

United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations



Weekly Report: 6 to 12 March 2022

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
No new Warnings were issued this week.

Advisories		
Number	Category	Remarks
No new Advisories were issued this week.		

Notices		
Number	Category	Remarks
008/FEB/2021	Transiting the Strait of Hormuz	In force until further notice

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Open Source Media Articles

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a. Houthis agree to allow UN to offload decaying oil tanker in Red Sea.

The Iran-backed Houthis have agreed to allow the UN to empty the rusting Safer oil tanker in the Red Sea which threatened to cause a major catastrophic disaster. "A memorandum of understanding has been signed with the United Nations for the Safer tanker," the Houthi leader said on Twitter.

13 Mar 22 - Arab News: <https://bit.ly/37vwNjX>

08 Mar 22 - Maritime Executive: <https://bit.ly/3tV3q3A>

06 Mar 22 - Reuters: <https://reut.rs/3MNqyB6>

b. 1 In 5 Ukraine seafarers want to return home to fight .

An estimated 55 to 60 percent of Ukraine's 80,000 seafarers are currently on ships and roughly 20% want to return to Ukraine to fight against Russia. The Marine Transport Workers Trade Union of Ukraine has urged its members to stay onboard for their own safety and to keep global logistics running.

12 Mar 22 - gCaptain: <https://bit.ly/3t7vyZA>

c. IMO Calls for maritime safety corridors to evacuate ships stranded by Ukraine conflict.

UN's shipping agency will seek to create a safe maritime corridor to enable merchant ships and their crews stuck in the Black Sea and Sea of Azov to sail away without the risk of being hit, it said on Friday.

11 Mar 22 - Reuters: <https://bit.ly/3vZaVRe>

10 Mar 22 - Bloomberg: <https://bit.ly/36k7zO4>

d. UN authorization to fight piracy in Somali waters ends.

The fight against piracy in Somali waters has been conducted with planes and ships under a European operation called Atalanta. It began in 2008 and was extended by European officials until December 2022 under the aegis of the Security Council authorization. Now that the UN authorization has expired, those ships and planes can still ward off and chase pirates but only in international air space and waters, not those of Somalia.

11 Mar 22 - France 24: <https://bit.ly/3I3PCAj>

e. Tanzania: Appeal Court orders fresh trial on seven Somali pirates.

The Court of Appeal has ordered a fresh trial of seven Somali nationals, who were sentenced to life imprisonment for piracy after allegedly attacking an oil exploration vessel in 2011 in the Indian Ocean within the United Republic of Tanzania waters.

11 Mar 22 - All Africa: <https://bit.ly/35PrG6J>

f. Will Russia's tanker fleet come to a halt?

Nine Aframax vessels owned by Sovcomflot PJSC have been idling at sea for more than a week after discharging cargoes, according to ship-tracking data monitored by Bloomberg. That's more than a quarter of the company's such tankers observed operating around the coasts of Europe and North America.

11 Mar 22 - Bloomberg: <https://bit.ly/3t2Sznf>

g. Ship insurers extend war risk zone "close to Romania."

London's marine insurance market has widened the area of waters around the Black Sea and Sea of Azov that it deems high risk, as Russia's invasion of Ukraine intensifies and perils to merchant shipping grow.

08 Mar 22 - Reuters: <https://bit.ly/3w2KvOj>

Engagement and Visits

There were no visitors 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 Dougie Bell email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org.

Date	Location	Vessel
09/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	GULF TRADER
09/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	QI SHUN
09/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	LIA
10/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	CAPE TAWEELAH
10/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	LYRIC POET
12/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	RT STAR
12/03/2022	JEBEL ALI	NORD VALOROUS

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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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