



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 05-18

26th January – 02nd February 2018

INCIDENT DISPOSITION	IN THIS ISSUE
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OVERVIEW

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. 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.

Details 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

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.

Fair winds and following seas!

Two events have been reported to MDAT-GoG this week.

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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



Weekly events

- ★ Hijack - Kidnap - Attack
- ★ Robbery - Theft - Boarding
- ★ Suspicious approach
Irregular activity
- ★ Miscellaneous

Date	Type	Brg/Rge from nearest shore	Summary of event
27/01/18	BOARDING ATTEMPT	190°/5NM from Lagos, NIGERIA	At 00:01Zhrs in position 06°18N – 003°20E, an attempt was made to board a merchant vessel. Duty team raised alarm and man left the vessel empty handed. Crew and vessel are safe. Nothing was reported stolen. Boarding failed. MDAT-GoG comment: This event refers to Advisory 005/JAN/18.
01/02/18	POSSIBLE HIJACK	140°/6NM from Cotonou, BENIN	At 04:00Zhrs in position 06°16N-002°30E, a merchant tanker was reported missing from Cotonou anchorage. No contact has been established with the ship. MDAT-GoG comment: This event refers to Advisory 001/FEB/18

WEEKLY EVENTS

- (1) Hijack - Kidnap:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (2) Boarding – Boarding attempt:**
One incident to report. See details on P2.
- (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:**
One incident to report. See details on P2.

WARNINGS

No WARNING issued this week.

ADVISORIES

Two ADVISORY issued this week.

005/JAN/18: Boarding on merchant vessel, issued on 27th January.
001/FEB/18: Probable hijack of a tanker, issued on 02nd February.

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 mail 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 Events 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.