



# UKMTO

## Weekly Report

### 10 - 16 Jun 17

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

## Command Overview

1. UKMTO released one Advisory this week (see page 3).
2. It was reported to UKMTO on 13 Jun 17 that 4 skiffs were sighted, in the vicinity of the Bab-El-Mandeb Straits (BeM), with between 6 OR 7 personnel on-board. Skiffs approached the vessel at speed and followed for a period of time, Ref ADVISORY NOTICE 003/JUN/2017. Ship and crew are safe.
3. On 13 Jun 17 it has been reported that a ship was attacked by a missile fired in the Red Sea near the port of Al-Mokha, close to the BeM. Indications are this incident is linked with the Yemen conflict and was a targeted attack from ashore on a specific UAE military flagged vessel. Articles (a) and (b) refer.
4. There is reporting that the Combined Maritime Force will increase their number of ships in the BeM and to the Western side of the Gulf of Aden in response to the recent increase in incidents over the last 2/3 months. Articles (c) and (d) refer.
5. In light of this, and other recent incidents in the area, Masters may expect to see an increased warship presence in the BeM and as a precaution, should consider the following: maintain the farthest possible distance from the Yemen coast, transit the BeM during daylight hours, use the western TSS, increase speed, maintain vigilance and report any unusual activity to UKMTO. We urge all shipping to adhere to BMP4, including registration with Maritime Security Centre Horn of Africa (MSCHOA) and the submission of daily reports to UKMTO. This is in line with present extant guidance issued in Advisory 003/OCT/16.
6. Despite no apparent movement on the political situation with Qatar it would appear that it is business as normal for passage through the Suez Canal. Article (e) refers.
7. Open Source Media Articles of interest. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting:
  - a. 15 Jun 17 - One wounded in missile attack on UAE ship off Yemen, SPA reports - <http://bit.ly/2rBbnFu>
  - b. 14 Jun 17 - Yemen's Houthi rebels fire missile at Saudi-led warship in Red Sea - <http://bit.ly/2szXTsz>
  - c. 13 Jun 17 - Naval alliance boosts security in Bab Al Mandeb strait in response to Houthi attacks off Yemen - <http://bit.ly/2rVw6C9>
  - d. 13 Jun 17 - Somalia: Int'l Naval Coalition Step up Fight Against Somali Pirates - <http://bit.ly/2tcLSaC>
  - e. 13 Jun 17 - LNG tankers carrying gas from Qatar able to pass through Red Sea, Suez Canal - <http://bit.ly/2skIPjC>



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**ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED**

- (1) **Attacked**  
No incidents to report.
- (2) **Boarded**  
No incidents to report.
- (3) **Hijacked**  
No confirmed incidents

**Vessels & persons under pirate control**

Details of Vessel	No. Vessels held	No. Souls held	Date Taken
Merchant Vessels	0		
Dhows/Fishing Vessels	0	0	0
Dhow		8	26/03/15
Total	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	

**FUTURE EVENTS**

Date	Event	Location
21-22 Nov 17	SHADE	Bahrain
30 Nov 17	MIEVOM	Dubai

**LIAISON AND VISITS**

15 Jun 17 - Merwyn Louis Dias - Shell International Trading Middle East.

**ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

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

**SHIPS BRIEFED**

Date	Location	Vessel
11/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	SCOT HAMBURG
11/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK PROGRESS
12/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	EVER URSULA
12/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	OOCL AMERICA
12/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	EVER DIVINE
12/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	STOLT STRENGTH
12/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	BUSAN STAR
13/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	KOTA KARIM
13/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	BOW FLOWER
13/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	EDITH MAERSK
13/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	PERIDOT
13/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	CHEMSTAR YASU
14/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	SEASPAN LINGUE
14/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	COSCO AFRICA
14/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	JOLLY PALLADIO
14/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	CSL SOPHIE
15/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	MSC INDIA
15/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	AS CYPRIA
15/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	GRAECIA UNIVERSALIS
15/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN PRACTISE
15/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	INDUSTRIAL EDGE
16/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	MINGYUAN
16/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	CMA CGM PEGASUS
16/06/2017	JEBEL ALI	APL YANGSHAN

**WARNINGS**

No warnings issued this week.

**ADVISORIES**

**003/JUN/2017**

**Category:** Irregular activity

**Description:** At 1313350ZJUN17 a Merchant Vessel was approached by four skiffs with 6/7 POB in each skiff in PSN 1256.49N 04312.17E (Bab-el-Mandeb). Skiffs approached at speed and followed for 10 min CPA 0.5 NM. AST showed weapons and Skiffs dropped back. Vessel SAFE.

**NOTES**

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

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