



UKMTO

Weekly Report

4 – 10 Feb 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

1. There are no significant events to report this week.
2. The multi-national nature of the combined military response to the continuing threat to regional maritime security, is highlighted this week.
3. In the light of the attack by Houthi rebels on a Saudi warship on 3 Feb 17, the U.S. Navy has increased its presence off the coast of Yemen with the deployment of USS Cole to patrol the Southern Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (a), however despite the threat of spill over from the Yemen conflict into the merchant maritime domain, the Canadian Commander of CTF-150 (Maritime Security and Counter Terrorism) comments that he has seen no evidence of change to merchant shipping movements in the region (b). Elsewhere the Spanish warship ESPS Relampago operating as part of EUNAVFOR's 'Operation Atalanta', conducted training with the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) marine unit off the coast of Somalia in a drive to strengthen cooperation and increase the capability of regional maritime forces to help seafarers stay safe (c).
4. Open Source Media Articles of interest:
 - a. 4 Feb 17 - 'USS Cole patrolling off Yemen after rebels attack Saudi ship' (Fox News): <http://fxn.ws/2kxLRMJ>
 - b. 10 Feb 17 - 'Yemen conflict causes no change in vessel movement' (Sputnik International): <http://bit.ly/2kfBWqS>
 - c. 10 Feb 17 - 'Operation Atalanta warship trains with AMISOM's marine unit' (Defence Web): <http://bit.ly/2kCMbZS>



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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/Crew under pirate control

Merchant Vessel	0	Personnel
Dhows/Fishing Vessels	8	Personnel
Other crew still held	0	Personnel
Total	8	

Vessel name		Date taken
Dhow Siraj	8	26/03/15

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
05/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	PALAWAN STAR
05/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	LARA VENTURE
08/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	GLOBAL UNITY
08/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	PALENA
08/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	BOW FLOWER
09/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	NYK CRANE
09/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC MESSINA
09/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK PENGUIN
10/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC VALERIA
10/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	ZEMGALE
10/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	DATO LUCKY

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
25 – 27 April 17	SHADE	Bahrain
18 May 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

Visit by Nick Gross and Leslie Chong X-press feeders Dubai.

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](#)
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