# **UKMTO Weekly Report**

10 - 16 January 2021

# **Command Overview**

- 1. This week UKMTO released Advisory 002/Jan/2021, Notice 004/Jan/2021 (self cancelled 17 Jan 2021) and updated the dates given in Notice 001/Jan/2021, see below and page 2 for further details.
- 2. On 14 Jan 2021 MSCHOA released Alert 001/2021 which can be viewed at <a href="https://www.mschoa.org/">https://www.mschoa.org/</a> (log-in required).
- 3. This week the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) reported the findings of the International Maritime Bureau (IMB) annual piracy report, the reports states that the Gulf of Guinea experienced the highest ever number of crew kidnappings in 2020. The IMB annual piracy report can be accessed at <a href="https://bit.ly/2KnkvYN">https://bit.ly/2KnkvYN</a>

### **Warnings & Advisories**

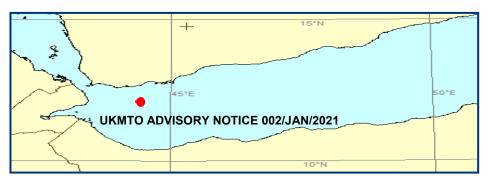
#### **ADVISORY NOTICE 002/JAN/2021**

1. Category: SUSPICIOUS APPROACH

2. Time: 14 JAN 2021 at 0849UTC

**3. Description:** An MV has reported being approached by one speed boat with 4 POB, ladder sighted. Position 1206N 04425E. Mariners should exercise caution when transiting the area.

4. Source: Master / Company



#### VESSELS TRANSITING THE AREA ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE CAUTION

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#### UKMTO NOTICE 001/JAN/2021 UPDATE 001 (AMENDED DATES)

- 1. Category: Military Exercise
- **2. Description:** Naval ships will carry out Surface, Anti-Aircraft and Depth Charge LIVE FIRING PRACTICE between 0400 and 1700UTC from 14-15, 18-22 and 25-29 Jan 2021 in the following areas:

| A. | 24-19.00N 066-58.00E<br>24-11.00N 066-27.00E | 24-00.00N 066-39.00E<br>24-24.30N 066-42.00E |
|----|--|--|
| B. | 24-36.02N 063-15.03E<br>24-21.02N 063-15.03E | 24-36.02N 062-30.03E<br>24-21.02N 062-30.03E |
| C. | 24-36.02N 062-30.03E<br>24-21.02N 062-30.03E | 24-36.02N 061-45.03E<br>24-21.02N 061-45.03E |

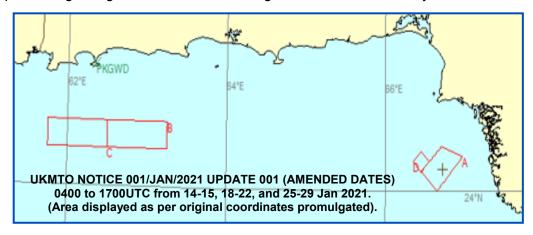
D. DEPTH CHARGE FIRING AREA

24-16.18N 066-20.50E 24-22.00N 066-27.00E 24-16.30N 066-33.00E 24-10.30N 066-27.00E

3. Ships and Craft are to keep well clear of assigned danger areas on above specified schedule.

All vessels in the vicinity are to stay vigilant and to report any incidents to UKMTO. All vessels are requested to inform UKMTO if any interference is noted on Radios/Radars/GPS.

- 4. Source: www.paknavy.gov.pk/hydro
- **5.** Any queries regarding this UKMTO Notice ring 0044 2392 222060 only for further information.



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#### **Maritime Security Briefing**

| Date       | Location  | Vessel              |  |  |
|------------|-----------|---------------------|--|--|
| 10/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | EMIRATES DANA       |  |  |
| 10/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | GULF HORIZON        |  |  |
| 10/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | SAFMARINE<br>NYASSA |  |  |
| 11/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | ARISTOS             |  |  |
| 11/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | SONGA               |  |  |
| 11/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | FEDERAL IBUKI       |  |  |
| 11/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | OEL KEDARNATH       |  |  |
| 12/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | PHOENIX RISING      |  |  |
| 12/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | IRENES RHYTHM       |  |  |

| Date       | Location  | Vessel                  |
|------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| 12/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | LEDRA                   |
| 12/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | СО КОВЕ                 |
| 13/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | THORSKY                 |
| 13/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | RITA M                  |
| 13/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | MSC INGY                |
| 13/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | BW DANUBE               |
| 15/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | MSC PAMELA              |
| 15/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | COSCO SHIPPING<br>SOLAR |
| 15/01/2021 | JEBEL ALI | OOCL EGYPT              |

#### **Liaisons and Visits**

No visits took place this week.

If anyone wishes to contact our Dubai office, arrange a visit or request a briefing on Maritime Security via the telephone, please contact Lt Cdr Chris Long by telephone: +971 (0)501898389 or email: <a href="mailto:dubai-oic@ukmto.org">dubai-oic@ukmto.org</a>

# **Open Source Media Articles**

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- a. 15 Jan 21 Atalanta mandate expanded (defenceweb): http://bit.ly/35Nzt1D
- b. 15 Jan 21 Denmark takes lead of Europe's Operation AGENOR (NavalNews): http://bit.ly/2N6KFjn
- c. 14 Jan 21 Coalition Task Force conducts Joint Exercise in the Arabian Gulf (MaritimeExecutive): http://bit.ly/3suyjBS
- d. 14 Jan 21 Ship insurers primed to raise rates after Red Sea attacks (HellenicShippingNews): http://bit.ly/3sFHnnl
- e. 14 Jan 21 Gulf of Guinea becomes this decade's Somalia as kidnapping cases soar (Splash 24/7): <a href="http://bit.ly/3bNrRQu">http://bit.ly/3bNrRQu</a>
- f. 13 Jan 21 Gulf of Guinea records highest ever number of crew kidnapped in 2020, according to IMB's annual piracy report (ICC): <a href="http://bit.ly/3qrPjHe">http://bit.ly/3qrPjHe</a>
- g. 11 Jan 21 French Navy's 2020 report on worldwide maritime piracy and robbery (NavalNews): <a href="http://bit.ly/2LWktHO">http://bit.ly/2LWktHO</a>
- h. 10 Jan 21 The IMO 2021 Cyber Guidelines and the need to secure seaports (MaritimeExecutive): <a href="http://bit.ly/2LQsEFr">http://bit.ly/2LQsEFr</a>

# **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)



