



# UKMTO

## Weekly Report

### 19 - 25 Aug 17

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## Command Overview

1. This week UKMTO issued one Advisory, see page 3 for full details.
2. It was reported to UKMTO on 19 Aug 17 that, in the Bab el Mandeb straits, multiple skiffs approached a vessel on both port and starboard sides. Ref ADVISORY NOTICE 003/AUG/2017. Vessel and crew reported safe.
3. Whilst there are many causes for piracy there is one common link to tackling the issue. Article (a) refers.
4. Is there a link between Somali piracy and Al-Shabab? UN investigates. Article (b) refers.
5. EU NAVFOR and Republic of Korean warships conduct exercises for the third time this year to continue their cooperation against piracy. Article (c) refers.
6. On the back of recent Cyber-attacks article (d) warns of potential threats to ports.
7. Open Source Media Articles of interest. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting:
  - a. 21 Aug 2017 - Cooperation is the key to defeating pirates – here's why - <http://bit.ly/2xzbT58>
  - b. 19 Aug 2017 – Pirates of the Caliphate: Who is the Somali Kingpin Accused of Aiding Al Shabab? - <http://bit.ly/2wthgpe>
  - c. 25 Aug 2017 - Republic of Korea Warship ROKS Dae Jo Young and European Union Naval Force Warships Continue To Strengthen Counter-Piracy Cooperation off Coast of Somalia - <http://bit.ly/2iuv3Gh>
  - d. 22 Aug 2017 - Code red - <http://bit.ly/2vxs2qn>



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**ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED**

- (1) **Attacked**  
No incidents to report.
- (2) **Boarded**  
No incidents to report.
- (3) **Hijacked**  
No confirmed incidents

**Vessels & persons under pirate control**

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

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Date	Event	Location
21-22 Nov 17	SHADE	Bahrain
30 Nov 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

**LIAISON AND VISITS**

No visits to report this week.

Should anyone wish to visit our office in Dubai please contact Lt Cdr Beaton E-mail: [dubai-oic@ukmto.org](mailto:dubai-oic@ukmto.org)

**ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

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

**SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
21/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	EMIRATES DANA
21/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	MALTO HOPE
21/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC DANIT
21/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	OOCL SINGAPORE
21/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	RIO CHARLESTON
21/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	SIMA GENESIS
23/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	ACTIVE
23/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	INDUSTRIAL EAGLE
23/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	IOLCOS GENESIS
23/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	ROBIIN HUNTER
24/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	ALPINE MARINA
24/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	ETERNAL TRIUMPH
24/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	MAETIGA
24/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	SC MERCURY
25/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	ATLANTIC BLUE
25/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	JULIE DELMAS
25/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC TRIESTE
25/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	NORO
25/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	PUPLINGE
25/08/2017	JEBEL ALI	TORM GERD

### WARNINGS

No warnings issued this week.

### ADVISORIES

**003/AUG/2017**

**Category:** Suspicious Sighting.

**Description:** On 19/08/2017 at 0840Z a Merchant Vessel was approached by 3 skiffs with 5 POB in each skiff and ladders sighted. Armed Security team on board showed weapons, skiffs then altered course. Sighted in PSN 1250N 04312E.

### NOTES

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

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