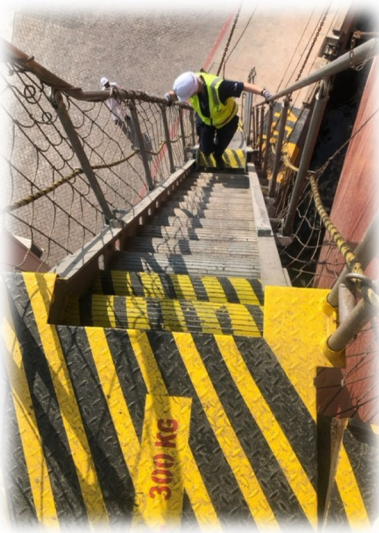


Weekly Report: 4 to 11 January 2023



Return to Work. UKMTO (Dubai) have returned to Ships' briefings after the seasonal and new year holiday period, with Anne McGarva counting every one of this accommodation ladder's 82 steps. Our thanks to the Masters of GUOHAILIAN 98 and MP KAMSARMAX 1 for taking the time to listen to our briefs and for joining in today's picture parade.

Warnings, Advisories and Notices

Please see below a list of all recent and extant UKMTO warnings, advisories and notices. Full details can be found on the website: UKMTO. UKMTO is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.

Warnings		
Number	Category	Remarks
No new Warnings were issued this week		

Advisories		
Number	Category	Remarks
No new Advisories were issued this week		

Notices		
Number	Category	Remarks
003/DEC/2022	Military Exercise	Cancel this notice 311800UTC JAN 2023

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Open Source Media Articles

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1. EU: Extension of naval operation against piracy off Somalia until 2024

The mandate of EUCAP Somalia and EU Naval Force Operation ATALANTA, one of the EU's executive military maritime operations, will now run until 31 December 2024. The decision was taken following the holistic strategic review of CSDP engagement in Somalia and the Horn of Africa with the aim to consolidate and strengthen the EU's response to an evolving security context and enhance its role as a maritime security provider.

9 Jan 23 - Safety4Sea: <https://bit.ly/3QuSiN2>

6 Jan 23 - Maritime Executive: <https://bit.ly/3GPcaGD>

5 Jan 23 - gCaptain: <https://bit.ly/3vSPTfs>

2. CTF Sentinel continues Sairdrone tests in the Gulf

The U.S. Navy and its partners in the International Maritime Security Construct (IMSC) continue to test out drone sailing vessels for use in patrol and surveillance work in the Gulf, where maritime domain awareness is critical for ensuring security at sea. During the IMSC's most recent exercise, the crew of the destroyer USS *Delbert D. Black* worked with the IMSC's Combined Task Force Sentinel command center in Bahrain to operate two Sairdrones while on patrol. Using sensors on the drones and advanced AI systems, the crew was able to find and identify targets and relay a video feed back to watchstanders on board.

9 Jan 23 - Maritime Executive: <https://bit.ly/3vVJF4E>

3. IMSC completes three-day exercise in Arabian Gulf

The International Maritime Security Construct (IMSC) completed a three-day maritime exercise in the Arabian Gulf, Jan. 9, integrating unmanned systems and artificial intelligence during a naval drill for the second time in six months. "We planned this exercise to demonstrate how artificial intelligence and unmanned systems effectively increase CTF Sentinel's maritime domain awareness to maintain maritime security in Middle Eastern waters," said Royal Saudi Navy Capt. Alamri Assem, CTF Sentinel's director of plans.

9 Jan 23 - Naval Technology: <https://bit.ly/3VZtoXf>

9 Jan 23 - America's Navy: <https://bit.ly/3Grpf8J>

4. French Warship seizes illegal drugs in North Arabian Sea

A French warship seized illegal drugs worth a total estimated U.S. street value of \$24 million from a fishing vessel transiting international waters in the North Arabian Sea, Dec. 27. French Marine Nationale frigate FS Guépratte (F714) was patrolling regional waters in support of Combined Task Force (CTF) 150 when it seized 3,492 kilograms of hashish and 472 kilograms of heroin from the fishing vessel.

5 Jan 23 - Naval Today: <https://bit.ly/3X3qUIO>

3 Jan 23 - Combined Maritime Forces (CMF): <https://bit.ly/3ZufVK0>

Engagement and Visits

1. **Engagement.** OiC, Dougie Bell met with Mr Darren Brooks from the ExxonMobil Global Security Middle East and North Africa (MENA) team on Tue 10 Jan. On Fri 13 Jan Dougie will meet with Captain Andrias Smith of NYK Line, Area Marine Representative for the Middle East.

2. **UKMTO (Dubai) Office - Visits, Briefings & Maritime Security Briefings.** To contact our Dubai office, arrange an office visit, request a briefing on UKMTO or request a regional Maritime Security Brief please contact Lt Cdr Dougie Bell RN by telephone: +971 (0)501 898 389 or email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org. Please note that any emails received between 13:00UTC on Friday afternoon and 04:00UTC on Monday morning, may not be actioned before 04:00UTC on Monday.

3. **Urgent and Short-Notice Briefing Requirements.** Security Officers and Masters should contact the Duty UKMTO Officer on: +971 (0)50 559 3983 who will be able to arrange urgent and/ or short-notice briefings that fall outside of the above times.

Maritime Security Briefs

Date	Location	Vessel
11 Jan 2023	JEBEL ALI	MSC VIVIANA
11 Jan 2023	JEBEL ALI	JAG AARATI
11 Jan 2023	JEBEL ALI	GUO HAILIAN 98
11 Jan 2023	JEBEL ALI	MP KAMSARMAX1
11 Jan 2023	JEBEL ALI	COSCO HAMBURG
11 Jan 2023	JEBEL ALI	NAVE ANDROMEDA

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Additional Sources of Information

[United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations \(UKMTO\)](#)

[Maritime Security Centre Horn of Africa \(MSCHOA\)](#)

[International Maritime Security Construct \(IMSC\)](#)

[International Maritime Bureau \(IMB\) Live Piracy Reports](#)

[United States Dept of Transportation Maritime Administration](#)

[Combined Maritime Forces \(CMF\)](#)

[Maritime Global Security](#)

[Oil Companies International Marine Forum \(OCIMF\)](#)

[Middle East Navigation Aids Service \(MENAS\)](#)

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