



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 22-17

26th May – 02nd June 2017

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

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OVERVIEW

The MDAT-GOG has been in operation since 20 June 16. Some vessels / masters are still attempting to register with the now closed MTISC-GOG. Masters and CSOs are urged to ensure they have the correct details, these can be found on SHOM Chart 8801CSD or UKHO Chart Q6114, 30 June 2016, to allow them 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

Masters are requested to call MDAT-GoG (+33 298 228888) at the time of any incident occurring. This phone number is monitored permanently (24/7). It is requested the Masters contact MDAT-GoG as soon as possible to facilitate quicker actions by the MDAT-GoG and their regional contacts.

Companies / Ships Exercises: MDAT-GOG would like to extend an invitation to Companies / CSOs to be included in Company led exercises/drills. Please do not hesitate to contact the MDAT-GOG in advance of the exercise. The Exercise telephone number is +33 298 221302. As this keeps the Live Emergency Line free.

Two events have been reported to MDAT-GoG this week. See details on page 2.

MDAT – GoG reports are primarily based upon information sent by vessels using the Voluntary Reporting scheme. Masters and CSOs are encouraged to report as early as possible, events or sightings with as much detail as possible to allow MDAT-GOG to initiate the appropriate response. Sometimes incomplete reports cause delay to the issue of warnings and our ability to contact Local Navy assets for assistance.

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- [Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service \(SHOM\)](#)
- [Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)
- [United Kingdom Hydrographic Office \(UKHO\)](#)
- [IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)



Weekly events

- ★ Hijack - Kidnap - Attack
- ★ Robbery - Theft - Boarding
- ★ Suspicious approach Irregular activity
- ★ Miscellaneous

| Date | Type | Rge/Brg from nearest shore | Summary of event |
|----------|--------|---|---|
| 29/05/17 | KIDNAP | 7NM inside Bayelsa State Waterways, NIGERIA | At about 21:40Z hrs in position 04°30N - 005°55E, a small merchant vessel was attacked. Criminals kidnapped crew-members and escaped using double engine speedboats. The speedboats later capsized and some of the crew-members may have died. Only one hostage survived. MDAT-GoG comment: This event was reported to MDAT-GoG two days after it took place. It concerned a small vessel inland with no IMO. |
| 26/05/17 | THEFT | 12NM/273 from Freetown, SIERRA LEONE | At about 02:00Z hrs in position 08°26.33N - 013°28.16W, a merchant vessel anchored off Freetown was boarded by thieves. Ship's properties were reported stolen during duty crew during routine round. |

WEEKLY EVENTS

- (1) Hijack - Kidnap:**
One incident to report. See details on P2.
- (2) Boarding – Boarding attempt:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (3) Attack:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (4) Robbery – Sea theft:**
One incident to report. See details on P2.
- (5) Suspicious approach:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (6) Sighting – Irregular activity:**
Nil incidents to report.

WARNINGS

Nil WARNINGS have been issued this week.

ADVISORIES

Nil ADVISORIES have been issued this week.

CONTACT

Contact the MDAT-GoG:
 E-mail: watchkeepers@mdat-gog.org
 Phone : +33 (0) 2 98 22 88 88 (emergency)
 Phone : +33 (0) 2 98 22 13 02 (exercise)
Phones and mail are monitored 24/7.

NOTES

Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices ring: 0033 298 22 88 88 only, for further information. ADVISORIES are not Classified as a 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.