



UKMTO

Weekly Report

18 – 24 Feb 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

Command Overview

1. There are no significant events to report this week.
2. Despite the suppression of Somali based piracy, the threat to shipping posed by spill over from regional conflicts demonstrates that the need to maintain an effective and coherent naval presence in the area remains. IMCMEX 2017 will demonstrate the Combined Maritime Forces commitment, capability and capacity to ensure maritime trade can flow unimpeded through the region (a). Meanwhile Britain recently strengthened its presence in the Gulf region as it took control of US Task Force 50 for the first time (b).
3. A recent report suggests many former Somali pirates have diversified their criminal activities and are now actively involved in the lucrative people smuggling and trafficking trade (c).
4. Open Source Media Articles of interest:
 - a. 19 Feb 17 - 'Maritime security through partnership' (IHS Jane's 360): <http://bit.ly/2IBdF3I>
 - b. 19 Feb 17 - 'British strengthen presence in Arabian Gulf' (The National UAE): <http://bit.ly/2IY3qXC>
 - c. 22 Feb 17 - 'Inside the deadly pirate corridor where migrants escape to Europe.' (Bloomberg Businessweek): <http://bit.ly/2mnFARd>
 - d. 23 Feb 17 - 'Gard Alert: Yemen – Port situation' (Hellenic shipping news): <http://bit.ly/2lfHH9v>



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 |
| Total | 8 | |

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

FUTURE EVENTS

| Date | Event | Location |
|------------------|--------|----------|
| 25 – 27 April 17 | SHADE | Bahrain |
| 18 May 17 | MIEVOM | Dubai |

LIAISON AND VISITS

Nil

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

[NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
[NATO Shipping Centre – Alert Details](#)
[MSCHOA](#)
[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)
www.marad.dot.gov/MSCI
www.ukmto.org

SHIPS BRIEFED

| Date | Location | Vessel |
|------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 19/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | FOUR TURANDOT |
| 19/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | RICKMERS NEW ORLEANS |
| 20/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | TORM EMILIE |
| 20/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | KOTA KAMIL |
| 20/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | GH SEABISCUIT |
| 21/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | EMMA MAERSK |
| 21/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | TZOUMAZ |
| 21/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | ESBJERG |
| 22/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | YAMABUKI |
| 22/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | AL MINUFIYAH |
| 22/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | DUBAI BRILLIANCE |
| 23/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | ALIGOTE |
| 23/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | WAN HAI 611 |
| 24/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | MSC HAMBURG |
| 24/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | JONATHAN SWIFT |
| 24/02/2017 | JEBEL ALI | SOUTHERN KOALA |