

Weekly Report: 10-16 Nov 2023

EU NAVFOR Operation Atalanta: Vice Admiral Ignacio Villanueva Serrano Spanish Navy, has been appointed as Operation Commander of the EU military operation contributing to Maritime Security in the West Indian Ocean and the Red Sea. Op Atalanta contributes to the deterrence, prevention, and repression of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast, and, it counters illicit trafficking. For further details see [here](#).

Local Regional Engagement: 13 Nov - UKMTO (Dubai) hosted an office visit by Capt Andy Keane and Mr Jonathan Hillman of Shell.

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		
Number	Category	Remarks
-	-	No Warnings were issued this week.

Advisories		
Number	Category	Remarks
002/NOV/2023	Suspicious Approach	A time late report to UKMTO of a small craft sighting with visible weapons reported. No other piracy-related indicators or intent to interfere with the merchant vessel were reported to UKMTO. No military uniform, insignia or hardware were reported. Regional authorities believe this vessel was unlikely to have been involved in piracy or military activities.

Notices		
Number	Category	Remarks
003/NOV/2023	Firing Practice	Expires 3 Nov 23.
004/NOV/2023	Electronic Interference	-
005/NOV/2023	Firing Practice	Expires 20 Nov 23.
006/NOV/2023	Live Firing Practice	Expires 18 Nov 23.

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Open Source Media Articles

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- **Industry transit advice, Persian gulf, Strait of Hormuz and Sea of Oman.**
 - 09 Nov - maritimoglobalsecurity: <https://bit.ly/40zvj8X>
- **Yemen's Houthis say they launched ballistic missiles on Israeli military targets.**
 - 14 Nov—Reuters: <https://bit.ly/3uewchl>
- **US Navy warship shoots down drone from Yemen over the Red Sea.**
 - 15 Nov—Associated Press, Washington: <https://bit.ly/40DzeS7>
- **CMF's French-led Combined Task Force 150 Seizes \$34 Million in Illegal Narcotics at Sea.**
 - 6 Nov - combinedmaritimeforces: <https://bit.ly/3QIKt1V>

Office Visits, Briefings and Maritime Security Updates

To contact our Dubai office, arrange an office visit, request a briefing on UKMTO or request a regional maritime security brief, please email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org. Please note that any emails received between 13:00 (UTC) on Friday afternoon and 04:00 (UTC) on Monday morning, may not be actioned before 04:00 (UTC) on Monday. For urgent and short notice briefing requirements, Security Officers and Masters should contact the Duty UKMTO (Dubai) Officer on: +971 (0)50 554 5477 who will be able to arrange urgent and/ or short-notice briefings that fall outside of the above times.

Ships Maritime Security Briefings - Jebel Ali

Date	Vessel	Date	Vessel
09 Nov	MOUTON	14 Nov	IBBI
09 Nov	AFRICAN SANDERLING	15 Nov	NORDIC BASEL
09 Nov	BAO RUN	15 Nov	ZHONG CHANG YU
14 Nov	CHIPOLBROK SUN	15 Nov	MARIE MAERSK
14 Nov	V PACIFIC	-	-

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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](#)

[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)

[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)

[Maritime Global Security](#)

[Oil Companies International Marine Forum \(OCIMF\)](#)

[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)

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