

# United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations



## Weekly Report: 26 Sep - 2 Oct 2021

1. BZ to Combined Task Force 150 led by the Royal New Zealand Navy which seized 3,600kgs of hash through the French Marine Nationale frigate FS Languedoc in its second major drug seizure outside the Arabian Gulf in a week. We will welcome Captain Clark, commander of CTF 150 when he visits UKMTO (Dubai) this week.

## 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](http://UKMTO). UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.

Warnings		
No Warnings were issued this week.		

Advisories		
Number	Category	Remarks
No Advisories were issued this week.		

Notices		
Number	Category	Remarks
008/FEB/2021	<a href="#">Transiting the Strait of Hormuz</a>	In force until further notice
002/SEP/2021	<a href="#">Military Exercise</a>	Cancel 301800UTCSEP21

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## Open Source Media Articles

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### **a. New report on illegal fishing released**

According to the report, “*Bad Catch: Examining Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing*,” IUU fishing threatens global maritime security while exacerbating food insecurity, marine degradation, organized crime, and poverty. Increased competition over dwindling marine resources has led to the evasion of fisheries authorities and the flourishing of corruption and transnational organized crime.

2 Oct 21 - Deeper Blue: <https://bit.ly/3moxEQp>

### **b. NZ Navy-led operation seizes hash valued at \$2.6 million**

The Royal New Zealand Navy-led counter narcotics operation has seized its second major drug seizure outside the Arabian Gulf in a week. French Marine Nationale frigate FS Languedoc, operating in support of Combined Maritime Forces (CMF) Combined Task Force 150 (CTF 150), confiscated 3,600 kilograms of hash, valued at \$2.59 million from a vessel in the Indian Ocean.

1 Oct 21 - NZ Herald: <https://bit.ly/3AbBWQ0>

1 Oct 21 - TVNZ: <https://bit.ly/3FdMYb9>

28 Sep 21 - Combined Maritime Forces (CMF): <https://bit.ly/3DagUTM>

### **c. ‘Indispensable’ mariners face challenges ‘securing vital global supply chains’**

World Maritime Day 2021 was observed across the globe on September 30 in a tribute to the professionalism and sacrifice of the two million seafarers who served the world's merchant navy fleet even amid the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) pandemic situation.

30 Sep 21 - Homeland Security: <https://bit.ly/39VAa1>

30 Sep 21 - International News: <https://bit.ly/3isNMPPr>

### **e. Port cybersecurity: incorporating the IAPH’s new guidelines into the ISPS code**

Earlier this month the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH), a trade association representing ports across the globe, announced the publication of cyber guidelines for ports and port facilities. With help from the World Bank, the IAPH developed these cybersecurity guidelines to mitigate, according to the publication’s executive summary, “the top risk for port authorities and the wider port community.”

29 Sep 21 - Center for International Maritime Security (CIMSEC): <https://bit.ly/39ZzUro>

### **f. Iran, UAE rehash tension over contested islands**

The contested islands Abu Musa, Lesser Tunb and Greater Tunb, all located in the strategic Strait of Hormuz, have contested between the United Arab Emirates and Iran for nearly 50 years.

29 Sep 21 - Daij World: <https://bit.ly/3A2WpGj>

29 Sep 21 - Al-Monitor: <https://bit.ly/3FdrQBK>

### **g. India, Oman sign pact to boost maritime security cooperation**

India and Oman have inked an agreement for exchange of white shipping information and to boost maritime security cooperation in reflection of growing cooperation between the two sides. The pact was signed by Chief of Navy Staff Admiral Karambir Singh and his Omani counterpart Admiral Saif bin Nasser bin Mohsen Al-Rahbi in Muscat, officials said.

28 Sep 21 - Business Today India: <https://bit.ly/3mmM17P>

27 Sep 21 - Republic World: <https://bit.ly/3uCbSMv>

### **h. China Sends New Fleet to Gulf of Aden 'On Escort Mission'**

The 39th fleet of the Chinese People’s Liberation Army (PLA) Navy set out from the city of Qingdao, in east China’s Shandong Province, on Sunday 26 September 2021 to conduct an escort mission in the Gulf of Aden and the waters off Somalia.

26 Sep 21 - XINHUANET: <https://bit.ly/3Bio5c1>

## Engagement and Visits

There were no visits to UKMTO Dubai this week.

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## 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](mailto:dubai-oic@ukmto.org)

Date	Location	Vessel
30/09/2021	JEBEL ALI	KIVELI
30/09/2021	JEBEL ALI	ARCHELAOS
01/10/2021	JEBEL ALI	AMERICA
01/10/2021	JEBEL ALI	JOLLY VANADIO

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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 \(MENAS\)](#)

[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)

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