

UKMTO Weekly Report

19 - 26 Jul 2020

Command Overview

1. Commercial shipping companies and ship's masters can receive the latest UKMTO Maritime Security Brief via telephone or by e-mail, using the contact details at the bottom of this page. UKMTO Dubai and the Maritime Trade Information Centre (MTIC) remains fully operational throughout the duration of the global pandemic and can be contacted as usual using the details promulgated in BMP5.
2. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the following guidance on the protection of the health of seafarers, has been issued for ship operators, shipping and seafarers.
 - a. The International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), available at: <https://bit.ly/30ANloO>
 - b. The International Maritime Organization (IMO), available at: <https://bit.ly/2Wm4FAV>
3. Dates for the forthcoming planned CMF/EU NAVFOR, Shared Awareness and Deconfliction Event (SHADE) and UKMTO Maritime Information Exchange Vessel Operators Meeting (MIEVOM), have now been promulgated. See page two for details.
4. Rear Admiral Inanir of the Turkish Navy assumed command of CTF151 from Rear Admiral Ishimaki of the Japanese Maritime Defence Force during a virtual handover ceremony on 21 July 2020. For further details and to watch the ceremony see the links on page two.

Warnings, Advisories & Notices

No Warnings, Advisories or Notices have been issued.



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

Maritime Security Briefing (Telephone)

| Date | Vessel |
|------------------|--------|
| No ships briefed | |

Future Events

| Date | Event | Location |
|----------------|--------|----------|
| 3 - 5 Nov 2020 | SHADE | Bahrain |
| 12 Nov 2020 | MIEVOM | Dubai |

Liaisons and Visits

With current restrictions due to COVID-19, all visits to our office and ships visits by Briefing Officers have been cancelled until further notice.

If anyone wishes to contact our Dubai office or to arrange a telephone briefing from UKMTO, please contact Lt Cdr Chris Long at +971 (0)50189 8389 or email dubai-oic@ukmto.org

Open Source Media Articles

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- a. 24 Jul 20 - GAC gets 3,000 Indian crew home from HAL, Princess, Seabourn ships (Seatrade Cruise News): <https://bit.ly/3jDjaJX>
- b. 23 Jul 20 - UAE Maritime industry: Steering through the coronavirus crisis with resilience (Gulf News): <https://bit.ly/32T8wZV>
- c. 23 Jul 20 - Launch Event of the State of Maritime Piracy 2019 hosted by UNODC's Global maritime Crime Programme and Stable Seas (EUNAVFOR): <https://bit.ly/2OZq8ep>
- d. 23 Jul 20 - Kuwait Coast Guard and US Navy Join Forces To Conduct Maritime Security Operations In The Arabian Gulf (CMF): <https://bit.ly/2BzVVzu>
- e. 21 Jul 20 - Japan Hands Over Command of CTF 151 to Turkey (CMF): <https://bit.ly/2P0tVI8>
- f. 20 Jul 20 - CTF 151 Commander bids farewell to CTF 152 Commander (CMF): <https://bit.ly/3jA4hlq>
- g. 24 Jul 20 - Bajamar Express gets EU NAVFOR escort through high risk area (MarineLog): <https://bit.ly/3f4SRZI>
- h. 20 Jul 20 - Fred Olsen Bajamar Express crosses the Gulf of Aden under close monitoring of EU NAVFOR Somalia Operation Atalanta (EUNAVFOR): <https://bit.ly/2OTdXzM>
- i. 21 Jul 20 - S. Korea, Japan take part in anti-piracy multilateral drill in waters off Somalia (Korea Herald): <https://bit.ly/2EmpUvX>

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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