UKMTO

Weekly Report

01 - 07 Jul 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION   **IN THIS ISSUE**

Command Overview

1. This week UKMTO has released one Advisory (see page 3).

2. The advisory issued this week, that reported a sighting of 7 skiffs with up to 6 armed people on board each, is similar to other observations of activity highlighted in recent weeks. Both vessel and crew are safe. Whilst no additional detail is available mariners are reminded to exercise caution whilst transiting through this area and are encouraged to continue to report to UKMTO any activity or sightings that arouses suspicion.

3. Attention is drawn to BMP4, section 9.2, where any shipping that feels threatened or under attack is advised to report the incident on channel 16. This action warns other mariners in the area and will also alert military shipping in the vicinity who may be able to assist.

4. Whilst there has recently been a spike in piracy related activity in the region, worldwide attacks would appear to be reducing. Articles (a), (b) and (c) refer.

5. The importance of addressing route causes of piracy ashore and regional countries providing security is raised in the following articles (d) and (e).

6. Open Source Media Articles of interest. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting:

a. 05 Jul 17 - International report charts continued threat from global piracy - http://bit.ly/2tsd1sl

b. 04 Jul 17 – Newly issued report reveals 87 incidents of maritime piracy in first half of year - http://bit.ly/2tTftsV

c. 07 Jul 17 - Piracy continues to decrease while focus shifts to maritime kidnapping - http://fxn.ws/2tS7tbe

d. 05 Jul 17 – A New Way to Fight Piracy on the open sea - http://bit.ly/2sR33BV

e. 08 Jul 17 - Piracy in the Indian Ocean http://bit.ly/2sXzTfA

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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	**0**	**8**	

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.

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
www.ukmto.org

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
03/07/17	JEBEL ALI	OCEAN PRINCESS
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	NIKKEI DRAGON
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	JOLLY COBALTO
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	DIAPOROS
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	HONG ZE HU
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	LA BOHEME
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	INDUSTRIAL CHARGER
04/07/17	JEBEL ALI	AS CARINTHIA
05/07/17	JEBEL ALI	CMA CGM MATISSE
05/07/17	JEBEL ALI	DIAVOLEZZA
05/07/17	JEBEL ALI	NICOLINE MAERSK
05/07/17	JEBEL ALI	YELLOW RAY
05/07/17	JEBEL ALI	RISA
06/07/17	JEBEL ALI	MSC KATRINA
06/07/17	JEBEL ALI	AGIA EIRINI
06/07/17	JEBEL ALI	EXPERT
06/07/17	JEBEL ALI	MSC BUSAN
06/07/17	JEBEL ALI	CLIPPER QUITO
07/07/17	JEBEL ALI	HIGH FIDELITY
07/07/17	JEBEL ALI	APL LE HAVRE
07/07/17	JEBEL ALI	APL SOUTHAMPTON
07/07/17	JEBEL ALI	ULTRA GALAXY

WARNINGS

No warnings issued this week.

ADVISORIES

001/JUL/2017

Category: Suspicious Approach.

Description: At 051220ZJUL17, a Merchant Vessel was approached by 7 skiffs in psn 1417.9N 04221.3E. Closest point of approach was 320 metres. 5/6 POB were sighted on each skiff with weapons. Vessel and crew are SAFE. Mariners are reminded to exercise caution whilst transiting this area.

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.