



OCTOBER PIRACY STATISTICS 2016

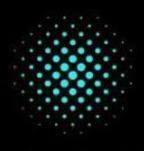












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| CW ALERT | 03/10/16 | 0650 LT | GENERAL | 14° 01. 22 N | 042° 49. 37 E |
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| 001 | | | ALERT | | |

The UKMTO have released an advisory of a suspicious approach towards a vessel whilst underway in the Bab el Mandeb. The approaching skiff was described as having a black hull and with six persons on board who were wearing black and white clothing and armed with up to four weapons. They approached within 2 Cables of the reporting vessel. The embarked armed security team displayed their weapons resulting in the skiff aborting the approach.

| CW ALERT | 06/10/16 | UNKNOWN | GENERAL | 13° 06. 00 N | 043° 08. 00 E |
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| 003 | | | ALERT | | |

The UKMTO have released an advisory stating that it was reported there was a vessel on fire in the Bab el Mandeb on the 01.10.2016. Indications are now showing that this incident is linked with the conflict in Yemen and was a targeted attack from ashore, the attacked vessel was UAE flagged. Following this incident, Masters can expect to see an increased coalition warship presence in the Bab el Mandeb straits as a precaution. Masters are advised to maintain the farthest possible distance from the Yemen coast, transit the Bab el Mandeb straits during daylight hours, use the western TSS, increase speed, maintain vigilance and report any unusual activity to UKMTO and Clearwater 24hr Operations Centre.

| CW ALERT | 09/10/16 | UNKNOWN | GENERAL | 13° 40. 00 N | 043° 03. 00 E |
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| 004 | | | ALERT | | |

The UKMTO have released a report stating that a US Navy guided missile destroyer was a target in a failed missile attack. The US Navy vessel was operating off the coast of Yemen in the Red Sea. This failed attack follows recent reports of continued conflict in Yemen.

Piracy Attack Suspicious Vessels Robbery Hijacking General Alert Caution

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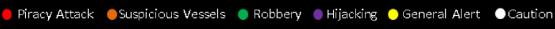


| CW ALERT | 22/10/16 | 0555 UTC | GENERAL | 4° 28. 06 N | 053° 22. 12 E |
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| 015 | | | ALERT | | |

Clearwater has received a report that an unknown merchant vessel was approached by a blue hulled speedboat with five to six persons on board, approximately 300nm off of the Somali coast. As the suspicious vessel approached to within 2 cables, the on board security team fired warning shots. The security team have alleged that the occupants of the speedboat returned fire before departing.

| CW ALERT | 25/10/16 | 1026 UTC | PIRATE | 12° 32. 36 N | 043° 32. 48 E |
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| 018 | | | ATTACK | | |

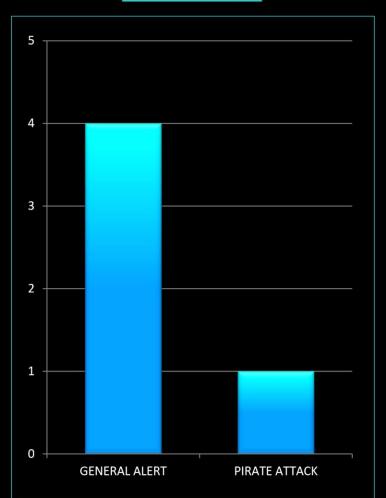
A Master of a tanker has reported to the UKMTO that his vessel was attacked whilst underway in the southern area of the Bab el Mandeb. The tanker was being approached when a RPG was fired at the tanker. The damage to the tanker is currently unknown but the report has stated that all crew are safe and the vessel is continuing on her voyage.



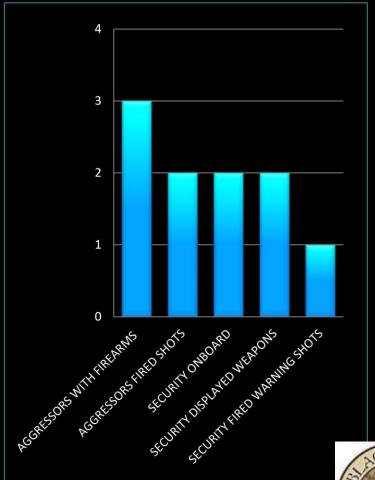




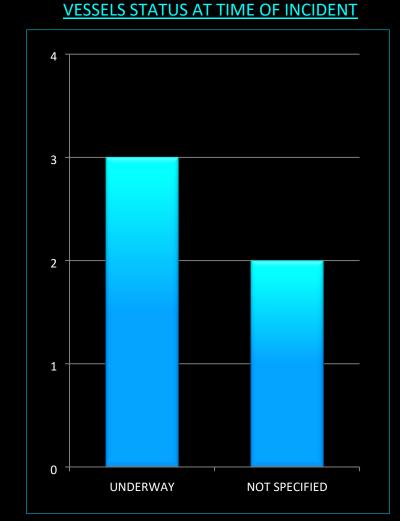
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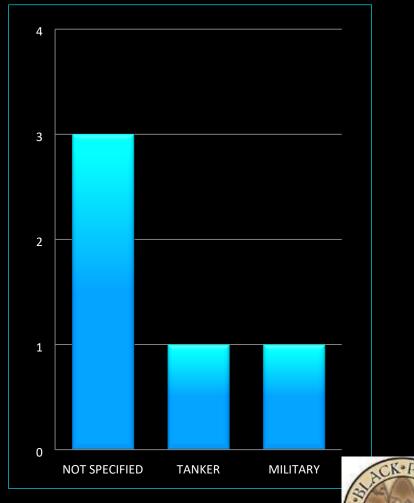
DETAILS OF INCIDENT







VESSEL TYPE INVOLVED IN INCIDENTS







SOUTHEAST ASIA







| CW ALERT 002 | 02/10/16 | 0515 LT | ROBBERY | 5° 29. 42 S | 105° 17. 18 E |
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| 002 | | | | | |

It has been reported that three robbers in a wooden boat approached and boarded an anchored bulk carrier. The duty crew spotted the robbers and notified the bridge. The robbers fled away empty handed after hearing the duty crew reporting via vhf radio. All crew mustered and a search being carried out. The incident was reported to port control.

| CW ALERT | 12/10/16 | 0255 LT | ROBBERY | 1° 42. 30 N | 101° 29. 18 E |
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| 009 | | | | | |

It has been reported that a robbery has occurred on a bulk carrier whilst anchored in Dumai Anchorage, Indonesia. A total of four robbers armed with knives boarded the vessel and took a crew member hostage, they tied him up and threatened him. Before escaping the robbers stole ship's property from the engine room. This incident was reported to Dumai Port Control.

| CW ALERT | 12/10/16 | 0300 LT | ROBBERY | 10° 16. 10 N | 107° 03. 29 E |
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| 010 | | | | | |

It has been reported that robbers boarded a bulk carrier whilst anchored in Vung Tau Anchorage, Vietnam. Three robbers were seen on board by on duty crew who confronted the robbers and raised the alarm. This resulted in the robbers escaping empty handed. This incident was reported to the Vung Tau Port Control.







| | 20/10/16 | 0400 LT | ROBBERY | 1° 42. 45 N | 101° 27. 52 E |
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| 014 | | | | | |

A report has been issued stating that an unknown number of robbers managed to board a tanker whilst at anchor. They stole engine spares and escaped undetected. The theft was discovered when crew carried out routine rounds. The incident was reported to Port Control. No response has been received.

| CW ALERT | 20/10/16 | 1400 LT | PIRATE | 4° 32. 54 N | 119° 33. 30 E |
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| 016 | | | ATTACK | | |

It has been reported that the heavy load carrier, Dongbang Giant 2 was boarded by an unknown number of armed pirates. The pirates, who allegedly identified themselves as members of the Abu Sayyaf militant group, kidnapped the Korean Captain of the vessel, as well as a Filipino crewman. They then made their escape in a speedboat, allowing the Dongbang Giant 2 and the rest of the crew to continue on their course. The vessel was then boarded and secured by the Philippines authorities who were able to interview all witnesses on board. The two kidnapped crew members are still unaccounted for. **UPDATE:** The IMB have now confirmed that six armed persons boarded the heavy load carrier. The vessel's SSAS alert was activated and all non-essential crew were able to retreat to the ship's citadel. As well as kidnapping the two crew members, the armed pirates also stole the crew's personal belongings. The IMB Piracy Reporting Centre informed the Philippine and Malaysian authorities regarding the incident. The Philippine authorities indicated that a naval vessel had responded and was able to board and secure the vessel.







| | 25/10/16 | 1100 LT | GENERAL | 22° 12. 31 N | 090° 33. 13 E |
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| 019 | | | ALERT | | |

Due to a recent attack and kidnapping on the 20.10.2016 in the vicinity of Sibutu Island, Philippines the IMB are advising ships to avoid this area and to consider using the route west of Kalimantan, west side of Sabah and Sarawak instead.

| CW ALERT | 27/10/16 | 2030 LT | ROBBERY | 4° 08. 48 S | 112° 30. 00 E |
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| 021 | | | | | |

It has been reported that robbers managed to board a tugboat 62nm off Bintulu Port. The robbers who were armed with machetes ransacked the tug boat stealing the tugboat's communication system and the crew's personal belongings. The tugboat was towing a barge, which had a cargo of palm oil, was also boarded and the palm oil was transferred to the robbers boat along with diesel from the tugboat. The local authorities were informed of this incident by the owner of the vessel who reported that they had lost communication with the vessel. The Tugboat and barge were located and escorted to a safe port for an investigation to be carried out. All crew members are reported to be safe with no injuries.

| CW ALERT | 24/10/16 | 1500 LT | ROBBERY | 6° 45. 48 N | 117° 40. 24 E |
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| 025 | | | | | |

It has been reported that six armed robbers boarded a fishing vessel and demanded cash. As there was no money on board, the robbers fled with the vessel's catch, diesel and communications equipment. The Master has informed local authorities regarding the incident. All crew members are reported to be safe with no injuries.







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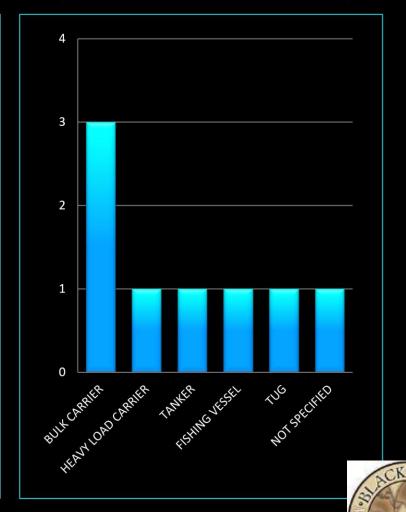
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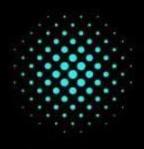
VESSEL TYPE INVOLVED IN INCIDENTS



UNDERWAY

NOT SPECIFIED





AMERICAS







CW ALERT 06/10/16 0412 LT ROBBERY 12° 01.06 S 077° 11. 12 W 008

It has been reported that a robbery occurred on a general cargo ship whist anchored in Callao Anchorage, Peru. The robbers managed to board, steal ship's property and then escape unnoticed. The theft was discovered when a duty AB was carrying out routine rounds. This incident was reported to Port Control.

CW ALERT 14/10/16 0245 LT 12° 00. 15 S 077° 10. 14 W ROBBERY 012

It has been reported that four robbers in a small boat, came alongside an anchored general cargo ship. Duty crew were alerted to the four masked robbers attempting to board and raised the alarm. The alerted crew were able to activate the ship's fire hoses, which resulted in the robbers aborting their attempt to board the vessel and escaping.

CW ALERT 21/10/16 0400 LT ROBBERY 12° 02. 00 S 077° 31. 30 W 020

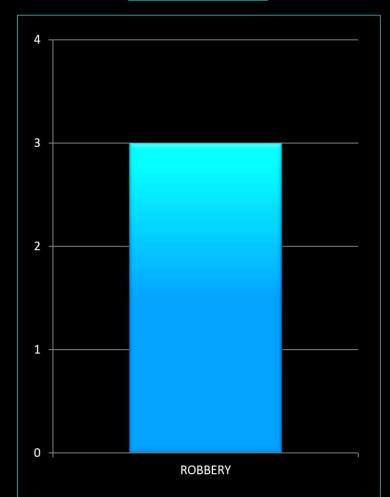
It has been reported that robbers boarded an anchored product tanker whilst undertaking bunkering operations. The robbers were able to steal ships properties and escape unnoticed. Duty crew discovered the theft whilst conducting routine rounds. The incident was reported to the local police.



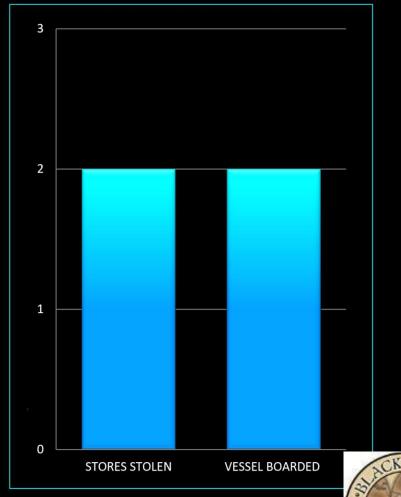
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Robbery
Hijacking
General Alert
Caution



TYPE OF INCIDENT

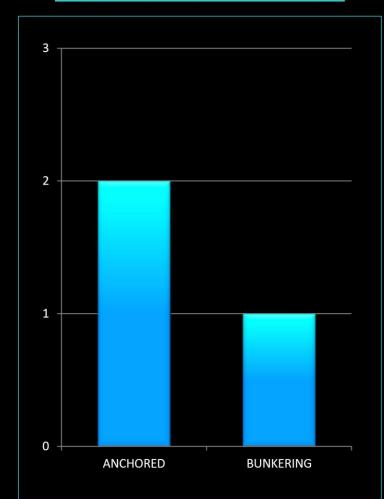


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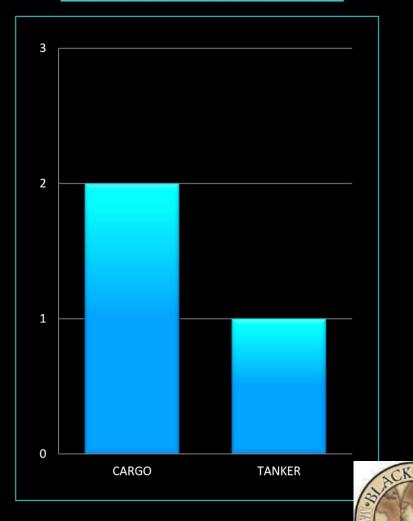




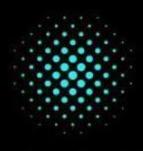
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WEST AFRICA



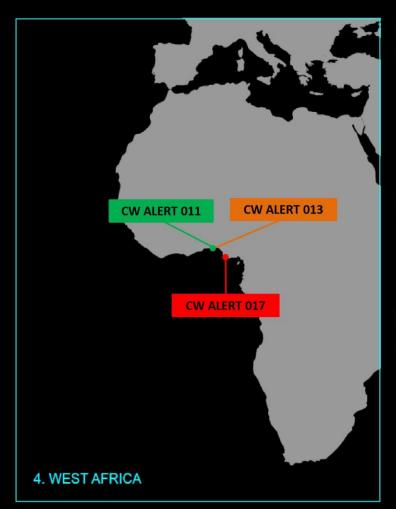




WEST AFRICA







| CW ALERT | 14/10/16 | 2350 LT | ROBBERY | 06° 25. 54 N | 003° 22. 48 E |
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| 011 | | | | | |

It has been reported that a car carrier was approached by a small boat with three persons on board whilst in Apapa Port, Lagos. The three robbers boarded the lower side ramp on the starboard quarter. The Master ordered the general alarm to be sounded and activated the anti-piracy hoses. The crew moved toward the stern ramp and directed flashlights at the robbers. The three robbers jumped into the water and boarded their own boat before making another attempt to board the vessel. Realising the crew were stationed at the stern they aborted their second attempt and moved away. Master reported to the Pilot who called Lagos Port Control to report the incident.

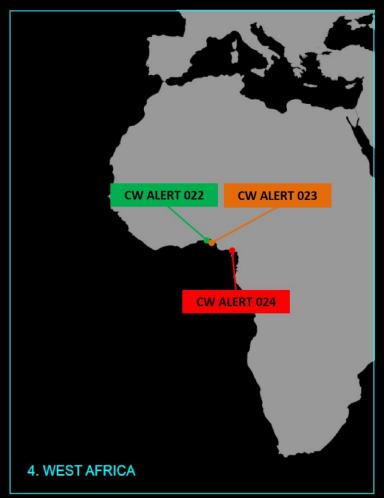
| CW ALERT | 18/10/16 | 0200 LT | SUSPICIOUS | 06° 19. 18 N | 003° 22. 27 E |
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| 013 | | | VESSELS | | |

It has been reported that a small wooden boat approached a tanker whilst 4.5nm offshore Lagos. Once the crew spotted the boat approaching the ship's whistle was sounded and the fire hoses were activated. The small boat which had three persons on board approached to within three metres and also had ropes with hooks on board.

| CW ALERT | 18/10/16 | UNKNOWN | PIRATE | 05° 08. 25 N | 005° 24. 37 E |
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| 017 | | | ATTACK | | |

It has been reported that an unknown number of armed pirates attacked an inland motor tanker. The Operation Delta Safe (ODS) Joint Military Force were able to intervene. Following an exchange of fire between the pirates and the ODS, the pirates were killed. **UPDATE:** Further reports state that the armed pirates attacked the vessel from a motor boat. The crew were able to raise the alarm, notify the Nigerian navy and secure themselves in the tanker's engine room. When the Nigerian troops arrived, an exchange of fire took place and it is reported that all seven suspected pirates were killed





| CW ALERT | 26/10/16 | 2225 LT | ROBBERY | 06° 20. 00 N | 003° 20. 00 E |
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| 022 | | | | | |

It has been reported that an attempted robbery occurred on a tanker whilst anchored in Lagos anchorage. One robber managed to board the tanker but once he was spotted by the on duty crew and the alarm being raised the robber jumped overboard. The Master did raise a distress call on VHF Ch16. The robber was seen leaving in a wooden speedboat.

| CW ALERT | 25/10/16 | 0910 LT | SUSPICIOUS | 06° 15. 30 N | 003° 21. 48 E |
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| 023 | | | VESSELS | | |

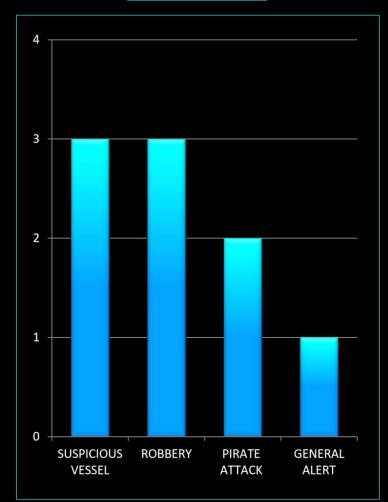
A report has been issued stating that a merchant vessel was approached by two speed boats. The first had a red hull and 2 persons on board and the second a blue hull with 3 persons on board. All persons on board wore life jackets. No weapons or trip wires were sighted on either boat. The merchant vessel sounded its General alarm continuously and started the water hoses. All crew retreated and secured themselves in the citadel as the vessel then headed at full speed toward a nearby patrol boat but the speed boats did not follow although they managed to get within 3 cables off the port side. The patrol boat attempted to chase the speed boats away.

| CW ALERT | 30/10/16 | UNKNOWN | PIRATE | 04° 33. 50 N | 007° 56. 05 W |
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| 024 | | | ATTACK | | |

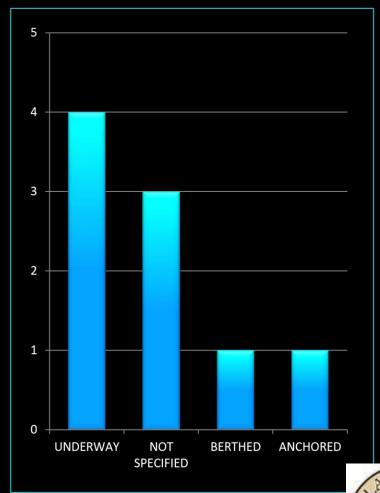
It has been reported that a local fishing trawler was attacked by pirates resulting in the kidnapping one of the crew members. The attackers are reported to be demanding a ransom for the victims release. No further information is currently available. Clearwater will continue to monitor the incident and will update as information becomes available. **UPDATE:** It has now been reported that four crew members were kidnapped during this attack.



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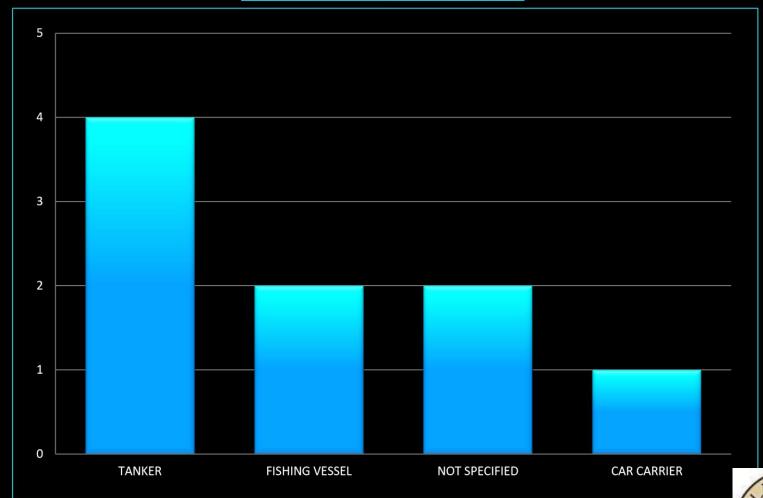


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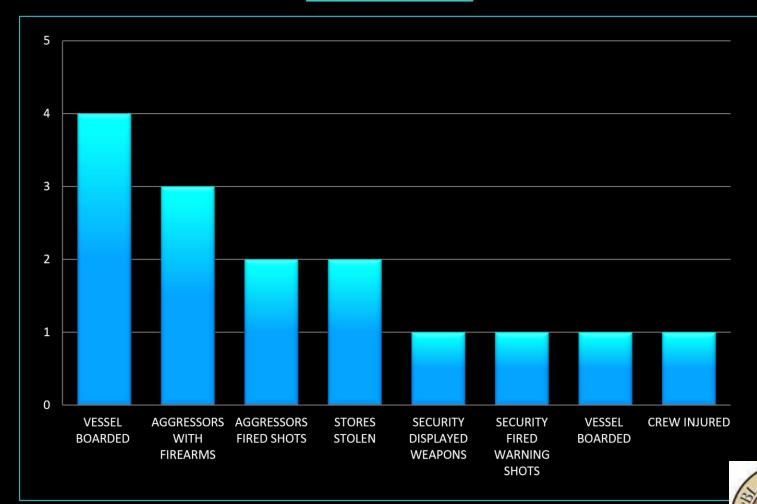


VESSEL TYPE INVOLVED IN INCIDENTS





DETAILS OF INCIDENT







EUROPE NO INCIDENTS TO REPORT



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Dhow and Skiff Recognition Chart



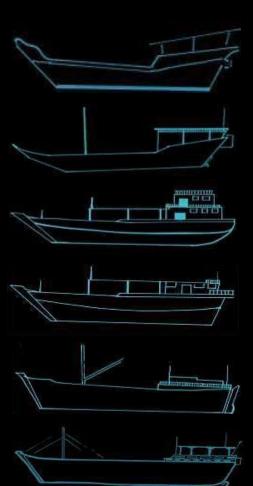












1. Shu'ai Dhow

5 – 15 metres long, High and square at the stern and Rises to a pointed prow

2. Yemeni Dhow

Approx 15 metres long, Either a transom type or high rising stern, High rising and very pointed bow (but no prow)

3. Jelbut Dhow, round stern

Up to 15 metres long , Short prow stem rising from the waterline and Rounded stern

4. Jelbut Dhow, square stern

Up to 15 metres long, Transom stern, Short prow stem rising from the waterline and Rectangular bow profile

5. Boum Dhow

15 – 35 metres long, Tapered stern and bow High/imposing prow, Stern post with a yoketype steering gear and Fairly symmetrical shape

6. Sambuq Dhow

Approx 38 metres long, High/imposing prow and Rounded stern



Dhow and Skiff Recognition Chart

























1. Yemeni Skiff

Long and narrow fastgoing skiff, Usually fitted with 2 outboard engines, Rises to a pointed prow, Used throughout the Gulf of Aden and Somali Basin

2. Somali Skiff

Wider planing hull skiff, Not as fast, more seaworthy than the narrower Yemeni skiff.

3. Somali Skiff

Wide, short, fast planning skiff, Shorter than a small whaler.

4. Whaler

Larger and broader than regular skiffs, Up to 10 metres in length, Traditionally used to collect fish from or replenish fishing skiffs with fuel/food.

5. Huri

Small dug-out canoe between 10 – 20 feet long, Generally used for fishing and short haul transport, The most common small boat in Omani waters.

6. Shashah

Small primitive fishing craft made from palm Sticks and about 10 feet long.

