



MDAT-GoG Monthly Report 10/2018 October

OVERVIEW

The MDAT-GOG has been in operation since 20 June 16. It is a virtual reporting mechanism supporting the interregional architecture defined by the Yaounde Code of Conduct. The primary output from the MDAT-GoG is to contribute by maintaining coherent maritime situational awareness in the central and western African Maritime Space, with the ability to inform and support industry, contributing to the safety and security of the Mariner in the regional maritime domain. All vessels are encouraged to report to the MDAT-GoG using the existing reporting formats. The information supplied by vessels will be treated as commercially confidential.

All details can be found on [SHOM Chart 8801CSD](#) or [UKHO Chart Q6114](#), 30 June 2016, to allow vessels to report their vessels when transiting the revised Voluntary Reporting Area (VRA), also described on both security charts with the MDAT-GOG, using the email address watchkeepers@mdat-gog.org. Phone number is monitored permanently (+33 (0)298 22 88 88).

Any queries regarding ADVISORY NOTICES ring: +33 (0)298 22 88 88, for further information. ADVISORIES are not classified as Maritime Security Events and have not been verified by MDAT-GoG. This information is provided to inform maritime situational awareness for mariners operating in the region. MDAT-GoG is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.

Masters are encouraged to comply with [Global Counter Piracy Guidance](#) during their presence in Voluntary Reporting Area.

11 events have been reported to MDAT-GoG for October 2018, Serials 064/18 to 074/18.

Fair winds and following seas!

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CLASSIFICATIONS

Hijack: Vessel taken by attacker, no longer under the control of the Master.

Attack: Use of weapons by assailants at vessel or boarding with intent to take-control of the vessel-

Boarding: Assailants board a vessel with intention to take control of the vessel.

Suspicious approach: Close approach with unknown-

Robbery: Theft realized in territorial waters with threat/violence to crew.

Theft: Theft realized in territorial waters with no violence.

Sighting and Irregular activity: All suspicious information with no proof of intent to board the vessel.

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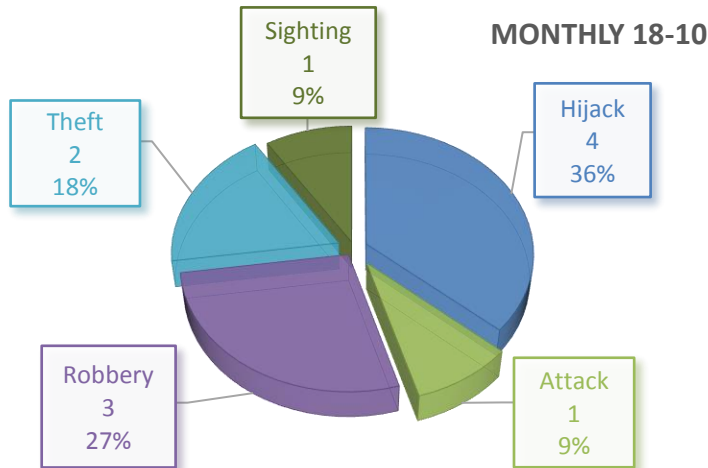
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MONTHLY STATISTICS

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ADVISORIES: 4 issued	Date of issue	Classification and comments
001/OCT/18	09 Oct. 18	Robbery
002/OCT/18	23 Oct. 18	Theft
003/OCT/18	25 Oct 18	Hijack
004/OCT/18	27 Oct 18	Hijack

WARNINGS: 1 issued	Date of issue	Classification and comments
001/OCT/18	29 Oct 18	Hijack + Attack
001/OCT/18 Update 01	29- Oct 18	Hijack + Attack
001/OCT/18 Update 02	30 Oct 18	Hijack
001/OCT/18 Update 03	01 Nov 18	Hijack

DRILL EXERCICE	Date	Company
	04 Oct 18	NSML
	15 Oct 18	BP Shipping LTD

INCIDENTS reported

- Hijack: 4
- Attack: 1
- Boarding: 0
- Susp. approach: 0
- Robbery: 3
- Theft: 2
- Sighting – Irr. activity: 1

NOTICES

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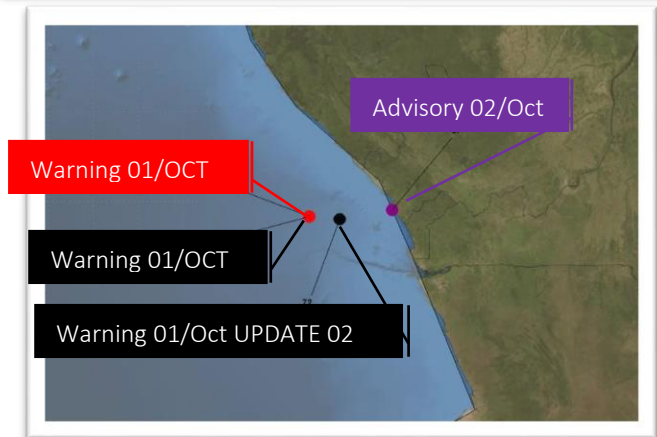
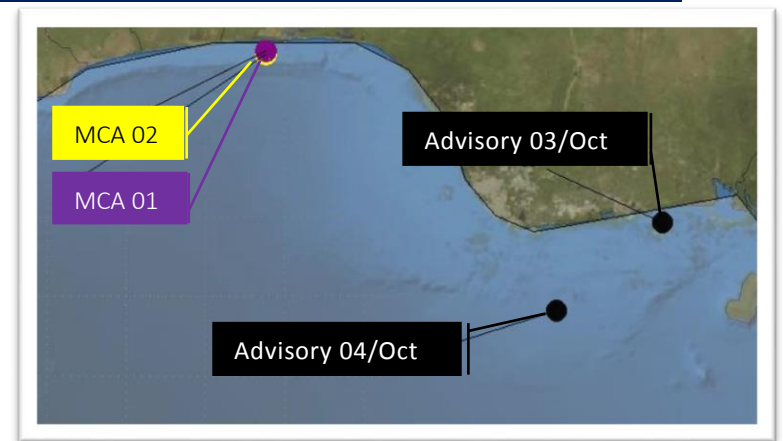
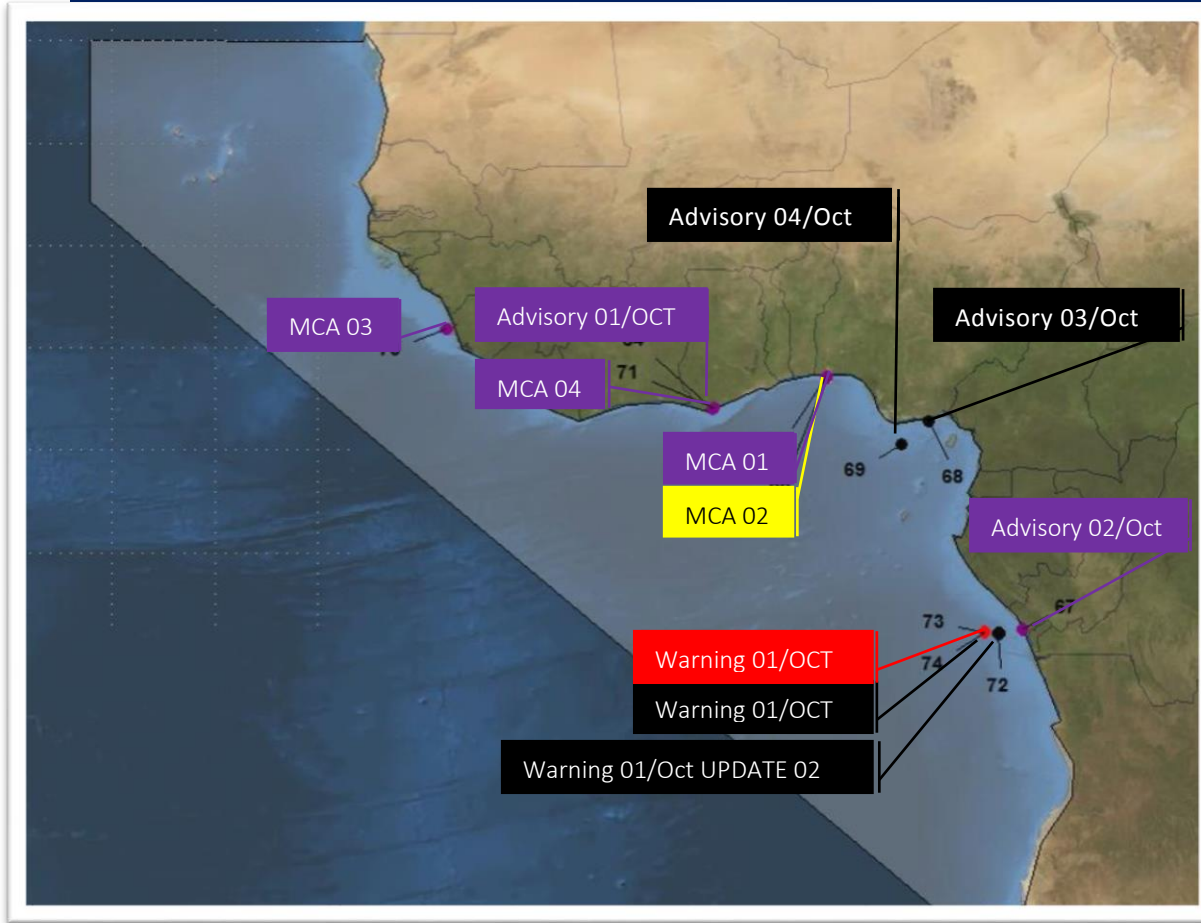
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MAP OF INCIDENTS



- HIJACK
- ATTACK-BOARDING
- SUSPICIOUS APPROACH
- SIGHTING – IRREGULAR ACT
- THEFT -ROBBERY
- SEARCH AND RESCUE - MISC

MCA : Maritime Crime Activity

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Incident 064/18

<u>Category</u>	Robbery	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	09 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	03 :15
<u>Position</u>	04°53'00N – 001°45'00W	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	Takoradi Anchorage, GHANA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	At Anchorage	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Cloudy Wind 6/NW Moderate Sea, moderate swell

Description:

On Tuesday 9th October 2018 at 0315UTC, in position 04°53'00N 001°45'00W (Takoradi anchorage) an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was boarded by one person via the anchor chain. The person left the vessel when spotted by a security patrol. Nothing was stolen. Crew and vessel are safe.

Duration of Attack

Five minutes after the intruder was discovered

Method Of Approach

Climb up through the anchor chain port side hawse pipe

Type of Vessel used

Small boat

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : None

Incident reporting

Takoradi Port Control, Takoradi Police (Patrol boat was sent to carry out searching around M/V), MOC Accra, MDAT

MDAT Reference :Weekly Report 18/41 and Advisory 001/OCT/18

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Incident 067/18

<u>Category</u>	Theft	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	22 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	23:28
<u>Position</u>	04°46'46S – 011°47'30E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	280/3NM Pointe Noire, REPUBLIC OF CONGO
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	At Anchorage	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear Wind 2/SSW Sea/Swell: 0.2M

Description:

On Monday the 22nd October 2018 at 2328UTC, in position at 04°46'46S - 011°47'30E (Pointe Noire) an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) has been boarded by armed persons. They boarded via the anchor chain. Crew and vessel are safe.

Duration of Attack

Six minutes after the intruders were discovered

Method Of Approach

Via Anchor Hawse Pipe

Type of Vessel used

Small narrow skiff

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : 1&1/2 Mooring rope stolen

Incident reporting

Port Control (informed the police and a police boat was sent), CRESMAC POINTE NOIRE, MDAT

MDAT Reference : Weekly Report 18/41 and Advisory 002/OCT/18

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Incident 068/18

<u>Category</u>	Hijack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	25 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	20 :30
<u>Position</u>	04°21'42N – 007°42'56E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	095/35NM off Bonny, NIGERIA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Unknown

Description:

Time Late Report received that an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by an unknown number of speed boats and pirates at approx. 2030UTC, Thursday the 25th October 2018. The exact position of the attack is unknown, nevertheless it can be estimated at the following point position 04°21'42N – 007°42'56E. Unknown Status. Vessel Safe

Duration of Attack

NIL

Method Of Approach

NIL

Type of Vessel used

NIL

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : None**Incident reporting**

MOC Bonny, ERCC CALABAR, MDAT

MDAT Reference : Weekly Report 18/44 and Advisory 003/OCT/18**INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS**

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Incident 069/18

<u>Category</u>	Hijack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	27 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	04 : 00
<u>Position</u>	03°21'00N – 006°30'00E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	225/60NM off Bonny, NIGERIA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Unknown

Description:

On 27th October 2018 at 0400UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked in position 03°21'N – 006°30'E (225°/ 60nm of Bonny, NIGERIA).

Duration of Attack

NIL

Method Of Approach

NIL

Type of Vessel used

Two Skiffs

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : None**Incident reporting**

MOC BONNY, NNS TITAN, MDAT

MDAT Reference : Weekly Report 18/44 and Advisory 004/OCT/18**INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS**

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UPDATE 02**

Incident 072/18

<u>Category</u>	Hijack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	29 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	03 :30
<u>Position</u>	04°57'30S – 010°44'00E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	249/66NM off Pointe-Noire, REPUBLIC OF CONGO
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	Adrift	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Cloudy Wind 7/SW Swell 2M

Description:

On Monday 29th October 2018 at 0330UTC, in position 04°57'30S - 010°44E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by a skiff with 10 pirates on board. After spending 09h50 approximately on board, they left the MV. Ship Safe

Duration of Attack

Approx 9.5Hrs

Method Of Approach

Direct, undetected by radar.

Type of Vessel used

Fast boat

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : Ship Safe

Incident reporting

MDAT, MOC DOUALA, MOC Libreville, MOC Pointe-Noire, MICC YAOUNDE, CERESMAC Pointe-Noire

MDAT Reference : Weekly Report 18/44 and Warning 001/OCT/18

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Incident 073/18

<u>Category</u>	Hijack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	29 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	12 :50
<u>Position</u>	04°47'00S – 010°07'00E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	270/102NM off Pointe-Noire, REPUBLIC OF CONGO
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear, Calm Seas

Description:

On Monday 29th October at 1250UTC, in position 04°47S - 010°07E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by one skiff launched from a hijacked cargo ship during a bunkering.

Duration of Attack

Thirty minutes

Method Of Approach

Boarding

Type of Vessel used

Speed boat and hijacked vessel

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : Ship Safe

Incident reporting

MDAT, MOC DOUALA, MOC Libreville, MOC Pointe-Noire, MICC YAOUNDE, CERESMAC Pointe-Noire

MDAT Reference : [Weekly Report 18/44 and Warning 001/OCT/18](#)

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Incident 074/18

<u>Category</u>	Attack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	29 Oct. 18	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	12:50
<u>Position</u>	04°47'00S – 010°07'00E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	270/102NM off Pointe-Noire, REPUBLIC OF CONGO
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear, Calm Seas

Description:

On Monday 29th October at 1250UTC, in position 04°47S - 010°07E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by one skiff launched from a hijacked cargo ship during a bunkering.

Duration of Attack

Thirty Minutes

Method Of Approach

Boarding, fired upon

Type of Vessel used

Speed boat and hijacked vessel

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : All safe

Incident reporting

MDAT, MOC DOUALA, MOC Libreville, MOC Pointe-Noire, MICC YAOUNDE, CERESMAC Pointe-Noire

MDAT Reference : Weekly Report 18/44 and Warning 001/OCT/18

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MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY REPORT

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MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Maritime Crime Activity 01	Event 065/18
<p>Lagos, NIGERIA, Description: On Sunday 14th October 2018 at 0045 UTC, in position 06°17'33N 003°13'47E (Lagos anchorage) an MV (NAME WITHHELD) was boarded by two intruders. Once spotted by the Watchmen, the intruders jumped overboard and escaped by boat. Nothing was stolen. Crew and vessel are safe.</p> <p>Method Of Approach: Unnoticed</p> <p>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : None</p> <p>MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 18/42</p>	

Maritime Crime Activity 02	Event 066/18
<p>Lagos, NIGERIA Description: On Wednesday 17th October 2018 at 0155 UTC, in position 06°15'54N – 003°13'18E (Lagos Anchorage) A speed boat was spotted nearby the anchor chain of an MV (NAME WITHHELD) with four persons on board. The alarm was raised and the boat moved away from position. Nothing was stolen. Crew and vessel are safe.</p> <p>Method Of Approach: Nearby anchor chain</p> <p>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : None</p> <p>MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 18/42</p>	

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MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Maritime Crime Activity 03	Event 070/18
<p>Freetown, SIERRA LEONE</p> <p>Description: On Saturday the 27th October 2018 at 0420UTC, in position 08°28'18N - 013°23'42W (Freetown) an MV (NAME WITHHELD) has been boarded by armed persons. They injured a crew member, and have taken its phone and VHF. They have also stolen a rope and life jackets. The sounding alarm made them escape. Crew and vessel are safe.</p> <p>Method Of Approach: By sea</p> <p>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : 1 crew injured,1 mooring ropes/6 life jackets/Walky-Talky-Mob/Phone stolen</p> <p>MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 18/44</p>	

Maritime Crime Activity 04	Event 071/18
<p>Sekondi/Takoradi, GHANA</p> <p>Description: On Sunday 28th October 2018 at 0230UTC, in position 04°56'24N - 001°42'00W an MV (NAME WITHHELD) was boarded. Equipment was stolen from the container. Crew and vessel are safe.</p> <p>Method Of Approach: Shadows at the stern, they used mooring lines to board</p> <p>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo : Equipment stolen from container</p> <p>MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 18/44</p>	