

UKMTO

Weekly Report

28 Jul - 3 Aug 2018

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# Command Overview

This week UKMTO have issued no Advisories and no Warnings.

1. On 25 Jul 18 Saudi Arabia temporarily ceased oil transportation to its Red Sea ports over fears for the safety of its tankers, the action was sparked by an incident involving a Very Large Crude Carrier (VLCC) on 24 Jul. In a press release yesterday, the Saudis announced they have now resumed shipments through the Bab el Mandeb strait (a).
2. The financial cost of keeping Indian Ocean Piracy suppressed is discussed in one media article this week (b).
3. EU NAVFOR announced this week that the mandate for their Somalia Operation Atalanta has been extended until 31 Dec 20. The EU Council also confirmed that EU NAVFOR headquarters will relocate to Rota in Spain with the MSCHOA HQ moving to Brest in France on 29 March 19. Vice Admiral Antonio Martorell Lacave will be the new Operational Commander (c and d).

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

- a. 2 August 18 – Kingdom resumes oil shipments through the Bab El Mandeb (Albilad): <https://bit.ly/2veEhem>
- b. 31 Jul 18 – War on Indian Ocean piracy cost \$1.4 billion last year (Business Daily): <https://bit.ly/2LVymnH>
- c. 30 Jul 18 – EU NAVFOR Somalia Operation Atalanta: <https://bit.ly/2O2Kv87>
- d. 30 Jul 18 – EU Council votes to move mission away from the UK (The Daily Express): <https://bit.ly/2vyCDU9>
- e. 30 Jul 18 – Union cabinet approves stringent Anti-Piracy law (NDTV): <https://bit.ly/2n5WQgi>



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**ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED**

- (1) **Attacked**  
No incidents to report.
- (2) **Boarded**  
No incidents to report.
- (3) **Hijacked**  
No incidents to report.

**VESSELS & PERSONS UNDER PIRATE CONTROL**

Details of Vessel	No. Vessels held	No. Souls held	Date Taken
Merchant Vessels	0		
Fishing Vessels	0		
Dhows	0	4	26/03/15
Total	0	4	

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Date	Event	Location
13-14 Nov 18 (tbc)	SHADE	Bahrain
22 Nov 18 (tbc)	MIEVOM	Dubai

**LIAISON AND VISITS**

30 Jul - Mr Darren Brooks, Exxon Mobil.  
 31 Jul - Mr Danny Leek, Mr Sam Sithambaram & Mr Merwyn Dias, Shell International Trading Middle East Ltd.  
 Should anyone wish to visit our office in Dubai or arrange a briefing from UKMTO please contact Lt Chris Long E-mail: [Dubai-oic@ukmto.org](mailto:Dubai-oic@ukmto.org)

**ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

- [www.ukmto.org](http://www.ukmto.org)
- [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)
- [NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)

**SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
29/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	MSC VALERIA
29/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK SARAT
30/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	HC LARA
30/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	LONG BEACH TRADER
31/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	OEL TRANSWORLD
31/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	EMIRATES ASANTE
31/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	BW CLYDE
31/07/2018	JEBEL ALI	TRF MOBILE
01/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	CARPATHIA
01/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	MSC TERESA
02/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK KAMPALA
02/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	MSC RIFAYA
02/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	MS TIGER
02/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	OLYMPIC PRIDE
02/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	RICKMERS SHANGHAI
03/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	SWARNA KAVERI
03/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	MIRAMARIN
03/08/2018	JEBEL ALI	ALPINE PERSEFONE



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**WARNINGS**

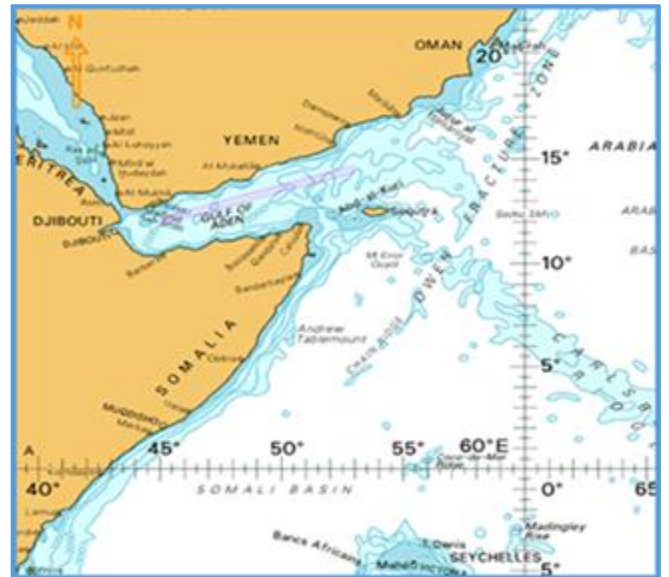
No Warnings issued.

**ADVISORIES**

No Advisories issued.

**NOTES**

For further information or queries regarding any UKMTO Warnings, Advisories or Notices ring: 0044 2392 222060. 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.



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