



UKMTO

Weekly Report

28 May – 3 Jun 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

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Command Overview

1. The Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS) convened in Victoria, Mahe, Seychelles 31 May 16 – 3 Jun 16 for the 19th Plenary session. One of the big questions posed was whether the international community still needed a Contact Group on piracy in light of the reduction in incidents off the coast of Somalia (a), options discussed in response to this question plus a daily summary of CGPCS activities and meeting conclusion can be found on the Lessons from Piracy web-site (g).
2. CTF 151 under the command of the Republic of Singapore Navy will be conducting Focused Op (FO) 'Vigilant Lion' in the Gulf of Aden from 3 – 10 Jun 16. The aim of the FO is to: reassure merchant shipping and fishery communities, improve the understanding of the local pattern of life and enhance operational and tactical cooperation with other regional counter-piracy forces. During the FO CTF 151 units will be conducting maritime security calls and it is recommended that merchant vessels transiting the region cooperate wherever possible.
3. Open Source Media Articles of interest:
 - a. 31 May 16 - 'A riddle: If pirate attacks drop to zero, should Contact Group on Piracy still exist?' (Seychelles News Agency): <http://bit.ly/1srpnxg>
 - b. 1 Jun 16 - 'Somali Piracy – six months since reduction of High Risk Area in western Indian Ocean' (MAST): <http://bit.ly/1t5zs3x>
 - c. 1 Jun 16 - 'Pirate hunter refuses to leave India jail for Scotland – because he'd have to admit he was guilty' (Press and Journal): <http://bit.ly/1P9eDbJ>
 - d. 2 Jun 16 - 'Transnational organized crime and maritime piracy' (Horseed Media): <http://bit.ly/25E6Mja>
 - e. 2 Jun 16 - 'Combined Maritime Forces enjoys further success' (Combined Maritime Forces): <http://bit.ly/1TZc9RI>
 - f. 3 Jun 16 - 'Piracy and armed robbery off Nigerian coast at record high: Piracy at sea 21% higher than 2008 peak' (Hellenic Shipping news/Control Risks): <http://bit.ly/1O7f2R4>
 - g. 3 Jun 16 - 'Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS) 19th plenary session - daily summary' (Lessons from Piracy): <http://bit.ly/1GQ6iYe>



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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	40	Personnel
Other crew still held	0	Personnel
Total	40	

Vessel name		Date taken
FV Naham 3	26	03/03/12
Dhow Siraj	14 ¹	26/03/15

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
29 – 30 Nov 16	SHADE	Bahrain
8 Dec 16	MIEVOM	Dubai

LIAISON AND VISITS

29 May 16 – Cdr Ian Pears, Terry Gibson NCHQ IS

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](#)
[Maritime Trade Information Sharing Centre Gulf of Guinea](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

SHIPS BRIEFED

Date	Location	Vessel
29/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC BEATRICE
29/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	CEZANNE
29/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	RHONA
30/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC RITA
30/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN GLORY
30/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	BBC VIRGINIA
30/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	BEDFORD CASTLE
30/05/2016	TELECON	SEA PRINCESS
31/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	SILVER GWEN
31/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK GEORGIA
31/05/2016	JEBEL ALI	ARVIKA
01/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	MSC ALTAIR
01/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	KOTA CARUM
01/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	HOEGH TRANSPORTER
01/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	MERSINI
01/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	YM MOBILITY
01/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	EMPEROR
02/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	MAERSK TAIKUNG
02/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	TG APHRODITE
02/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	APL COLUMBUS
02/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	SARWAR JAHAN
02/06/2016	JEBEL ALI	IKAN JAHAN
03/06/2016	MINA SAQR	ALAM MULIA
03/06/2016	MINA SAQR	IVS HIRONO
03/06/2016	MINA SAQR	LIBERTY PRRUDENCIA

¹ Figures for FV Siraj revised from 17 to 14 (source: UNODC HSP).