

UKMTO Weekly Report

29 Dec - 4 Jan 20

Command Overview

1. In response to U.S. military action taken in the region, UKMTO released a notice to Industry this week, see below for details.

2. U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD) released U.S. Maritime Alert 2020-001A: Persian Gulf, Strait of Hormuz, Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea, Gulf of Aden and Indian Ocean - Threat to commercial vessels from Iran and its proxies. MARAD alerts can be viewed at www.marad.dot.gov/MSCI or via the following link: <https://bit.ly/39Gf0MB>

Warnings, Advisories & Notices

No Warnings or Advisories issued.

UKMTO Notice 001 Jan 2020

UKMTO is aware of reports of United States military strikes overnight. Ships in the Gulf region are reminded to remain vigilant and continue to plan their transits in accordance with BMP5 along with current guidance.



For further information or queries regarding UKMTO Warnings, Advisories or Notices ring: 0044 2392 222060.
This information is provided to inform maritime situational awareness for mariners operating in the region.
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Vessels and Persons Held Captive

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

Future Events

Date	Event	Location
21 - 22 Apr 2020	SHADE	Bahrain
30 Apr 2020	MIEVOM	Dubai

Liaisons and Visits

31 Dec 19 - Anup Khan and Abdulrahman Salem, CSOs from Bhari Shipping, visited the Dubai office this week.

If anyone wishes to visit out Dubai Office or to arrange a briefing from UKMTO please contact:
Lt Cdr Chris Long email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org

Ships Briefed

Date	Location	Vessel
30/12/2019	JEBEL ALI	UACC HARMONY
30/12/2019	JEBEL ALI	SANMAR SANGEET
30/12/2019	JEBEL ALI	JAG PRAKASH
30/12/2019	JEBEL ALI	NORDIC GENEVA
02/01/2020	JEBEL ALI	FALCON ROYAL
02/01/2020	JEBEL ALI	GULF HORIZON
02/01/2020	JEBEL ALI	PACIFIC JULIA
02/01/2020	JEBEL ALI	PEDHOULAS CHERRY

Open Source Media Articles

UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of these open source media articles of interest.

- 5 Jan 20 - U.S. Army helps set up Middle East Maritime Security Program (The Maritime Executive): <https://bit.ly/35q6XQs>
- 3 Jan 20 - Risk to Shipping set to rise in Middle East with U.S. attack on top Iranian Commander (gCaptain): <http://bit.ly/35IKHr5>
- 3 Jan 20 - Strait of Hormuz, the world's biggest oil chokepoint, in focus as U.S.-Iran tensions flare (Marketwatch): <https://on.mktw.net/2MTnAxO>
- 1 Jan 20 - Crew of ship detained by Iranian authorities in Straits of Hormuz not Malaysians (Straits Times): <http://bit.ly/2rTckdn>
- 31 Dec 19 - Iran says it detained fuel ship near Strait of Hormuz (Gulf Business): <http://bit.ly/2tuz2ZE>
- 31 Dec 19 - This is how the US military is protecting the Strait of Hormuz (Military Times): <http://bit.ly/2tpRAKS>

Additional sources of Information

www.ukmto.org
[MSCHOA](#)

[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

www.marad.dot.gov/MSCI
[NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
www.maritimeglobalsecurity.org
[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)



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