



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 30-18

20th July – 27th July 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.

On 28th June 2018 BMP4 was superseded by BMP5 (Best Management Practices 5). We invite you to download it if needed by clicking on the link below:

<http://www.mschoa.org/docs/default-source/public-documents/bmp5.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION
Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service (SHOM) Best Management Practice (BMP) United Kingdom Hydrographic Office (UKHO) IMB Live Piracy Reports



Date	Type	Brg/Rge from nearest shore	Summary of event
22/07/18	THEFT	240°/7NM from Abidjan, COTE D'IVOIRE	At 00:05UTC in position 05°11N – 004°04W, an anchored Merchant Tanker reported the theft of 3 mooring ropes by 3 men. At 00:20UTC, attempts to retrieve the ropes stopped as the boat sped away into the darkness towards shore, pulling the ropes away from the tanker.
22/07/18	SUSPICIOUS APPROACH	High seas (270NM from the nearest shore)	At 13:50UTC in position 01°30N – 001°15E, a Merchant Vessel was approached by a fast moving light blue and white stripes Fishing Vessel. The Fishing Vessel launched 2 skiffs which approached the MV and attempted to board. MV conducted evasive maneuvers preventing skiffs getting within 0.5nm. MDAT-GoG comment: This event refers to Advisory 002/JUL/18.

WEEKLY EVENTS

- (1) Hijack:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (2) Boarding:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (3) Attack:**
Nil incidents to report.
- (4) Robbery – Sea theft:**
One incident to report. See details on P2.
- (5) Suspicious approach:**
One incident to report. See details on P2.
- (6) Sighting – Irregular activity:**
Nil incidents to report.

WARNINGS

No WARNING issued this week.

ADVISORIES

One ADVISORY issued this week.

002/JUL/18: Suspicious approach on merchant vessel, issued on 22th July 2018.

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.