



UKMTO

Weekly Report

10 – 16 Dec 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

## Command Overview

1. There are no significant events to report this week.

2. Today I present my first Weekly Report as Acting Officer-in-Charge of UKMTO Dubai, in doing so I would like to add my thanks to Cdr Peter Harriman and acknowledge the significant contribution he has made to both UKMTO and regional maritime security during his three years in charge of this unit. I will hold the position until the arrival of Lt Cdr Iain Beaton RNR in Apr 17.

3. This week the European Union marks eight years of commitment to deterring pirate attacks off the coast of Somalia and reaffirms the warning that there is no room for complacency (a), meanwhile NATO's decision to withdraw its warship's from the region is causing concern in some quarters (b). Two media articles feature a harrowing report by one of the recently released crew of the vessel Narham3 (c) and a soon to be aired documentary account of the abduction of British couple Paul and Rachel Chandler in 2009 (d), both draw attention to the human cost of piracy.

4. Open Source Media Articles of interest:

a. 15 Dec 16 – 'European Union marks eight years of counter piracy' (International Shipping News):

<http://bit.ly/2gQyBBX>

b. 16 Dec 16 – 'Piracy fears as NATO pulls ships from Indian Ocean' (Business Daily):

<http://bit.ly/2gQAVJ9>

c. 12 Dec 16 – 'Freed Chinese fisherman tells of time in hell as a hostage of pirates' (South China Morning Post): <http://bit.ly/2hAHT4o>

d. 12 Dec 16 – 'How long were the Chandlers held hostage?' (Bustle): <http://bit.ly/2gRv7xA>



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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
Total	8	

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
11/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	UNIMARINE
11/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC JOANNA
12/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC LA SPEZIA
12/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	JAOHAR EXPRESS
12/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	STAR JING
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC LAUREN
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	KYOTO STAR
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	BSLE VIVY
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	ATACAMA
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	ALIHURAS
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	RICKMERS ANTWERP
13/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MARY
14/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MARLIN AQUAMARINE
14/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	SMART TINA
14/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	KUMASI
15/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	CAPE TEES
15/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	PANAGIA STENION
15/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC ELOANE
15/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	CHEMSTAR YASU
15/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	GRAND ACE 7
16/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	MARITIME YUAN
16/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	KING DEEB
16/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	RICHARD RICKMERS
16/12/2016	JEBEL ALI	BIENDONG MELODY