



UKMTO

Weekly Report

30 Apr – 6 May 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

1. No significant events to report this week. Whilst the number of suspicious incidents so far this year remains low when compared with previous years, the intent and capability to conduct piracy still remains. Denying the opportunity, complying with BMP, reporting to UKMTO and registering with MSCHOA will help avoid complacency.

2. 3 May 16 Oceans Beyond Piracy released their annual reports on 'The State of Maritime Piracy' in East Africa, West Africa and SE Asia (a). African media outlets make reference to OBP's reports exploring why the Gulf of Guinea (GoG) 'continues to be the most dangerous region for seafarers in the world', how the piracy business model in the GoG is changing (c), and how the denial of 'safe havens' have contributed to the drop in piracy around Somalia (g).

3. Open Source Media Articles of interest:

- a. 3 May 16 - 'The State of Maritime Piracy' (Oceans Beyond Piracy): [East Africa](#), [West Africa](#), [SE Asia](#)
- b. 3 May 16 - 'China is building its first overseas military base in Djibouti — right next to a key US one' (PRI/Global Post): <http://bit.ly/1OhzOb1>
- c. 3 May 16 - 'Another twist from the oil price crash - pirates off West Africa don't want to steal it, and they are more violent than Somalia's' (Mail & Guardian Africa): <http://bit.ly/1rAYjek>
- d. 5 May 16 - 'Life returns to Yemen's Mukalla after al-Qaeda's withdrawal' (The New Arab): <http://bit.ly/1UDB5Qr>
- e. 5 May 16 - 'Nuclear deal fails to ease Iran-US tensions' (Gulf News): <http://bit.ly/1QTDm2T>
- f. 6 May 16 - 'Singapore-Australia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership Package' (MFA Singapore): <http://bit.ly/24CPzTe>
- g. 6 May 16 - 'As Somali pirates lay low, West Africa's waters are now the continent's most dangerous' (Quartz Africa): <http://bit.ly/1TtEhca>



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	0	Personnel
Total	43	

Vessel name		Date taken
FV Naham 3	26	03/03/12
Dhow Siraj	17	26/03/15

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
29 – 30 Nov 16	SHADE	Bahrain
8 Dec 16	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

4 May 16 – Maj Gen Tim Gall, Commander Joint Forces New Zealand.

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- [NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
- [NATO Shipping Centre – Alert Details](#)
- [NATO Shipping Centre – Piracy Update](#)
- [Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)
- [MSCHOA](#)
- [Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
- [Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
- [United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)
- [Maritime Trade Information Sharing Centre Gulf of Guinea](#)
- [IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
01/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	CE-GUARDIAN
01/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	KOTA KASTURI
01/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	HANJIN MUMBAI
01/05/2016	PORT RASHID	AZAMARA QUEST
02/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	ABBEY ROAD
02/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	TORM CECILIE
03/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	FALCON GRACE
03/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	BREMEN EXPRESS
03/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	HANJIN XIAMEN
04/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	TAMARIN
04/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	NYK BLUE JAY
04/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	HANSA OFFENBURG
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	DENSA FALCON
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	SEACON 7
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	ANASA
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	JAIRAN
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC LAURENCE
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	GUNHILDE MAERSK
05/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC IMMA
06/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	CARTAGENA TRADER
06/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC VALERIA
06/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	GOLDEN DYNASTY
06/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	SKM AMBITION
06/05/2016	ABU DHABI	RAN J
06/05/2016	ABU DHABI	BOW DIAMOND