



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 11-17

10th – 17th March 2017

INCIDENT DISPOSITION
IN THIS ISSUE

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, these 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 Voluntary Reporting Area (VRA), also described on both security charts with the MDAT-GOG, using the email address watchkeepers@mdat-gog.org

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.

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.

Two events reported to MDAT-GoG this week, which were classified as false alarms.

MDAT – GoG reports are primarily based upon information sent by vessels using the Voluntary Reporting scheme. Masters and CSOs are encouraged to report as early as possible, events or sightings with as much detail as possible to allow MDAT-GOG to initiate the appropriate response. Sometimes incomplete reports cause delay to the issue of warnings and our ability to contact Local Navy assets for assistance.

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- [Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service \(SHOM\)](#)
- [Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)
- [United Kingdom Hydrographic Office \(UKHO\)](#)
- [IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location



Date	Type	Rge/Brg from nearest shore	Summary of event
10/03/2017	False alarm	110NM/SOUTH from TEMA/GHANA	On 10 th March 2017 at around 18:10Zhrs, in position 04°00N / 000°22E, a merchant vessel spotted two long fast boats at a distance of 6NM. Merchant vessel started engine and sailed by full speed. Fast boat then stopped proceeding. MDAT-GoG Comments: After investigations, MDAT-GoG had not enough information to classify this activity as an illegal act.
11/03/2017	False alarm	7NM/SOUTH from LOME/TOGO	On 11 th March 2017 at around 02:00Zhrs in position 05°59N / 001°13E, a merchant vessel anchored off Lome, Togo, spotted six suspicious small boats approaching her. Even the fact that small boats were not fitted with nets, it appeared that small boats were fishing vessels. MDAT-GoG Comments: After investigations, MDAT-GoG had not enough information to classify this activity as an illegal act.

WEEKLY EVENTS

- (1) **Hijack:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (2) **Boarded – Boarding attempt:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (3) **Attack:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (4) **Robbery – Sea theft:**
Nil incidents to report
- (5) **Suspicious approach**
Nil incidents to report.
- (6) **Sighting – Irregular activity**
Nil incidents to report.

WARNINGS

Nil WARNINGS have been issued this week.

ADVISORIES

Nil ADVISORIES have been issued this week.

CONTACT

Contact the MDAT-GoG:
E-mail: watchkeepers@mdat-gog.org
Phone : +33 (0) 2 98 22 88 88 (emergency)
Phone : +33 (0) 2 98 22 13 02 (exercise)
Phones and mails are monitored 24/7.

NOTES

Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices ring: 0033 298 22 88 88 only, for further information. ADVISORIES are not Classified as a Maritime Security Event and have not 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.