



MDAT - GoG

Weekly Report 10-16

20th – 26th August 16

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

Overview

1. Three incidents have been reported during this period. Two robbery attempted (in Pointe Noire) and one attack against bulk carrier anchored in Conakry. Advisory 002/AUG. Details on Page 2.
2. Additionally, a suspicious approach was reported, south Cotonou. Advisory 003/AUG.
3. Ships Masters / CSOs are invited to report to MDAT-GoG any incident or suspect activity.
4. Masters and CSOs are reminded that scamming emails and phishing remain a threat in the GoG maritime area.

ATTACKED, BOARDED OR HI-JACKED

(1) Attacked:

One incident

(2) Boarded:

Nil incidents

(3) Hijacked:

Nil Incidents

(4) Robbery:

Two Incidents

Vessels / Crew under pirate control

Merchant vessel		Personnel
Fishing vessel		Personnel
Other crew still held		Personnel
Total		Personnel

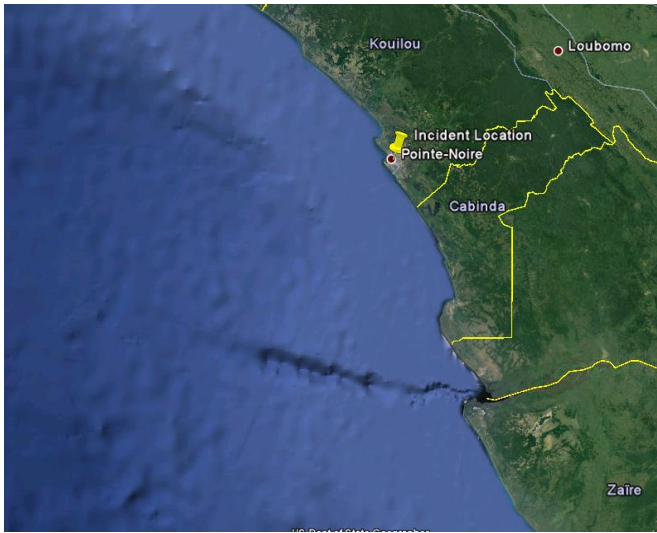
ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

[Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service \(SHOM\)](#)
[NATO Maritime Command \(MARCOM\)](#)
[NATO Shipping Centre – Alert Details](#)
[NATO Shipping Centre – Piracy Update](#)
[Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)
[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)
[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office \(UKHO\)](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

FUTURE EVENTS

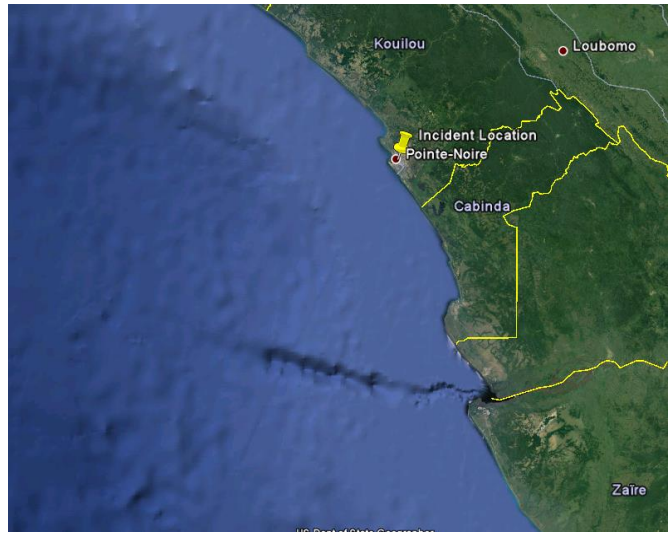
Date	Event	Location
August	Presidential election	Cape Verde / Gabon

**1 – Congo (Pointe Noire Anchorage) :
Robbery attempt on an anchored barge
(04°44N / 011°49E)**



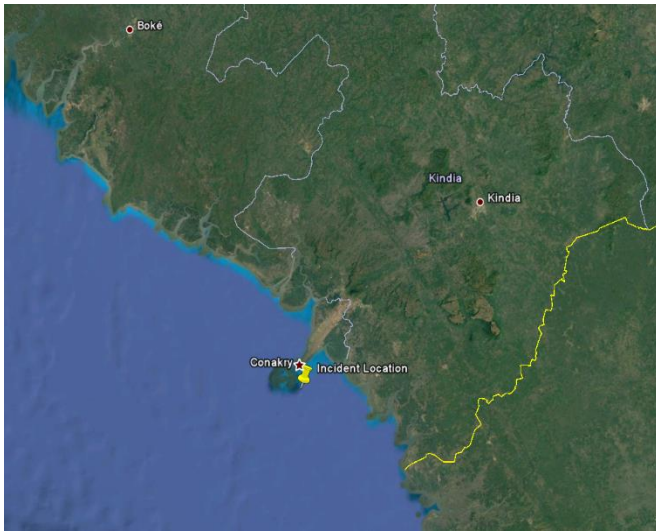
On Friday 19th August 2016 at 22h45 LT. Two robbers boarded a barge anchored in Point Noire. They were spotted by the officer on watch. Alarms and fog horn were raised. Thieves escaped in a non motorized pirogue. All crew members are safe.

**2 – Congo (Pointe Noire Anchorage) :
Robbery attempt on an anchored tanker
(04°45N / 011°48E)**



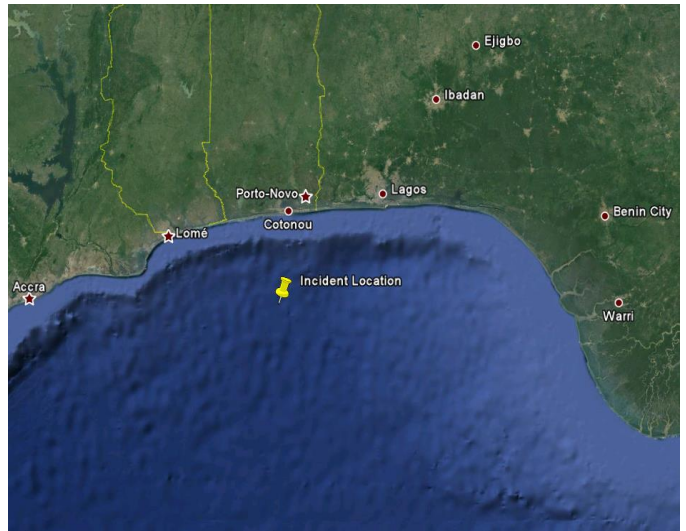
On Sunday 22th August 2016 at 02h00 LT three bandits came with a motorized pirogue. Two boarded without being spotted, the deck watch man was at the stern. When he turned back toward the front, he saw two robbers and the forecastle panel open. He called the bridge by UHF portable and OOW raised the alert by sounding the general alarm. As soon as , the crew came out , the two robbers jumped overboard and came away empty handed with the pirogue that was driven by the third robber. The captaincy was immediately informed of the offence by VHF. Found that the forecastle's panel padlock was broken but nothing has been stolen.

3 – Guinea (Conakry) :
Attack against bulk carrier anchored at
Conakry (09°24N / 013°43W)



On Wednesday 24th August 2016 around 0110 LT: in position 09 24.85N - 013 43.32W , 5.5 South of Conakry , Guinea
 Seven pirates armed with automatic guns and knives boarded a bulk carrier. Deck watch keepers were taken hostage and beaten. Pirates took ship's properties, vessel's cash and personal belongings. Pirates left at 0145 LT .
 Chief Off and an AB were wounded.
 No further details available.

4 – Benin (south Cotonou) :
Suspicious approach (05°30N / 002°20W)



On Wednesday 24th August 2016 around 10 50 LT: in position 05°30.48N – 002°20.36 E ,Suspicious approach 50NM south Cotonou .A bulk carrier was followed by a small craft located at 2 Nm for 25 minutes before to move away.

WARNINGS
Nil warnings have been issued this week

ADVISORIES
Two Advisories issued this week
Advisory 002/AUG/2016 Attack Advisory 003/AUG/2016 Suspicious approach

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

NOTES
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