

# **Command Overview**

- 1. The chart above follows on from the weekly report of 20 26 Feb 16, serving to highlight the concentration of Pattern of Life sightings since the beginning of the year. As previously suggested this activity is most likely attributable to improved weather conditions drawing out local fisherman and those engaged in regional trade. Merchant vessels transiting this area should note the sighting of Dhows towing multiple skiffs or clusters of small boats operating closely together are not uncommon and may at first sight, appear suspicious. Masters are requested to report any activity that appears suspicious or aggressive in nature to UKMTO.
- 2. EUNAVFOR/NATO/CMF has released their latest 'Industry Releasable Piracy Threat Assessment off Somalia', dated 10 Mar 16. Owners/Operators with access can view the report by logging on to the secure part of the MSCHOA web-site (MSCHOA).
- 3. The next Maritime Information Exchange Vessel Operators' Meeting (MIEVOM) will take place at the Dubai International Seafarers' Centre (DISC) on Thursday 21 Apr 16. Those wishing to attend should inform Lt Chris Long at: <a href="mailto:dubai-2ic@ukmto.org">dubai-2ic@ukmto.org</a> no later than 14 Apr 16.

- 4. Open Source Media Articles of interest:
- a. 4 Mar 16 'Cheap oil is taking shipping routes back to the 1800s' (BBC News): http://bbc.in/1YELZVo
- b. 5 Mar 16 'Detained illegal fishing vessel escapes Northern Somalia Port' (Horseed Media): <a href="http://bit.ly/1UKc59u">http://bit.ly/1UKc59u</a>, (Garowe Online): <a href="http://bit.ly/1nEhKAE">http://bit.ly/1nEhKAE</a>
- c. 6 Mar 16 'HMAS Darwin seizes large weapons cache' (Combined Maritime Forces): http://bit.ly/1XhcYFq
- d. 8 Mar 16 'Coordination, regulation needed to fight IUU fishing' (Pipe Dream):http://bit.ly/224SZ3s
- e. 8 Mar 16 'New Delhi aspires to be a key player in Indian Ocean' (Gulf News): <a href="http://bit.ly/1pciiP2">http://bit.ly/1pciiP2</a>
- f. 8 Mar 16 'Saudi Arabia to open military base in Djibouti' (Gulf News): <a href="http://bit.ly/1RDdsRY">http://bit.ly/1RDdsRY</a>





## ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED

# (1) Attacked

No incidents to report.

#### (2) Boarded

No incidents to report.

## (3) Hijacked

No incidents to report.

## Vessels, crew under pirate control

Merchant vessel	0	Personnel
Dhows/Fishing Vessels	43	Personnel
Other crew still held		Personnel
Total	43	
Vessel name		Date
FV Naham 3	26	03/03/12
Dhow Siraj	17	26/03/15

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Date	Event	Location
12 - 13 Apr 16	SHADE	Bahrain
21 Apr 16	MIEVOM	Dubai

## **LIAISON AND VISITS**

9 Mar 16 – Peter O'Connell, Janus Security International

#### **Alternative Sources of Information (web links)**

NATO Maritime Command (MARCOM)

NATO Shipping Centre - Alert Details

Weekly Assessment

Best Management Practice (BMP)

**MSCHOA** 

Combined Maritime Forces (CMF)

Maritime Liaison Office (MARLO)

Middle East Navigation Aids Service (MENAS)

United Kingdom Hydrographic Office

Maritime Trade Information Sharing Centre Gulf of Guinea

#### **SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
06/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	HARBOUR LEADER
06/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	WESER
06/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN JULIE
06/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	BUTINAH
06/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	NYK ATLAS
06/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	MORNING PRIDE
07/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	LAKE TROUT
07/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK DANUBE
07/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	CONTI PERIDOT
07/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK MESSINA
07/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	FORTUNE EXPRESS
08/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	AL MOTHANNA
08/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	NAVIG8 AZURITE
08/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	GAIA LEADER
08/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	SATTAR
08/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	DIAPOROS
10/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC ESTHI
10/03/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC AURORA
11/03/2016	ABU DHABI	BBC VELA
11/03/2016	ABU DHABI	SANAD
11/03/2016	ABU DHABI	ITAMI
11/03/2016	ABU DHABI	V AVOCET