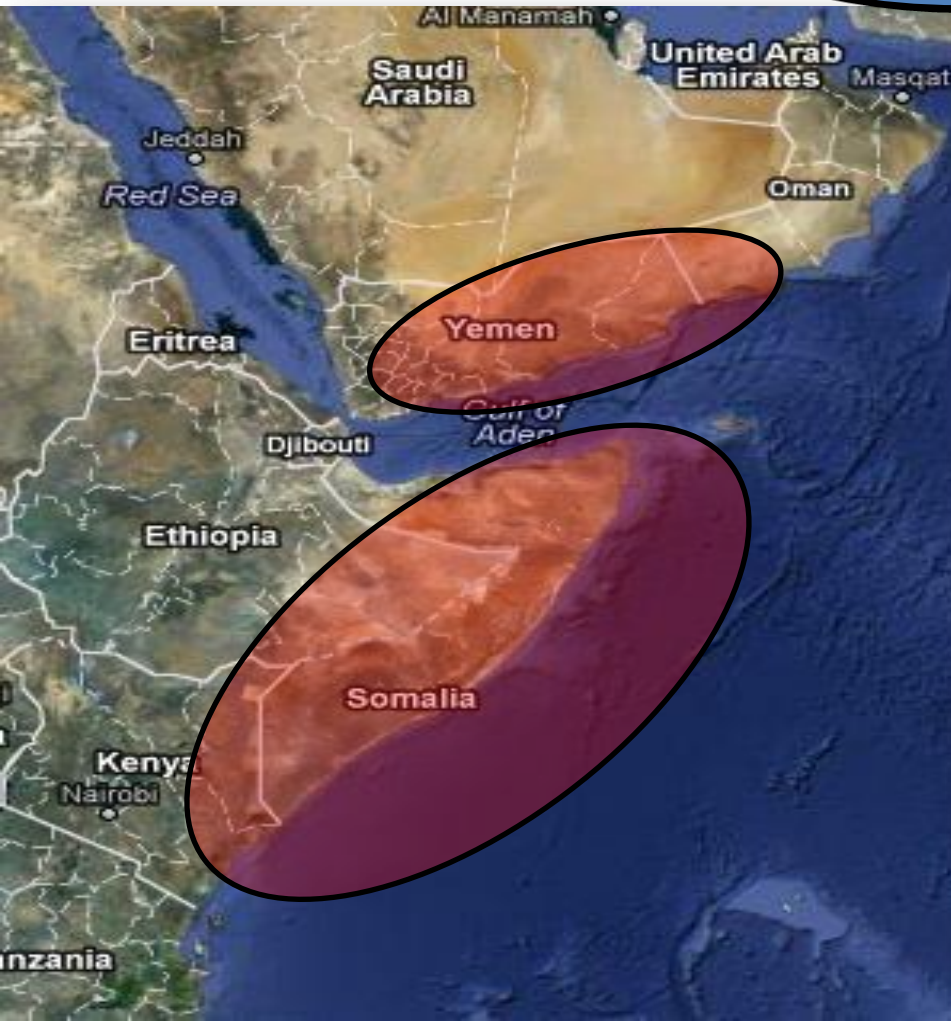
**FRAGILITY**



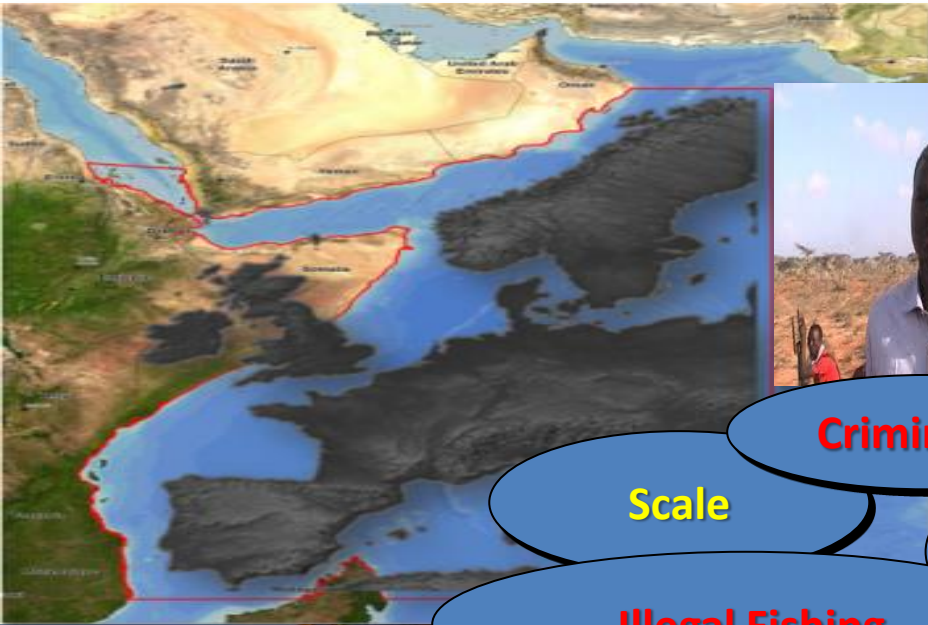
**Smuggling,  
Terrorism  
Migration**



**Piracy  
Resurgence?**



# UNSTABILITY



**Criminality**

**Scale**

**Humanitarian Crisis**

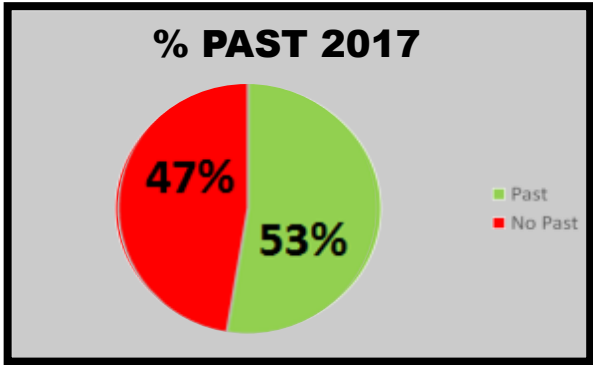
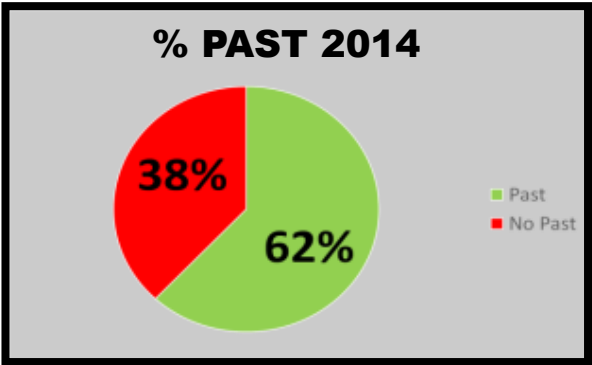
**Illegal Fishing**

**War!**

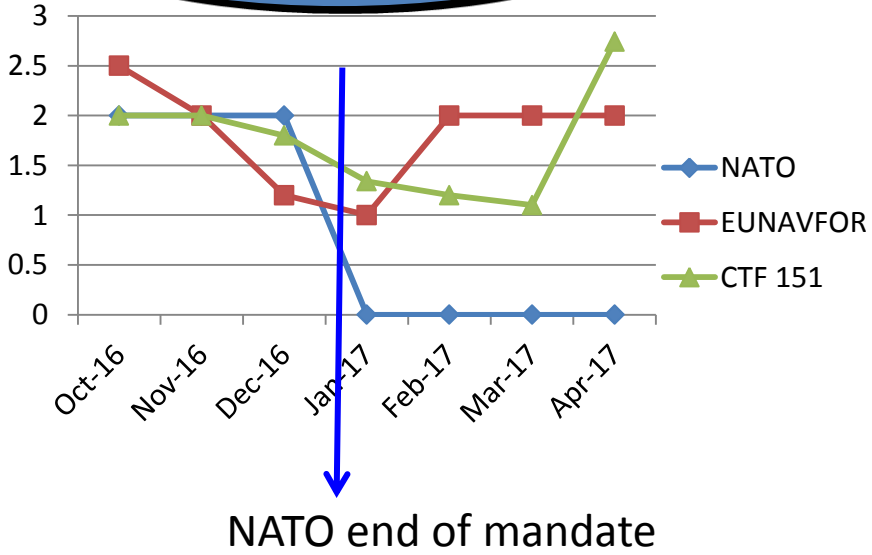


# EVOLUTION OF THE SECURITY POSTURE

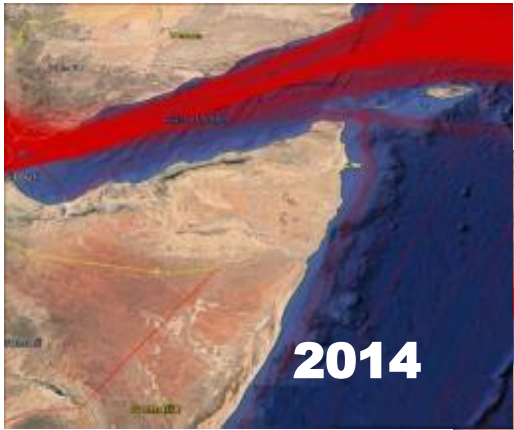
Decrease of PAST



Maritime Force Flow Reductions



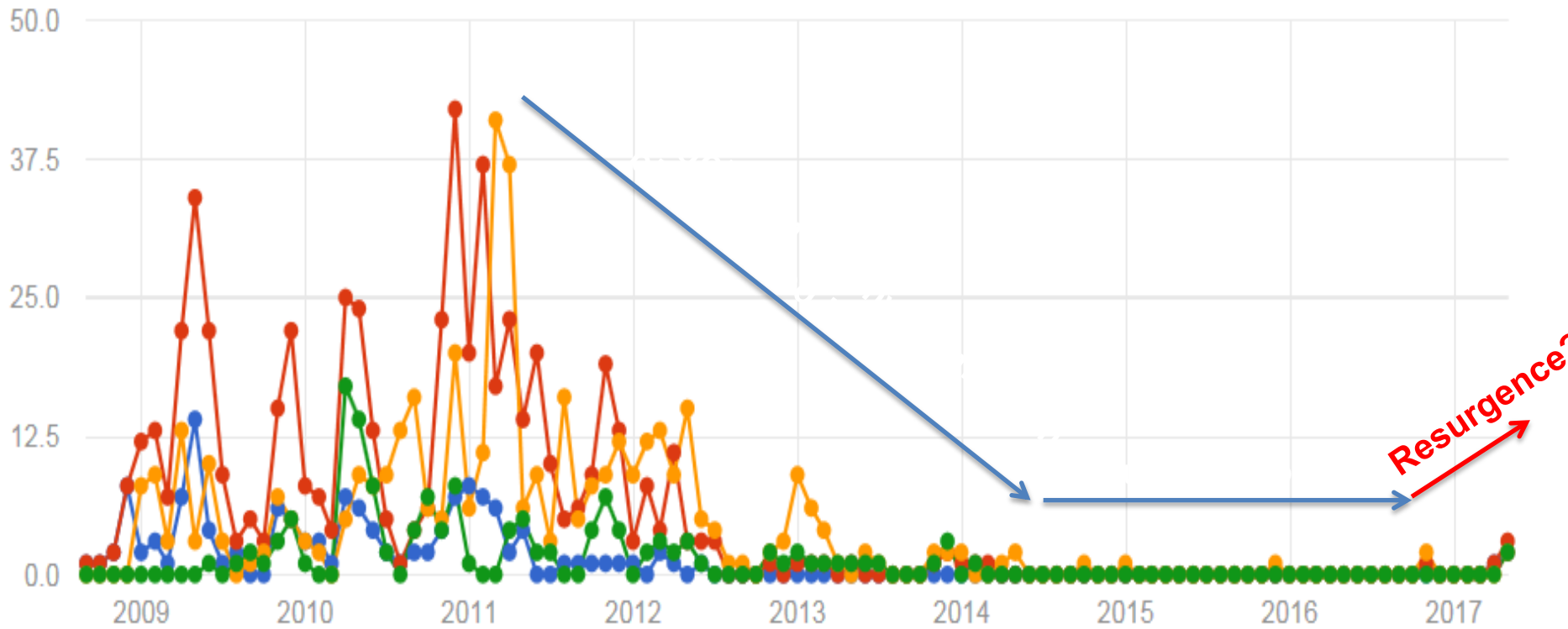
Geographical Risk



# JUST A SPIKE IN PIRACY?

## Events statistics

● Pirated    ● Attack    ● Suspicious event    ● Disruption



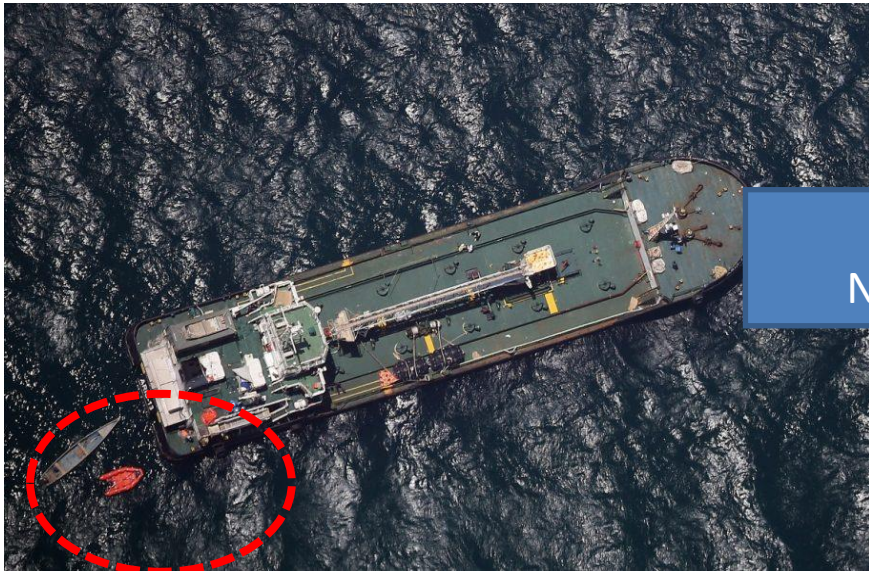
# DID PIRACY EVER REALLY GO AWAY?



- Attack, Hijack, Kidnap
- Robbery, Boarding, Suspicious approach
- Advisories



# WHAT HAS CHANGED FOR THE BETTER?



MT ARIS 13 PIRACY EVENT



PUNTLAND MARITIME POLICE FORCES

PMPF  
No Ransom



DHOW AL KAUSAR PIRACY EVENT

MAYOR OF HOBYO

GALMUDUG Security Forces  
No Ransom



# BEGINNING

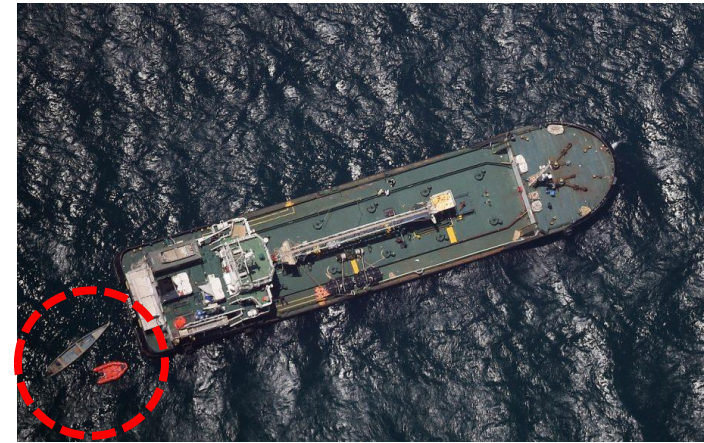
# ADHERENCE

# RESULT

MT ARIS 13



**NO BMP4**  
Speed, Route,  
Free-board Defence, AST,



MV OS35



**PARTLY BMP4**  
Citadel



**FULL  
BMP4**





# CMF Looking Forward

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- Outcome of Yemen situation and impact on region
  - Migrant smuggling
  - Weapons smuggling
  - Safe haven for terrorist networks (AQAP)
- Developing famine humanitarian crisis in Somalia and Yemen
- Growth in CMF
  - Integration of new NLOs or members
- Increased flow of narcotics by sea through Arabian Gulf/Indian Ocean/Red Sea
- Reduction of force flow
- Resurgence of piracy ??
- Ongoing threat of terrorism
- Wider maritime crime problem
- Regional maritime security and coastal law enforcement capacity



# Questions

