



MDAT - GoG

Weekly Report 20-16

28th October – 04th November 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

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; that 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 Vessel Registration Area (VRA), also described on both security charts with the MDAT-GOG, using the email address watchkeepers@mdat-gog.org

Ships and CSO's are requested to be on alert from unknown persons claiming to be from Abidjan port control sent via email "port@health-station.org" requesting for ship and crew data (etc.), for administrative clearance.

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.

IN THIS ISSUE

Three incidents to report this week – **One sighting, one sea theft and one boarding.**

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.

Several distress calls on VHF have been reported WSW of Conakry at about 200Nm. It looks that this vessel is adrift since 23th October 2016. Information had been relayed to MRCC Dakar which had taken in account this event.

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location

**1 – NIGERIA (Akwa Ibom State):
Sighting on a boat around
04°31.00N / 007°43.00E**



On **01st November 2016**, around **17:40 UTC**,

A green speedboat powered with a 75hp engine carrying 6 armed men on board was sighted .

The speedboat was driving through the Edowik channel to the Atlantic Ocean.

No more information was or is available.

**2 – GHANA (Takoradi anchorage):
Sea theft on a merchant vessel
04°52.13'N / 001°39.35'W**



On **03rd November 2016**, at **03:15 UTC**,

A merchant ship anchored in Takoradi was boarded by at least one thief.

The vessel's crew challenged the would-be thief (thieves) who then escaped by jumping overboard and departing in his (their) boat.

Some broken locks were discovered, along with some missing paint drums.
Thief(ves) attempted to stole a rope too.

The ship has informed MDAT-GoG and the port authorities.

**3 – NIGERIA (Lagos anchorage):
Boarding on a merchant vessel
06°21.00N / 003°19.00E**



On **04rd November 2016, around 01:30 UTC,**

A merchant vessel has been boarded by 5 (possibly 7) persons.

Crew members went to the citadel.

Nigerian Navy and MRCC have been advised.

ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED		
(1) Attacked:		
Nil incidents		
(2) Boarded:		
One incident: See details on P3.		
(3) Hijacked:		
Nil Incidents		
(4) Robbery/Sea theft:		
One incident. See details on P2.		
(5) Sighting:		
One incident. See details on P2.		
Vessels / Crew under pirate control		
Merchant vessel		Personnel
Fishing vessel		Personnel
Other crew still held		Personnel
Total		Personnel

WARNINGS
One warning has been issued this week
001/NOV/16: Boarding on a merchant vessel (04NOV16)

ADVISORIES
One Advisory issued this week
001/NOV/16: Attempted Robbery on a merchant vessel (03NOV16) – Reclassified as sea theft.

NOTES
Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices ring: 0033 298 22 88 88 only, for further information.
THESE ADVISORIES are <u>not</u> Classified as a Maritime Security Events and have <u>not</u> 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.

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