

UKMTO Weekly Report <u>4 - 10 Nov 17</u>

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# **Command Overview**

1. This week UKMTO has issued one advisory, see page 3 for details.

2. It was reported to UKMTO on 08 Nov 17 that an MV transiting near Perim Island was followed and approached at speed by 2 skiffs, each with 7 men on-board, with the closest point of approach being 100m. Vessel and crew are reported as being safe. Ref ADVISORY NOTICE 001/NOV/2017.

3. Whilst there was no official confirmation in writing the Saudi Arabian authorities announced the closure of all Yemeni ports. This was later relaxed with the Ports of Aden and Makulla being opened to authorised shipping. Articles (a) and (b) refer.

4. U.S. MARITIME ALERT 2017-008A was issued in response to the announcement of the closure of Yemeni ports, see page 4 for details.

5. The UN adopted a resolution to ensure that the comprehensive approach to the issue of piracy off the coast of Yemen continues. This spans from the military response to legal and economic progress in Somalia. Articles (c), (d), and (e) refer.

6. Whilst piracy incidents, after the spike in activity earlier this year, have reduced in the Gulf of Aden, there is still an upward trend elsewhere in the world, notably in the Gulf of Guinea and in Asia. Articles (f) and (g) give further detail. 7. The Calling Notice has been issued for MIEVOM which will be held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at the Dubai International Seafarer's Centre, Dubai. Those wishing to attend should confirm their details to Dubai-op1@ukmto.org at the earliest convenience.

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

a. 09 Nov 17 - Yemen: Port Situation - <u>http://bit.ly/2hpkchq</u>

b. 08 Nov 17 - Saudi Coalition Lets Yemen's Aden Port Reopen - <u>http://bit.ly/2hkvIN9</u>

c. 08 Nov 17 - UN Security Council on Somali piracy - <u>http://bit.ly/2zsviG6</u>

d. 07 Nov 17 - Adopting Resolution 2383, Security Council Renews Authorization for International Naval Forces to Fight Piracy - <u>http://bit.ly/2zxXnwY</u>

e. 08 Nov 17 - Naval Campaign on Piracy Continues to Protect Vessels - <u>http://bit.lv/2iJ3ZQU</u>

f. 08 Nov 17 - Piracy Increases in Straits of Malacca and Singapore - <u>http://bit.ly/2zvYuip</u>

g. 07 Nov 17 - One world and an ocean of rising piracy incidents - <u>http://bit.ly/2hpFD26</u>



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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
28 Nov 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

# LIAISON AND VISITS

10 Nov 17 - Visit by CCTF 150, Rear Admiral Naveed Ahmed Rizvi PKN.

Should anyone wish to visit our office in Dubai please contact Lt Cdr Beaton E-mail: <u>dubai-oic@ukmto.org</u>

## ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

www.ukmto.org <u>MSCHOA</u> <u>Combined Maritime Forces (CMF)</u> <u>Middle East Navigation Aids Service (MENAS)</u> <u>United Kingdom Hydrographic Office</u> <u>IMB Live Piracy Reports</u> www.marad.dot.gov/MSCI <u>NATO Maritime Command (MARCOM)</u>

# **SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
05/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	TORM FREYA
05/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC LARA
06/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	MESSINI
06/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	HYUNDAI TOGETHER
06/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	CITY OF BEIJING
06/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC LONDON
07/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	LE CONG
07/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	POLAR UNICORN
07/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	AFRICAN IBIS
07/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	ALPINE MEADOW
08/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	RAS SEDR
08/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	ALBURAQ
08/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	SONGA CALABRIA
08/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	POSEIDON
09/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	STENA IMPECCABLE
09/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC GENOVA
09/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	ORIENTAL MARGUERITE
10/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK KITHIRA
10/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	PACIFIC VISION
10/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	ANTHEMIS
10/11/2017	JEBEL ALI	CMA CGM LYRA

# WARNINGS

No warnings issued this week.

#### **ADVISORIES**

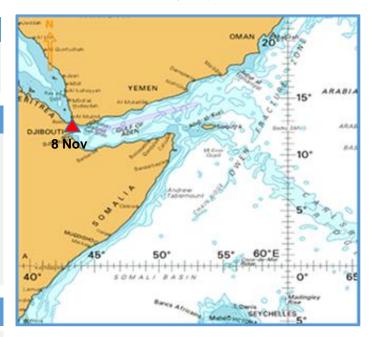
#### 001/NOV/2017

**Category:** Suspicious Approach **Description**: At 1300UTC on 08 November 2017, an MV in position 1230N 04337E (in the vicinity of Mayyun Island) reported that 2 skiffs with 7 POB approached at speed to within 100M. Boats have subsequently withdrew. MV is SAFE.

# NOTES

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

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## U.S. MARITIME ALERT 2017-008A

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## THREAT TYPE: ANNOUNCED TEMPORARY PORT CLOSURES

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA: YEMENI PORTS** 

A MARITIME SITUATION HAS BEEN REPORTED IN YEMEN. ON NOVEMBER 6, 2017, THE SAUDI-LED COALITION ANNOUNCED THE CLOSURE OF ALL PORTS IN YEMEN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THERE ARE REPORTS THAT ADEN AND MUKALLA PORTS ARE OPERATIONAL AS OF NOVEMBER 9, 2017. SEE U.S. MARITIME ADVISORY 2017-002 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS AREA. FURTHER UPDATES WILL BE PROVIDED WHEN AVAILABLE. THIS ALERT WILL AUTOMATICALLY EXPIRE ON NOVEMBER 16, 2017. ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS ALERT SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO MARSEC@STATE.GOV.

Link to Alert - http://bit.ly/2Avp4pi