



UKMTO

Weekly Report

30 Sep - 6 Oct 17

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Command Overview

1. This week UKMTO issued one Advisory, see page 3 for details.
2. Advisory 001/OCT/2017 was issued yesterday after UKMTO received a report from an Indian registered bulk carrier of a suspicious approach in the Eastern IRTC, the Master stated the ship had been approached by two skiffs and that ladders had been sighted. Subsequent reports in open source media that the Indian Navy chased and apprehended 'a pirate skiff' cannot be verified at this point by UKMTO (a+b).
3. Some Somali refugees are returning home to escape hunger and disease in the war torn Yemen, as weather conditions improve in the Gulf of Aden UKMTO has received an increase in reports of sightings of migrant vessels in the area (c).
4. The recent announcement that the Combined Maritime Force (CMF) will focus its naval force on protecting the region in the Gulf of Aden and Bab el Mandeb was reported by regional press this week (e).
5. Open Source Media Articles of interest. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting:
 - a. 6 Oct 17 - 'Indian Navy INS Trishul thwarts piracy attempt' (The Indian Express): <http://bit.ly/2yO9Evs>
 - b. 6 Oct 17 - 'Indian Navy rescues bulker from pirates' (Maritime Executive): <http://bit.ly/2xnHECA>
 - c. 5 Oct 17 - 'Somali refugees head home' (Daily Sabah): <http://bit.ly/2ysojQL>
 - d. 5 Oct 17 - Maritime Chokepoints: 'The backbone of international trade' (Ship Technology): <http://bit.ly/2geh9F1>
 - e. 30 Sept 17 - 'Policed maritime corridor will protect merchant ships passing through the Gulf from pirates' (The National): <http://bit.ly/2wgZNLm>
 - f. 30 Sept 17 - HNMLS Rotterdam conducts maritime training with Seychelles military personnel (EUNAVFOR): <http://bit.ly/2yAC6kw>



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 visitors this week.

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

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 |
|------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 29/09/2017 | JEBEL ALI | STI BERYL |
| 29/09/2017 | JEBEL ALI | ER AMSTERDAM |
| 29/09/2017 | JEBEL ALI | UACC SHAMS |
| 01/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MSC MESSINA |
| 01/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MSC EARTH |
| 02/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | FALCON GRACE |
| 02/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | TORM ASLAUG |
| 02/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | TESSA |
| 02/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MCP FAMAGUSTA |
| 02/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | EVER URBAN |
| 02/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | HONY WORLD |
| 03/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | GC SINGAPORE |
| 04/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | BRENTHOLMEN |
| 04/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | SEAMAX BRIDGEPORT |
| 04/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | NORTHERN GENERAL |
| 04/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | APL CHONGQING |
| 04/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | JONATHAN SWIFT |
| 04/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | OCTADEN |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | CMA CGM LA TOUR |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | AS ARIES |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | RICKMERS HAMBURG |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MSC ISTANBUL |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MAHADAH SILVER |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MSC NICOLE |
| 05/10/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MAERSK SEBAROK |

WARNINGS

No warnings issued this week.

ADVISORIES

001/OCT/2017

Category: Sighting

Description: At 0700 UTC on 06 October 2017 in position: 13-13N 050-30E (near Point B IRTC). 2 white hulled skiffs sighted with ladders approached MV to 1.2NM then turned away. Crew and vessel SAFE.

NOTES

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

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