

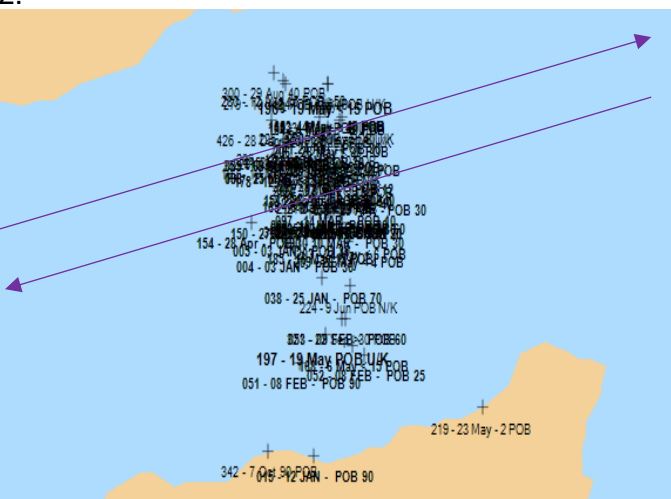
UKMTO Weekly Report 4 – 10 Mar 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

1. UKMTO released two Advisories this week (see page 3). Both Incidents took place in the Gulf of Aden in the Eastern IRTC, Advisory 001/Mar is thought most likely to be linked to people trafficking or migration as the incident took place in a well-known transit corridor for such activities (see para 2). Weather conditions in the Gulf of Aden have improved significantly this week, UKMTO has received a corresponding increase in the reported sightings of large numbers of fishing boats throughout the IRTC, Advisory 002/Mar is thought to be attributable to this ‘Pattern of Life’ activity 2.

3. Open Source Media Articles of interest:
- a. 5 Mar 17 - ‘South Korea joins EU’s Anti-Piracy Operation (All Africa): <http://bit.ly/2ndpiLK> .
 - b. 7 Mar 17 - ‘Maritime legal seminar held in Mogadishu’ (Defence Web): <http://bit.ly/2m7rR8K> .
 - c. 8 Mar 17 - ‘Operation Atalanta Force Commander Hosts Rear Admiral from Chinese Escort Task Group (EUNAVOR): <http://bit.ly/2m7ruTB> .
 - d. 10 Mar 17 - ‘Pakistan Navy hands over command of Combined Task Force 151 (CTF-151) to Japanese Maritime Self Defence Force.’ (Daily Times Pakistan): <http://bit.ly/2np4eRJ> .



Reported sightings of Migrant/People smuggling boats 2016/17

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

FUTURE EVENTS

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

LIAISON AND VISITS

Visit by Commander Maritime Operations, R/Adm Tarrant RN

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
06/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC ALEXANDRA
06/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC TASMANIA
06/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	FAIRCHEM KISO
07/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	TUCAPEL
07/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	LADY MONA
07/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	PACIFIC BERYL
08/03/2017	MINA SAQR	BABYLON
08/03/2017	MINA SAQR	ALAM MANIS
08/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	DALIAN EXPRESS
08/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	FPMC P FORTUNE
09/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK TANJONG
09/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	AURORA SB
09/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	HEILAN AROMA
10/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	KIRAN CASPIAN
10/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	BBC SWITZERLAND
10/03/2017	JEBEL ALI	APL MIAMI

ADVISORIES

001/MAR/2017

Category: Suspicious Approach

Description On 7 Mar 2017 at 0834 UTC in position 1312 N LONG- 04858 E, an MV reported being followed by a two skiffs with 16 - 20 Armed POB. Skiffs followed Astern for 40 minutes. MV is safe.

002/MAR/2017

Category: Suspicious Approach

Description: On 09 Mar 2017 at 0845 UTC in position 1352 N 05020 E, an MV reported two Mother Vessels had deployed four skiffs that approached the MV to within 1 cable. Onboard AST showed weapons and skiffs retreated. Vessel is safe.

NOTES

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

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