

UKMTO

Weekly Report

31 Dec 16 – 6 Jan 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

1. UKMTO released 1 Advisory this week (page 3).
2. Inquiries continue into the reported attack on a Togo flagged Landing Craft, MV Sultan 2. The incident took place on 3 Jan 17, 30nm North of the BeM strait. Initial assessment indicates that the attack is not piracy related and is most likely linked to the conflict in Yemen.
3. Efforts to create stability and unity in Somalia were boosted this week when the leaders of Puntland and Galmudug announced a ceasefire agreement (a), while the enduring commitment to prosecute and punish those engaged in piracy was highlighted in a report that a convicted Somali pirate will serve out his time in the US (b). NATO's Counter Piracy mission 'Ocean Shield' came to an end in Dec 16, the impact the operation had in the combined fight against piracy is reflected upon in an article release this week (c).
4. Open Source Media Articles of Interest:
 - a. 1 Jan 17 - 'Leaders of Puntland, Galmadug announce commitment to ceasefire agreement in Mogadishu (Garowe Online): <http://bit.ly/2iFyFlj>
 - b. 1 Jan 17 - 'How the US war on piracy brought one Somali pirate to a West Virginia prison' (The Guardian): <http://bit.ly/2hIHMTE>
 - c. 1 Jan 17 - 'Ocean Shield Achieved its Mission' (The Maritime Executive): <http://bit.ly/2iMo3Uj>

EVENTS REPORTED TO UKMTO

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



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
02/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	WIDE ALPHA
02/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	HAFNIA AFRICA
03/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC VANDYA
03/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC VALENCIA
03/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	GAN-TRIUMPH
04/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC PALOMA
04/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	XIN HAI TONG 8
05/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	GUNHILDE MAERSK
05/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	ARNICA
05/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	SLNC CORSICA
05/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	SEA DELTA
05/01/2017	JEBEL ALI	FORTUNE SUN
06/01/2017	ABU DHABI	KOZA
06/01/2017	ABU DHABI	MIAMI PRIDE

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
25 – 26 Apr 17	SHADE	Bahrain
4 May 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

5 Jan 17 - Visit by Alex Munro, Djibah Sarl.

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](#)

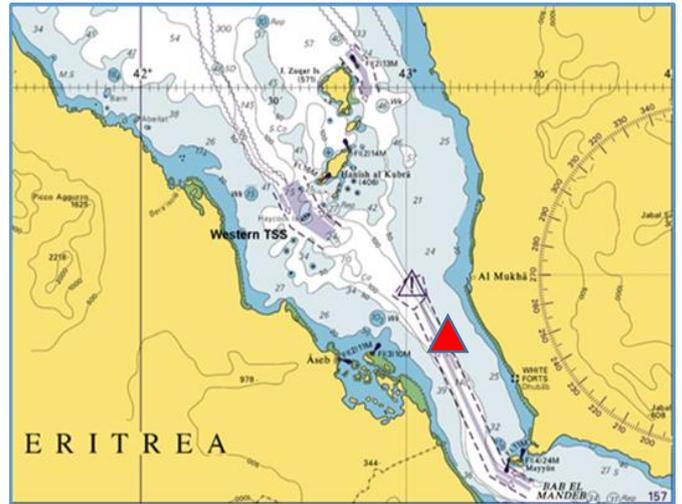
ADVISORIES

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Category: Attack

Description: Merchant vessel owners/operators are advised that on 3 Jan 2017 at 1403UTC a MV was heard to report on VHF CH16 that she was under attack in psn 13 04N 043 08E, approximately 30nm North of the Bab El Mandeb strait. The incident is still under investigation and further updates will be made as more information is received. Advice given for transiting the area in UKMTO Advisory 003/OCT/16 remains extant. Merchant vessels should proceed with caution and adopt a heightened state of vigilance when transiting SRS/BeM.

Source: Reported to UKMTO by email and phone.



NOTES

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

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