



UKMTO

Weekly Report

19 - 25 May 2018

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Command Overview

UKMTO have issued no Warnings or Advisories this week.

1. On 22 May two Saudi coalition warships engaged with 4 skiffs off the Yemen port of Hodeidah resulting in two of the skiffs being destroyed. Media reporting suggests the skiffs may have been targeting a merchant vessel which the warships were escorting. Investigations are ongoing but this incident is most likely linked to the Yemen conflict.
2. Illegal fishing in Somali waters which is widely viewed as one of the underlying causes of the initial rise of piracy in the region, continues unabated (article a). This may go some way to explaining the rise in pirate related incidents recorded in 2017 (b and e).
3. EU NAVFOR held a forum in Mombasa this week aimed at bringing together regional partners to focus on counter-piracy and maritime security initiatives (c).
4. Extreme weather continues to batter countries neighbouring the Gulf of Aden. Cyclone Mekuna hit the Island of Socotra and the Dhofar region of Oman this week causing widespread flooding and structural damage (d).

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

- a. 20 May - Somali fishermen struggle to compete with foreign vessels (VOA): <https://bit.ly/2lzYRhW>
- b. 21 May - Piracy incidents double off coast of East Africa in 2017 (African News): <https://bit.ly/2x2APqf>
- c. 22 May - EU NAVFOR focusses counter-piracy efforts in Mombasa, Kenya: <https://bit.ly/2IE7V5f>
- d. 24 May - Seventeen feared dead as Cyclone Mekunu hits Yemen's Socotra Island (The National): <https://bit.ly/2xcF6HJ>
- e. 24 May - Oceans Beyond Piracy: Maritime piracy doubled off East Africa in 2017 (gCaptain): <https://bit.ly/2x3Dpwe>



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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	8	26/03/15
Total	0	8	

FUTURE EVENTS

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

LIAISON AND VISITS

24 May 18 - Clive Jachnik, UK Adviser, FCO Yemen.

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

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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
[NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	MSC EARTH
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK KIMI
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	SLOMAN HESTIA
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	KONG QUE SONG
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	CHANG AN
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	PARANDOWSKI
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	ZHEN HUA 29
21/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	JOSCO CHANGZHOU
22/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	TORM ANABEL
22/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	SEZAI SELAH
22/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	SW TROPEZ I
22/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	MSC ATHOS
22/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	MURCIA MAERSK
23/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	KMARIN AQUA
23/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	BULK DRACO
23/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	SAEHAN WALLABY
23/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	KMAX VISION
23/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	BBC ALBERTA
24/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	THOR COURAGE
24/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	SOLITAIRE I
24/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	HAFNIA EUROPE
24/05/2018	JEBEL ALI	MSC PHOENIX
25/05/2018	MINA SAQR	ELPIS
25/05/2018	MINA SAQR	VINDONISSA



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WARNINGS

No Warnings issued.

ADVISORIES

No Advisories issued.

NOTES

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