



UKMTO

Weekly Report

20 - 26 Feb 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

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Command Overview

1. This week’s main chart illustrates a two monthly roundup of ‘low level’ sightings reported in the Eastern IRTC. Although probing approaches by pirate gangs can never be ruled out it would appear that these sightings are normal Pattern of Life (POL) and can be attributed to recent improved weather conditions and sea state in the area which is allowing Yemeni fishing boats to transit to the Socotra fishing grounds. The chart below shows in more detail, POL reports received from the area this week.



2. Improved Governance in Somalia has been a significant contributory factor in the suppression of pirate related crime off the coast of Somali (a), however some Somali pirates may be diversifying their activity by providing protection to foreign vessels fishing illegally within Somali territorial waters (b).

3. Open Source Media Articles of interest:

a. 27 Feb 16 – ‘Somalia has less piracy due to improved governance’ (Coastweek.com):

<http://bit.ly/1TwjiNm>

b. 23 Feb 16 – ‘The link between illegal fishing and piracy in Somalia’ (Horseed Media):

<http://bit.ly/1LckCQe>



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	43	Personnel
Other crew still held	0	Personnel
Total	43	
Vessel name		Date
FV Naham 3	26	03/03/12
Dhow Siraj	17	26/03/15

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
12 - 13 Apr 16	SHADE	Bahrain
21 Apr 16	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

Nil

Alternative Sources of Information (web links)

[NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
[NATO Shipping Centre – Alert Details](#)
[Weekly Assessment](#)
[Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)
[MSCHOA](#)
[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
[Maritime Liaison Office \(MARLO\)](#)
[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)
[Maritime Trade Information Sharing Centre Gulf of Guinea](#)

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
21/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	CATAMARCA
21/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	CSAV TOCONAO
22/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	ALPINE MONIQUE
23/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	RUBY
23/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	EM ASTORIA
23/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	MALLECO
24/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	ATHENA TRIUMPH
24/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	APL SAVANNAH
24/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN MAJESTIC
24/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	ARUNDEL CASTLE
24/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	COSCO VIETNAM
24/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	FRISIA GOTEBOG
25/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	KOTA LEKAS
25/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	TAROKO
25/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	YM MANDATE
26/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	DENITA WAVE
26/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	BALABAN
26/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	LISSY SCHULTE
26/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	UACC IBM AL HAITHAM
26/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	PAC STAR
26/02/2016	JEBEL ALI	HANJIN PORT KELANG