

United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations



Weekly Report: 30 May to 5 Jun 2021

1. On 1 June 2021 Combined Maritime Forces (CMF) and EU Naval Forces (EUNAVFOR) jointly released their industry releasable threat assessment (IRTA) which can be downloaded from the EUNAVFOR website (secure login required).
2. This is your last chance to sign up to the Maritime Information Exchange Vessel Operators' Meeting (MIEVOM). The event will be held on Thursday 10 June, participants can [sign up to the event on Eventbrite](#) and attend either in person or virtually. The agenda has been published and includes speakers from CMF, Risk Intelligence, Conflict Armament Research and the Royal Navy's Yemen Liaison Officer.
3. The @UK_MTO Twitter handle launched last week providing another avenue to publish our Warnings, Advisories and Notices.
4. This week we welcomed Lieutenant Commander Peter Arnold RNZN our new International Liaison Officer from New Zealand who will join UKMTO (Dubai) until September 2021.

Warnings, Advisories and Notices

Please see below a list of all recent and extant UKMTO warnings, advisories and notices. Full details can be found on the website [UKMTO](#). UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.

Warnings and Advisories		
No Warnings or Advisories issued this week.		
Notices		
Number	Category	Remarks
008/FEB/2021	Transiting the Strait of Hormuz	In force until further notice
002/MAY/2021	Military Exercise	Cancel 301800UTC JUN 2021

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Open Source Media Articles

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a. Yemen: Health, environment and economy remain under threat from stricken oil tanker

There has been no further investigation into the state of the FSO Safer, a stricken tanker anchored just 4.8 nautical miles off the Yemen coast, meaning the risk of a massive oil leak continues to grow with each passing day, a senior UN official told the Security Council on Thursday.

5 Jun 21 - Saudi Gazette: <https://bit.ly/3ilLB0Q>

b. World Environment Day 2021: Why are cyclones intensifying in Indian Ocean

Climate change has made the Indian Ocean region more unpredictable than ever. On the one hand, more cyclones are emerging; on the other, they are intensifying rapidly - gaining more power in a short time.

5 Jun 21 - Down to Earth: <https://bit.ly/3x15SwV>

c. Officials investigating why Iran warship caught fire and sank in Gulf of Oman

Military officials in the Gulf are investigating what caused the Iranian navy's largest vessel to catch fire and sink in the latest mysterious incident to affect shipping linked to Tehran. The support ship Kharg went down in the strait of Hormuz just after dawn on Wednesday, after a fire that had started 18 hours earlier reached the waterline. All crew members are reported to have survived.

2 Jun 21 - Guardian: <https://bit.ly/3zeMfDA>

2 Jun 21 - KRCG: <https://bit.ly/3fTrV2J>

d. The Suez Canal is being widened. Will it be enough to stop another ship getting stuck?

In March, world trade was thrown into chaos by a boat. The Ever Given, a container ship nearly as long as the Empire State Building is tall, ran aground in the Suez Canal in Egypt. It was stuck for six days, disrupting global supply chains. In an effort to avoid a repeat of the event, in mid-May, the Suez Canal Authority (SCA) [announced](#) it had started dredging work to widen and deepen the southern part of the canal where the Ever Given was jammed.

31 May 21 - CNN World: <https://cnn.it/2S5wz4V>

Engagement and Visits

No visits took place this week.

To contact our Dubai office, arrange a visit or request a briefing please contact Lt Cdr Sam Yee by telephone: +971 (0)501 898 389 or email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org

Maritime Security Briefs

Company Security Officers and Masters wishing to receive the latest regional maritime security brief should contact Lt Cdr Sam Yee email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org

Date	Location	Vessel	Date	Location	Vessel
30/05/2021	JEBEL ALI	GFS RUBY	03/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	GENERAL GUISAN
30/05/2021	JEBEL ALI	SAGITTARIUS	03/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	KSL YANG
31/05/2021	JEBEL ALI	FRONT CAPELLA	04/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	ZEINAB
31/05/2021	JEBEL ALI	JOLLY VANADIO	04/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	HEILAN CRUISER
02/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	MATZ MAERSK	04/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	BOS ANGEL
02/06/2021	JEBEL ALI	X-PRESS MEKONG			

Future Events

Date	Event	Location
10 Jun 2021	MIEVOM	Dubai International Seafarer's Centre /Virtual

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Additional Sources of Information

[United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations \(UKMTO\)](#)
[Maritime Security Centre Horn of Africa \(MSCHOA\)](#)
[International Maritime Security Construct \(IMSC\)](#)
[International Maritime Bureau \(IMB\) Live Piracy Reports](#)
[United States Dept of Transportation Maritime Administration](#)
[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
[Maritime Global Security](#)
[Oil Companies International Marine Forum \(OCIMF\)](#)
[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
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