



UKMTO

Weekly Report

29 Oct – 4 Nov 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

1. There has been much open source reporting on the attack involving MV Galicia Spirit on 25 Oct 16. The motive and those who may have been involved are still under investigation. Masters are advised to remain at heightened vigilance when transiting the SRS/BeM iaw UKMTO Advisory 007/Oct/16 and updates.

2. EUNAVFOR has released a statement re-classifying an incident involving CPO Korea on 22 Oct 16 (UKMTO Advisory 006/Oct/16, page 3, disposition above) as an attack, most likely at the hands of Somali Pirates. Speaking about the incident, Maj Gen Magowan stated that 'This attack shows that pirates still have the intent to attack ships for ransom and cause misery to seafarers' (d). This is the first attack for over 2½ years in the region, it is strongly recommended that BMP is applied throughout the High Risk Area (BMP4 para 2.6)

3. The next Maritime Information Exchange Vessel Operators' Meeting (MIEVOM) will take place at the Dubai International Seafarers' Centre (DISC) on Thursday 8 Dec 16. Those wishing to attend should inform Lt Chris Long at: dubai-2ic@ukmto.org no later than 1 Dec 16.

4. Open Source Media Articles of interest:

a. 29 Oct 16 - 'Britain opens its first permanent military base in the Middle East in 40 years: New £30million Royal Navy facility to launch in Bahrain next month' (Daily Mail): <http://dailym.ai/2fwJrMr>

b. 2 Nov 16 - 'Suez Canal offers shippers discounts for advance fees paid upfront' (The National): <http://bit.ly/2fxvkaC>

c. 2 Nov 16 - 'Families of Britons jailed in India 'beg' Theresa May for help' (BBC News): <http://bbc.in/2fmxrwy>

d. 4 Nov 16 - 'EU Naval Force Operation Commander Reinforces Need for Vigilance at Sea as Chemical Tanker Attacked by Suspected Somali Pirates' (EUNAVFOR): <http://bit.ly/2fjFiuH>

EVENTS REPORTED TO UKMTO

(Numbers after incidents refer to the Advisory number, see page 3 for this week's Warnings/Advisories)



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ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED

(1) Attacked

See Advisory 007 and updates.

(2) Boarded

No incidents to report.

(3) Hijacked

No incidents to report.

Vessels/Crew under pirate control

Merchant Vessel	0	Personnel
Dhows/Fishing Vessels	10	Personnel
Other crew still held	0	Personnel
Total	10	

Vessel name		Date taken
Dhow Siraj	10	26/03/15

FUTURE EVENTS

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

LIAISON AND VISITS

31 Oct 16 – Attended Seatrade Maritime Middle East, Dubai.
 31 Oct 16 – Visit by Lt Cdr Stephen Hurd RANR.
 3 Nov 16 – Visit by Ian Wilkinson, Risk Intelligence.

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](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
31/10/2016	JEBEL ALI	TORM ALICE
31/10/2016	JEBEL ALI	RICKMERS JAKARTA
31/10/2016	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK EUPHRATES
31/10/2016	JEBEL ALI	E.R. BERGAMO
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	SAFMARINE KURAMO
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	KING CORN
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	CONTI MADRID
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	SC ZHUHAI
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	PACIFIC BRIGHT
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	DUBAI AMBASSADOR
02/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	HONY WORLD
03/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC NICOLE
03/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC JUDITH
03/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	STI LARVOTTO
03/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC NEW YORK
03/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK SHIVLING
03/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	FS SINCERITY
04/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	YM INCEPTION
04/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	BW LARA
04/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	PAUL ABRAO
04/11/2016	JEBEL ALI	YM MOBILITY

Advisory 006/Oct/16

1. Category: Irregular Activity

2. Description: On 22 Oct 16 at 0555 UTC, an MV was approached by one blue hulled speed boat with 5-6 POB in posn 04 28.1N, 053 22.2E, approx. 300nm off the Somali coast. At a CPA of 2 cables warning shots were fired by the on board AST who report an alleged return of fire from the speedboat occupants, thereafter the speedboat departed. MV is safe.