



UKMTO

Weekly Report

15 - 21 Sep 2019

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Command Overview

1. This week UKMTO issued one Advisory with one update and no warnings.
2. Vessel operators and ships masters are reminded to register their ships transits of the Strait of Hormuz (SoH) at least 72hrs ahead of their passage. Registering SoH transits with UKMTO and remaining cognisant of the latest Industry, Government and Military guidance remains vital to mitigate against potential risks in the area.
3. A CTF 151 led Counter Piracy focused Operation 'KING CRAB', will be conducted from the 23 - 26 September 2019 in the Gulf of Aden and Socotra Gap.
4. A number of media articles report on the growing commitment by nations to the International Maritime Security Construct (IMSC).
5. One of the last four hostages known to be held by Somali pirates, was released yesterday after help from the UN and a humanitarian organization. The four members of the crew of the Iranian fishing dhow SIRAJ have been held in captivity since March 2015. (see media article a).
6. Open Source Media Articles of interest. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.
 - a. 21 Sept 19 - Iranian hostage freed by Somali pirates after four years. (BBC News): <https://bbc.in/2muNjCt>
 - b. 20 Sep 19 - UAE joins naval security coalition in the Gulf (DefenseNews): <http://bit.ly/2m5EdeU>
 - c. 18 Sep 19 - Saudi Arabia joins effort to protect shipping in Arabian Gulf (The National): <http://bit.ly/2m6ENch>
 - d. 14 Sep 19 - Examining autonomous ships' vulnerability to piracy (Maritime Executive): <http://bit.ly/2m5HuLe>



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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 HELD CAPTIVE

Details of Vessel	Vessels held	Souls held	Date Taken
Merchant Vessels	1	16	19/07/19
Fishing Boats	0		
Dhows	0	3	26/03/15
Total	0	19	

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
19 - 20 Nov 2019	SHADE	Bahrain
28 Nov 2019	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

21 Sep 19: Baroness Charlotte Vere, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Department of Transport (Aviation) visited the Dubai Office.

If anyone wishes to visit our Dubai office or to arrange a briefing from UKMTO please contact Lt Cdr Chris Long E-mail: Dubai-oic@ukmto.org

ADDITIONAL 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 \(MARCOM\)](#)
www.maritimelglobalsecurity.org

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
15/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	ORIENT CHALLENGE
15/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	RHONA
15/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	MELIMASS
16/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	MSC JANIS 3
16/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	CMA CGM COLUMBA
16/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	THESEUS
17/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	KIBAZ
17/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	MARIA SCHULTE
17/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	NAVIG8 PASSION
18/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	SILVER CAITRIONA
18/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	BEIJING BRIDGE
18/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	PANAGIA LADY
18/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	MOGRAL
19/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	SOUTHERN DRAGON
19/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	EASTERN ASIA
19/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	BILLESBORG
19/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	HEILAN BRIGHT
20/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	PANGAL
20/09/2019	JEBEL ALI	SILVER MUNA



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WARNINGS

No Warnings issued.

ADVISORIES

002/SEP/19

Description: UKMTO are aware of an incident occurring at approximately 1530UTC on 17 September 2019 involving a Sailing Yacht in position 1629.58N 04008.32E. Investigations are ongoing and further updates will be issued when details are known.

VESSELS TRANSITING THE AREA ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION

002/SEP/19 UPDATE 1

Reference incident occurring on 17th September 2019 at 1530UTC, UKMTO can confirm that the Yacht is safe and is now proceeding to her destination.

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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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