

UKMTO

Weekly Report

8 – 14 Apr 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

- UKMTO have released two Warnings and three Advisory Notices this week (see page 3).
- OS35 was hijacked on 08 Apr 17, Ref WARNING NOTICE 001/APR/ 2017. The ship's company managed to secure themselves within a citadel and establish communications. This action allowed the military freedom of manoeuvre to board and secure the vessel. The crew are all safe with no reported injuries. There was a rapid response by the military community with close cooperation between navies operating independently and those operating under EUNAVFOR and CMF.
- Safe Sino was reported as having coming under attack on 14 Apr 17, Ref WARNING NOTICE 002/APR/ 2017. Subsequent investigations indicates that this would appear to be a local dispute with Yemen authorities from the port of Nishtun. Vessel and crew are safe.
- UKMTO have been advised that Al Kausar, which was reported as having been hijacked on 01 Apr 17, Ref ADVISORY NOTICE 001/APR/ 2017, has been released and that all crew are now safe.
- Due to the recent increase in incidents all shipping transiting the area should remain vigilant. As previously advised by UKMTO, it is highly recommended to fully follow the guidance given in Best Management Practices for Protection against Somalia Based Piracy 4 (BMP4), copy at the following link <http://bit.ly/2ifzmAu>
- In addition to the issuing of Warnings and Advisories UKMTO may endeavour to contact merchant shipping in the area of an incident. To ensure that records are maintained up to date it is requested that shipping adhere to the reporting format and guidelines detailed within BMP4.
- Open Source Media Articles of interest:
 - 09 Apr – Hijacked ship's crew rescued from pirates - <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-middle-east-39543768>
 - 12 Apr – Pirate leader missing after attempted hijack - <http://bit.ly/2oddzNs>
 - 12 Apr – Somalia's military rescues 8 Indian crew members held by pirates - <http://bit.ly/2pBZXeX>
 - 15 Apr - Yemen to reopen Mokha port after liberation from Houthi militias - <https://english.alarabiya.net/en/News/middle-east/2017/04/09/Yemen-to-reopen-Al-Mokha-port-after-liberation-from-Houthis.html>
 - 13 Apr - Somali piracy disremembered - <http://bit.ly/2oJh81a>



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ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED**(1) Attacked**

No incidents to report.

(2) Boarded

No incidents to report.

(3) Hijacked

No incidents to report.

Vessels & persons under pirate control

Details of Vessel	No. Vessels held	No. Souls held	Date Taken
Merchant Vessel	0		
Dhows/Fishing Vessels	1		
Dhow Siraj		8	26/03/15
Total	1	8	

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
25 – 27 April 17	SHADE	Bahrain
4 – 16 May 17	IMCMEX 17	-
18 May 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

12 Sep 16 – Visit by Alan Johnson, NYK Line
12 Sep 16 – Visit to Mark Roberts, CARNIVAL

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

[NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
[NATO Shipping Centre – Alert Details](#)
[MSCHOA](#)
[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)
www.marad.dot.gov/MSCI
www.ukmto.org

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
07/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC TARANTO
07/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	CHEMSTAR SEVEN
07/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	LANA
07/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	HYUNDAI TOGETHER
07/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	CHANG HANG PU HAI
10/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC PAMELA
10/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	SSL GUJARAT
10/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	SBI LEO
10/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	AMBER CHAMPION
10/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	MINNA
10/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	POLO
11/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	ORIENTAL FREESIA
11/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	OEL TRANSWORLD
11/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	EUROSUN
11/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	KOTA KASTURI
11/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	CONTI PARIS
12/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	SC HONG KONG
12/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	JULIE DELMAS
12/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK KIMI
12/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	PAUL ABRAO
12/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	AGIOS MINAS
12/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	KOTA CEPAT
13/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC ERICA
13/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	KEN STAR
13/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN PRELUDE
13/04/2017	JEBEL ALI	CMA CGM SAMSON

WARNINGS

001/APR/2017

Description: At 1310 UKMTO received a report from a vessel under ATTACK and possibly BOARDED in position 1402.9N 05140.0E Co. 255 Sp 11 close to Point 'B' in the IRTC. Further details will follow, UKMTO are investigating. Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution.

001/APR/2017 – Update 001

Description: At 1310 UTC, UKMTO received a phone call from the Master of a vessel which had been ATTACKED and BOARDED. Vessel currently in position 1402.08N 05137.06E drifting, close to Point 'B' in the IRTC. Situation is ongoing. Further details will follow when known. All vessels to keep clear. Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution.

002/APR/2017

Description: At 0652 UTC, UKMTO received a confirmed report that a vessel was under ATTACK and shots have been fired towards MV in position 1555.5N 05220.7E. Further details will follow, UKMTO are investigating. Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution.

ADVISORIES

003PR/2017

Category: Attack - Boarding
Description: On 08 April at 1310 UTC in position 1402.09N 05140.00E, an MV was approached by a skiff with pirates which boarded the vessel, the Master and crew stopped the engines and located to the Citadel. The MV was left drifting.
 On 09 April at 0432 UTC in position 14-02.5N 051-37.9E, the vessel is now back under control of the Company and Master. The MV is underway to next Port of Call and under Escort.

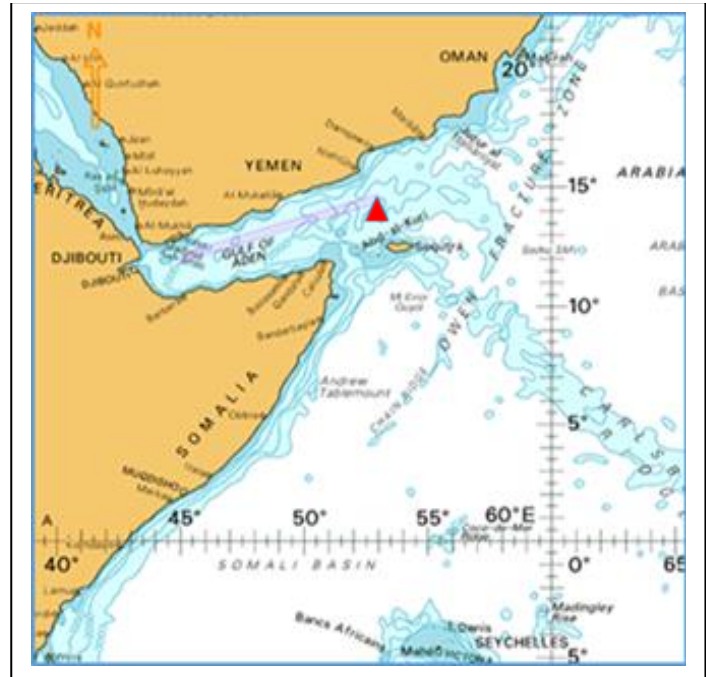
004/APR/2017

Category: Suspicious Approach
Description: On 09 April at 0315 UTC in position 1420N 05311E, an MV reported a vessel closed to a distance of 1nm from their bow with additional four skiffs seen on their starboard beam at a distance of 0.5nm. Four POBs sighted on each skiff with weapons. AST showed presence and the vessels moved away. Vessel is SAFE.

ADVISORIES

005/APR/2017

Category: Attack
Description: Ref Warning 002 APR 17. Vessel and crew are now SAFE. MV was approached in position 1555.8N 05220.7E by a small boat with 6-7 armed POB and attempted to board MV several times with no success. Shots were fired towards MV and then small boat departed area, no casualties or damage was observed.



NOTES

Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices ring: 0044 2392 222060 only, for further information.

THESE ADVISORIES are not Classified as a Maritime Security Events and have not been verified by UKMTO. This information is provided to Inform maritime situational awareness for mariners operating in the region. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.