

UKMTO  
 Weekly Report  
 24 - 30 Dec 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION IN THIS ISSUE

## Command Overview

1. UKMTO released 2 Advisories this week (page 3).
2. This week’s chart shows the disposition of those maritime security incidents during 2016 that carried a heightened degree of suspicion. 11 were released as Advisories.
3. The total number of 11 Advisories is significantly less than the previous year when 43 were released. This may be attributable to a number of factors such as improved Pattern of Life awareness by ship’s crew, use of embarked Armed Security Teams, increased naval activity in the region due to the Yemen conflict, presence of international maritime forces including independent deployers and Focused Operations by the Combined Maritime Forces to educate merchant and fishing communities. The majority of these incidents were reported in the Southern Red Sea and vicinity of the Bab el Mandeb which although not uncommon, increased towards the latter part of the year and is most likely due to spill over into the maritime domain from regional tensions and a heightened state of vigilance by mariners.

4. UKMTO would like to wish all readers a happy, safe and prosperous New Year.

### EVENTS REPORTED TO UKMTO

(Numbers after incidents refer to the Advisory number, see page 3 for this week’s Warnings/Advisories)

Note: Advisory 006/OCT/16 involving MV CPO Korea was assessed by all CP groups as the first piracy attack in the region for over 2 years.



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**ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED**

**(1) Attacked**

No incidents to report.

**(2) Boarded**

No incidents to report.

**(3) Hijacked**

No incidents to report.

**Vessels/Crew under pirate control**

Merchant Vessel	0	Personnel
Dhows/Fishing Vessels	8	Personnel
Other crew still held	0	Personnel
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	

Vessel name		Date taken
Dhow Siraj	8	26/03/15

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Date	Event	Location
25 – 26 Apr 17	SHADE	Bahrain
4 May 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

**LIAISON AND VISITS**

Nil

**ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

- [NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
- [NATO Shipping Centre – Alert Details](#)
- [NATO Shipping Centre – Piracy Update](#)
- [Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)
- [MSCHOA](#)
- [Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
- [Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
- [United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)
- [IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

**SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
27/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	GUNHILD KIRK
27/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	HERMIONE
27/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	SAN FRANCISCA
28/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	CONTI STOCKHOLM
28/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	FRISIA GOTEBORG
28/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	CITY OF BEIJING
29/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	RIO CADIZ
29/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	KOTA CEMPAKA
29/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN GENERAL
29/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	RIVER ETERNITY
29/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	CHEM NEW YORK
29/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	THOR MAGNHILD
30/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	SEACON 8
30/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	BAHRI TABUK
30/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	ALPINE MADELEINE

## ADVISORIES

001/DEC/2016

**Category:** Suspicious Approach

**Description:** On 231905ZDEC16 in position 15 45.7N 041 18.1E, an MV reported three skiff's had approached the MV. The closest skiff got to 100m. MV's security team fired warning shots, and 3-4 flashes of light were seen from the skiffs. Crew mustered in citadel and MV took evasive action. Skiffs moved away, MV is safe.

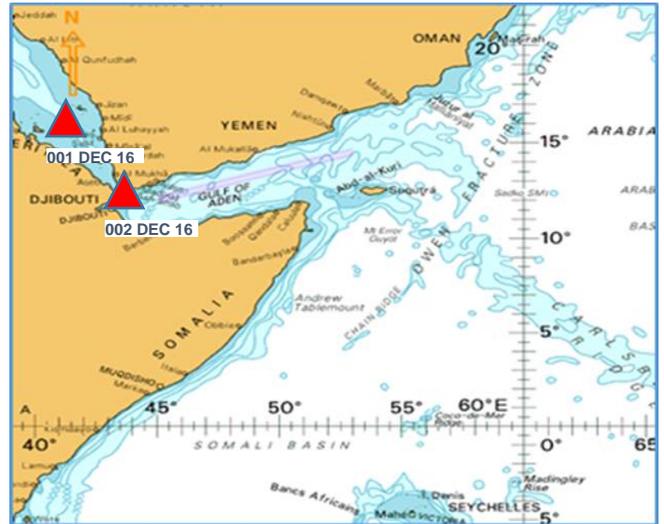
**Source:** Reported to UKMTO by email and phone.

002/DEC/2016

**Category:** Suspicious Approach

**Description:** On 221025ZDEC16 in position 12 40.8N 043 20.3E, an MV reported being approached by 2 high speed boat with 5 POB in each boat on the port and starboard quarter. The closest speed boat got to 0.3nm. MV sounded alarm, increased speed, and activated hoses. AST showed their weapons to the speed boat, and they then altered their course, and moved away. MV is safe.

**Source:** Reported to UKMTO by email and phone



## NOTES

Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices ring:  
0044 2392 222060 only, for further information.

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