



UKMTO

Weekly Report

25 Feb – 3 Mar 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

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## Command Overview

1. There are no significant events to report this week.
2. Hopes for stability and peace in Somalia took a major step forward this week as the new President Mohammed Abdullahi Mohamad was inaugurated. Despite these grounds for optimism, he faces tough challenges ahead as the International Organization for Migration reports that the humanitarian situation in the country is deteriorating rapidly, creating the possibility that the circumstances which initially led to some Somali's resorting to piracy as a means of subsistence, may be returning (a).
3. The tide of human migration flows in both directions across the Gulf of Aden as regardless of the fact that the conflict in Yemen is intensifying, some Yemeni's are choosing to take the perilous journey back to their country (b), while many Somali's who sought to escape grinding poverty by migrating North have recently taken the decision to return home to escape the fighting (c).
4. Open Source Media Articles of interest:
  - a. 1 Mar 17 - 'Somalia: New President faces big challenges' (VOA News): <http://bit.ly/2m6LwAN>
  - b. 3 Mar 17 – 'Yemen's war: No one knows when he is going to die' ( Aljazeera): <http://bit.ly/2moBlbN>
  - c. 28 Feb 17 - 'Somali refugees fleeing conflict in Yemen arrive in Mogadishu' (Africa News): <http://bit.ly/2mrLjJT>



**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

**FUTURE EVENTS**

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

**LIAISON AND VISITS**

Visit by personnel from Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre.

**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](http://www.marad.dot.gov/MSCI)
- [www.ukmto.org](http://www.ukmto.org)

**SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
27/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC BRUXELLES
27/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	CANAL STREET
28/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	NAVE ARIADNE
28/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	NAVIG8 ARONALDO
28/02/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC ANNA
01/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	HEILAN BRIGHT
01/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	ROYAL HOPE
01/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	MALHARI
02/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	TG POSEIDON
02/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	BNEIDER
02/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	CMA CGM LA TOUR
03/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	ALTESSE
03/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	CAPT GEORGE K
03/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	TENWA MARU