



Maritime Domain Awareness for Trade Gulf Of Guinea



Biannual Report
July - December 2021





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Number of Events reported:
29



**BMP
West Africa**



**Global Counter
Piracy Guidance**

OVERVIEW

The MDAT-GOG has been in operation since the 20th of June 2016. It is a virtual reporting mechanism supporting the interregional architecture defined by the Yaounde Code of Conduct. The primary output from the MDAT-GoG is to contribute by maintaining coherent maritime situational awareness in the central and western African Maritime Space, with the ability to inform and support industry, contributing to the safety and security of the Mariner in the regional maritime domain. All vessels are encouraged to report to the MDAT-GoG using the existing reporting formats. The information supplied by vessels will be treated as commercially confidential.

All details can be found on [SHOM Chart 8801CSD](#) or [UKHO Chart Q6114](#), 30 June 2016, to allow vessels 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. Phone number is monitored permanently (+33 298 22 88 88).

Masters are encouraged to comply with [Best Management Practices West Africa \(BMP WA\)](#) and [Global Counter Piracy Guidance](#) with during their presence in Voluntary Reporting Area.

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 (24/7/365).

It is requested the Masters contact MDAT-GoG as soon as possible to facilitate quick actions by the MDAT-GoG and their regional contacts.

Fair winds and following seas!

NOTICES

Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices, contact us for further information. ADVISORIES are not classified as 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.

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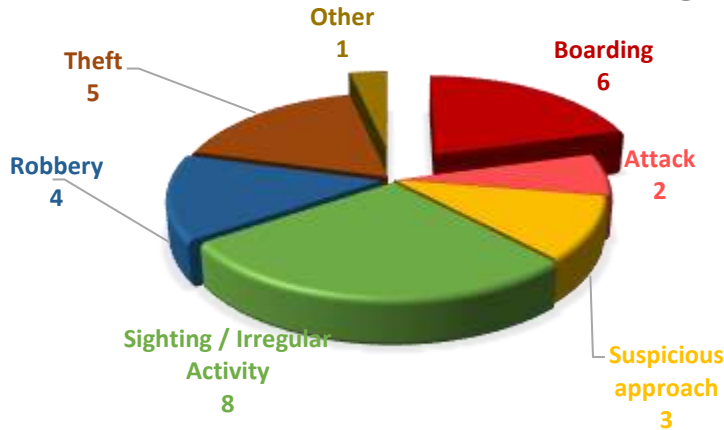
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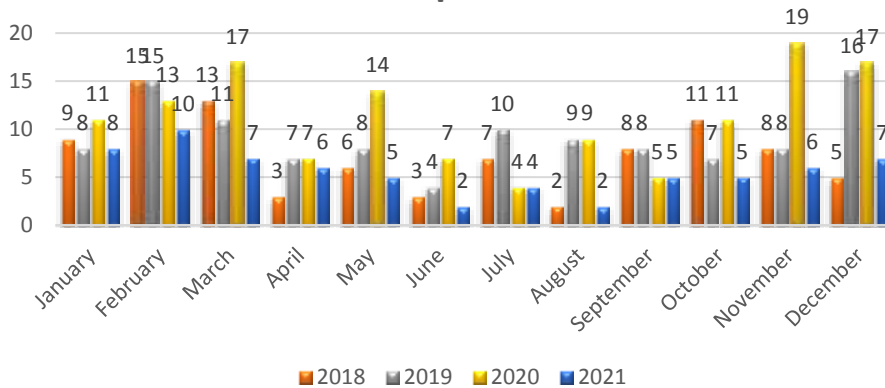
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29 events have been reported to MDAT-GoG for the second part of 2021, Serials 39/21 to 67/21.

INCIDENTS



Total Incident reported to MDAT-GoG



DEFINITIONS

Hijack: Unauthorised persons have illegally boarded the ship and taken control of the vessel against the will of the Master and crew.

Boarding: An illegal boarding is where the attackers have boarded the ship but have not taken control of the vessel.

Attempted Boarding: Close approach or hull-to-hull contact with report that boarding paraphernalia were employed or visible in the approaching boat, but are thwarted by BMP measures, PAST, weather conditions, lack of appropriate equipment, etc.

Attack: The ship has been subjected to an aggressive approach by unidentified craft and weapons have been discharged.

Suspicious approach: Definite alteration towards the ship, rapid increase in speed which cannot be accounted for in the prevailing conditions. Sudden changes in behaviour.

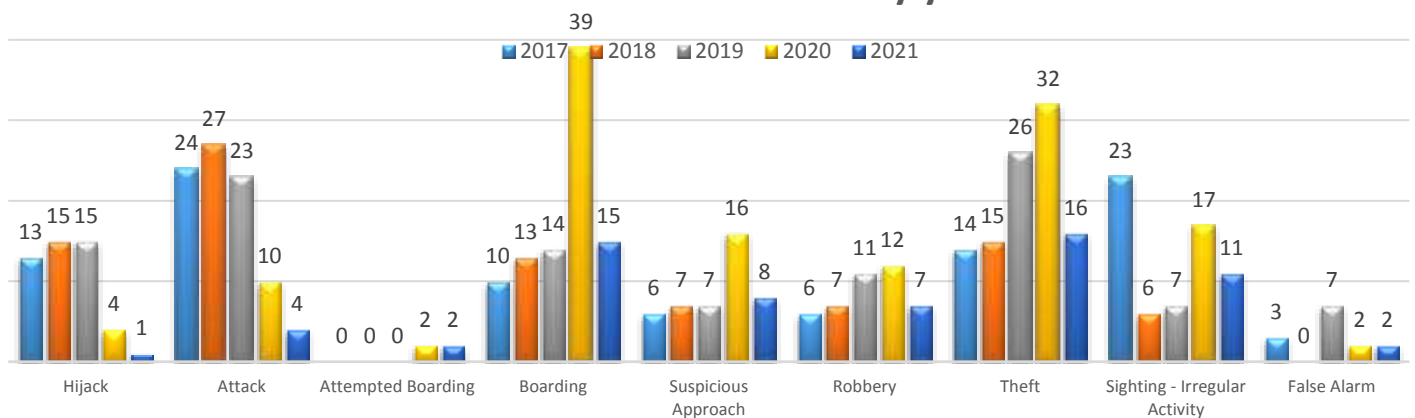
Robbery: Theft realized in territorial waters with threat/violence to crew.

Theft: Theft realized in territorial waters with no violence.

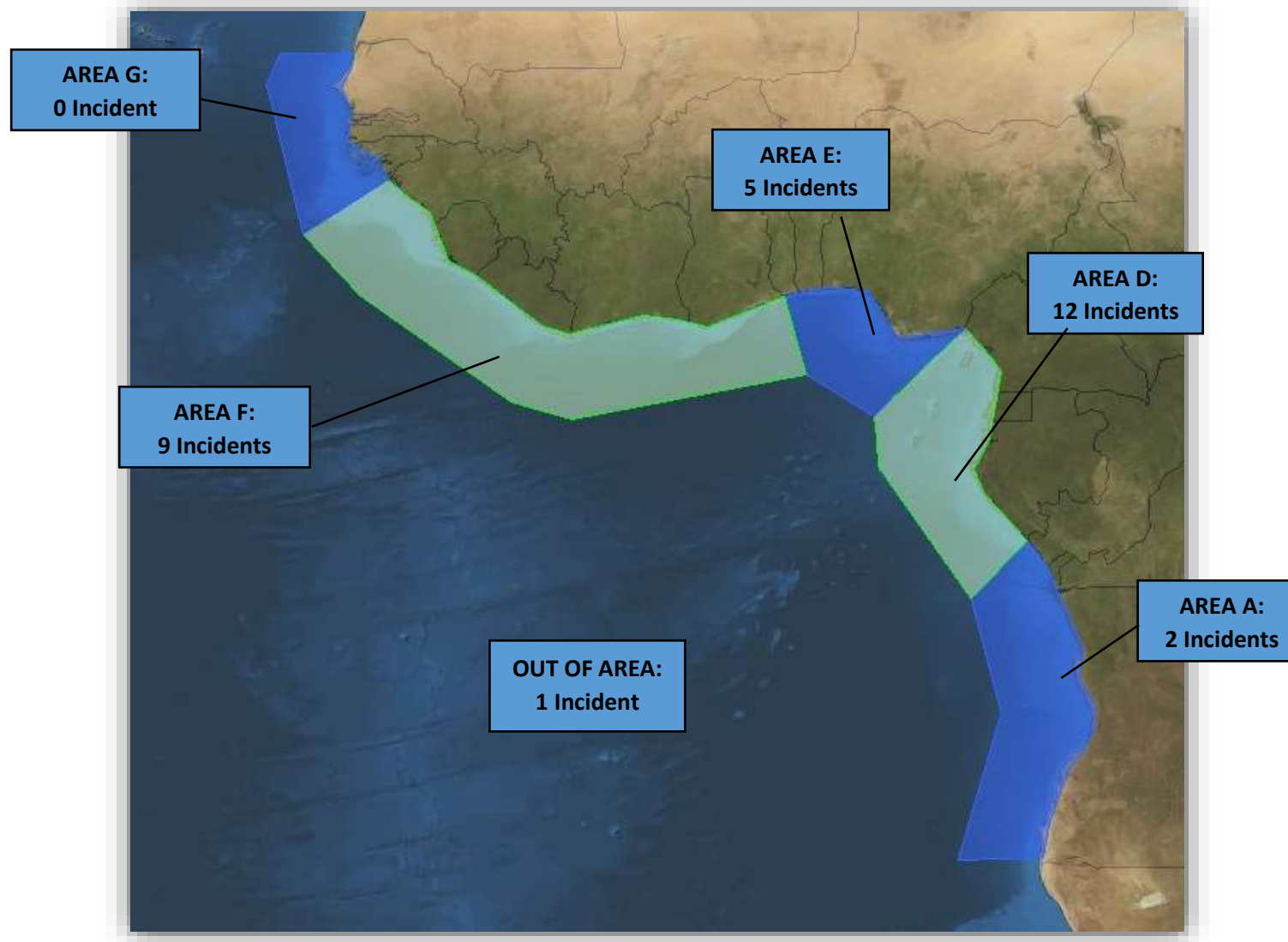
Sightings and Irregular Activity:

Suspicious activity not associated with the locality or prevailing conditions.

Classification of incidents by year



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Phones and mail are monitored 24/7/365. Both French and English are spoken

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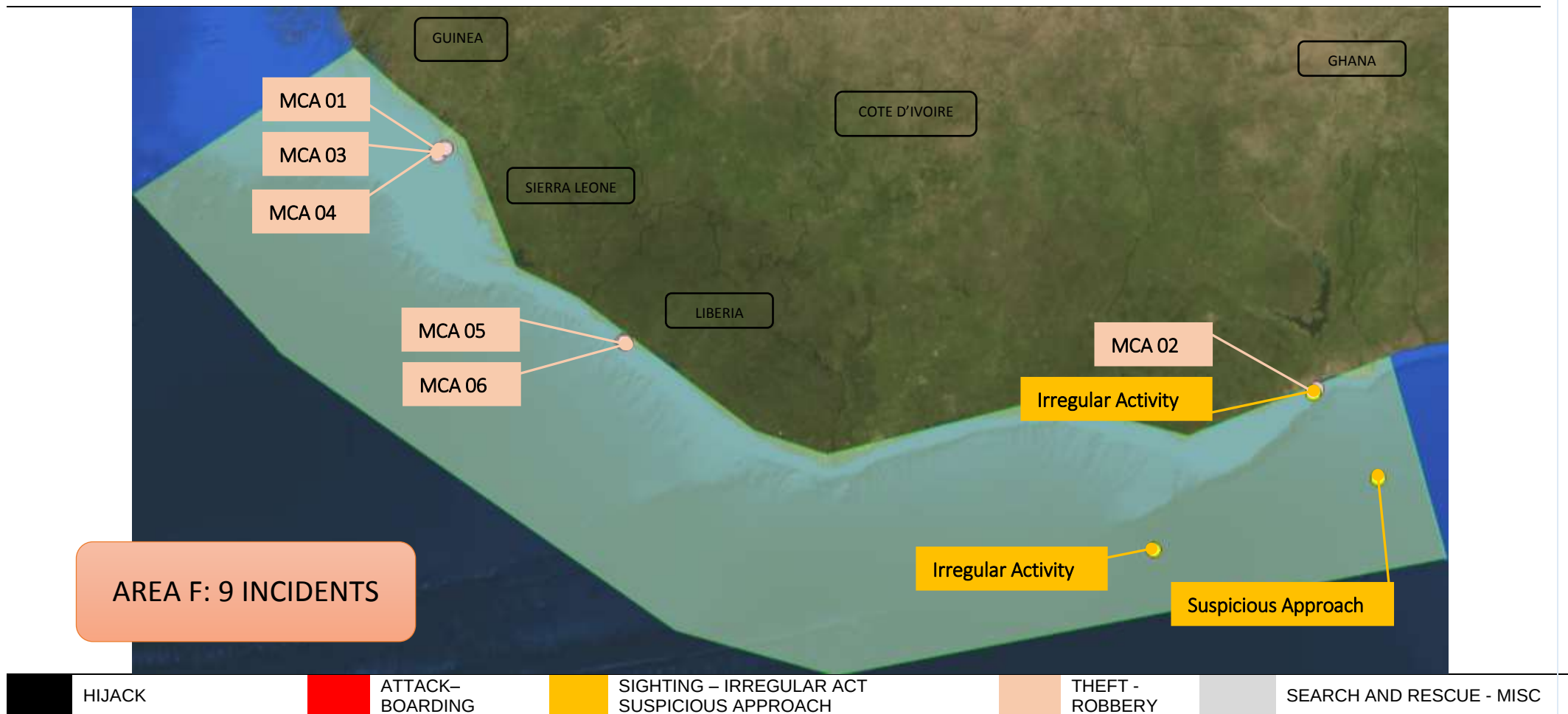
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	HIJACK		ATTACK-BOARDING		SIGHTING – IRREGULAR ACT SUSPICIOUS APPROACH		THEFT - ROBBERY		SEARCH AND RESCUE - MISC
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Incident 046/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Sighting 06 Sep. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Failed 04:45
<u>Position</u>	05°31N – 000°00E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	182/07NM off Tema, Ghana
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	At Anchorage	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear Wind: WSW 5 mod. sea 1.4m swell

Description: On the 06th September at 0445UTC, a crew member noticed a small craft with 6 persons on board approaching an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) whilst at Tema anchorage. The intruders tried to throw a hook with line and the alarm was raised. The small embarkation went away and the port authority was informed. No weapons were observed.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Nil

Type of Vessel used: One small skiff

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil

Incident reported to:
Port Authorities

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-32 and Monthly 21-09.](#)

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Incident 050/21

<u>Category</u>	Suspicious Approach	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	11 Oct. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	02:00
<u>Position</u>	04°10N – 001°01E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	146/105NM off Tema, Ghana
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not Stated

Description: On the 11th October at 0200 UTC, a FV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by 2 skiff with an unknown number of persons on board. Due to the intervention of the Ghanaian navy armed guards, the approach failed. The FV (**NAME WITHHELD**) and the crew are reported safe. This event was a time late report.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Not stated.

Type of Vessel used: Two skiff.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Not stated.

Incident reported to:
Area F.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-41 and Monthly 21-10.](#)

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Incident 059/21

<u>Category</u>	Sighting	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Not concerned
<u>Date</u>	26 Nov. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	18:55
<u>Position</u>	03°02N – 002°31W	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	203/121NM off Takoradi, GHANA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: An MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported a ship closing her position on the 26th November at 1855UTC. The MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) increased her speed and the other ship kept following her during one hour and then stopped.

Duration of Attack: Approximately one hour.

Method Of Approach: approach and follow the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) until a closest point of approach at 1.4NM.

Type of Vessel used: Not stated.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil

Incident reported to:
MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-48 and Monthly 21-11.](#)

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MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Maritime Crime Activity 01: Robbery

Event 040/21

GUINEA, Conakry

Description: On the 09th July at 0033UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported a robbery whilst at Conakry anchorage in position 09°18'00"N – 013°49'00"W. Seven armed intruders managed to climb on board and steal crew belongings. The crew was reported safe

Method Of Approach: One skiff and intruders armed with gun and knives.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Cash and personal belongings reported stolen.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-27 and Monthly 21-07.

Maritime Crime Activity 02: Theft

Event 042/21

GHANA, Tema

Description: On the 31st July at 2245UTC, 3 intruders were spotted attempting to climb on an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**). Twice the crew were able to repel the intruders (first attempt was at 2345 and the second attempt at 2320UTC) with fire hoses. The crew was reported safe.

Method Of Approach: Use of a motor boat.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-31 and Monthly 21-07.

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Maritime Crime Activity 03: Robbery

Event 043/21

GUINEA, Conakry

Description: On the 1st August at 0430UTC, four armed intruders boarded an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) whilst at Conakry anchorage.

Method Of Approach: Use of a motor boat and access to the MV through the forecastle anchor chain house pipe.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Crews belonging, cash.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-31 and Monthly 21-08.

Maritime Crime Activity 04: Robbery

Event 053/21

Guinea, Conakry

Description: On the 25th October at 0208UTC, an MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) was boarded by 7 armed perpetrators in position 09°22N-013°41W. The Guinean Navy and Guinean Police dispatched a patrol boat and a police team to secure the MT (**NAME WITHHELD**). The crew and the vessel were reported safe. This event was a time late report.

Method Of Approach: Unknown.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Ship's equipments and crew's belongings were reported stolen.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-43 and Monthly 21-10.

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MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Maritime Crime Activity 05: Theft

Event 065/21

Liberia, Monrovia

Description: On the 08th December at 0500UTC, bare footprints were discovered near the rescue boat station on an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) whilst at Monrovia anchorage. The alarm was raised and an investigation round was carried out. Ship and crew were reported safe.

Method Of Approach: Unknown.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Lifeboat's equipment reported stolen.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Monthly 21-12.

Maritime Crime Activity 06: Theft

Event 066/21

Liberia, Monrovia

Description: During the night of the 25th December, a theft occurred on an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) whilst at Monrovia anchorage. The incident was reported to local authorities.

Method Of Approach: Unknown.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Ship's equipment's reported stolen and some paint cans.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-52 and monthly 21-12.

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MCA : MARITIME CRIME ACTIVITY									

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Incident 044/21

<u>Category</u>	Attack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	16 Aug. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	05:00
<u>Position</u>	04°15N – 005°45E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	264/30NM off Brass, NIGERIA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not Stated

Description: On the 16th August at 0500UTC, one speed boat with an unknown number of attackers approached an oil platform. Gunshots exchanged between the attackers and armed military personnel have been reported. The speed boat left the area when a security ship arrived to support the oil platform. No casualties were reported.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Aggressive with use of weapons.

Type of Vessel used: Speed boat.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Not stated.

Incident reported to:
MDAT, C4I, MCC Area E.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [This event was a time late report.](#)

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Incident 052/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Boarding 25 Oct. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Failed 08:20
<u>Position</u>	02°13N– 004°50E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	283/161NM off Santo Antonio, STP
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: On the 25th October at 0815UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by one skiff with 8 perpetrators. They boarded the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) and left at approximately 1615UTC due to the Russian military intervention. The crew and the vessel were reported safe.

Duration of Attack: approximately 8 Hours.

Method Of Approach: Not stated

Type of Vessel used: One skiff

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Damages on bridge equipment.

Incident reported to:
Area E-D; IMB.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Warning 002/OCT](#), [Warning 002/OCT update 1](#), [Weekly 21-43](#) and [Monthly 21-10](#).

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Incident 055/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Sighting 03 Nov. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Not concerned 01:40
<u>Position</u>	06°06N – 001°18E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	154/2NM off Lome, TOGO
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	At Anchorage	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Dark, clear Smooth sea, low swell

Description: On the 03rd November at 0140UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by a wooden skiff with 5-6 persons on board. They tried to grab the razor wires but they fled as soon as the alarm was raised. Two Togolese patrol boats were dispatched to secure the anchorage and reported the presence of a fishing skiff.

Duration of Attack: Few minutes.

Method Of Approach: Approached by starboard side.

Type of Vessel used: One wooden boat (7-10 meters).

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

Incident reported to:
Togolese Authorities and MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Monthly 21-11.](#)

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Incident 057/21

<u>Category</u>	Boarding	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	11 Nov. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	01:00
<u>Position</u>	03°23N – 005°41E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	183/45NM off Bonny, NIGERIA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: On the 11th November at 0100UTC, an unknown number of attackers boarded an MV in position 03°23'22N - 005°41'03E.

MDAT-GOG comment: The MV has taken different identities on AIS: KPEME, CAP SAINT GEORGES, MERVEILLE and YANGJIANG 93009. MMCC Area E suspects this case to be involved in illegal activities and further investigations led by Togolese authorities are ongoing.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Not stated.

Type of Vessel used: Not stated.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Undisclosed information.

Incident reported to:

Area E, Area F, IMB and MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Advisory 001/NOV](#), [Weekly 21-45](#) and [Monthly 21-11](#).

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Incident 060/21

<u>Category</u>	Sighting	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Not concerned
<u>Date</u>	24 Nov. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	20:00
<u>Position</u>	04°00N – 006°30E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	237/45NM off Bonny, NIGERIA
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

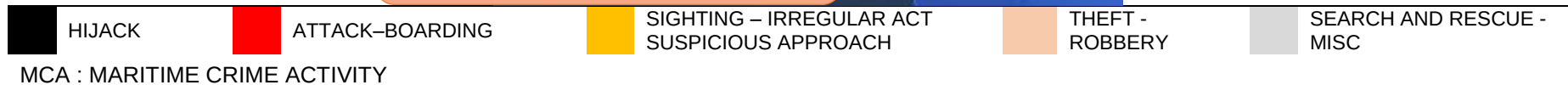
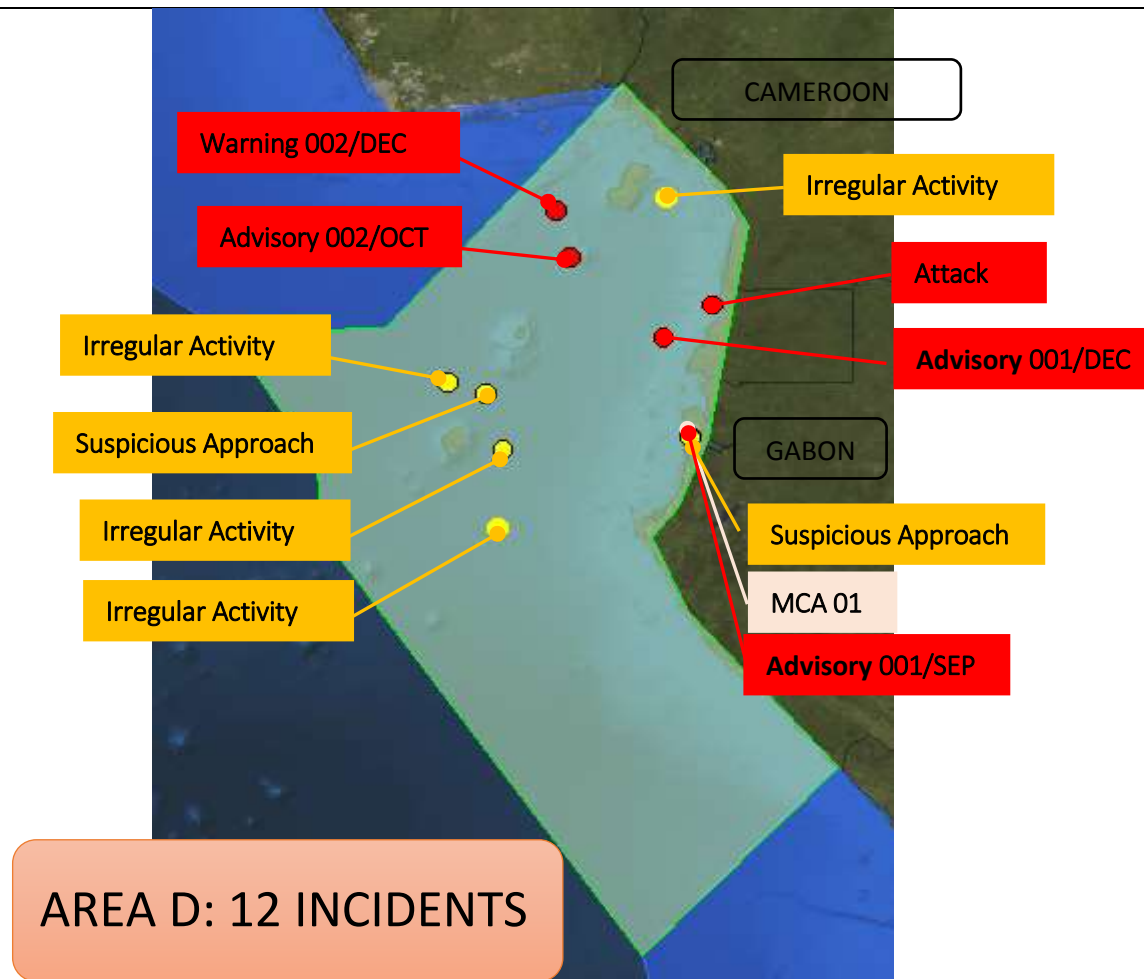
Description: Danish asset involved in incident with suspected pirates. Investigation ongoing.**Duration of Attack:** Not stated.**Method Of Approach:** Not stated.**Type of Vessel used:** Not stated.**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Undisclosed information.**Incident reported to:**

Area E, MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Monthly 21-11.](#)**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 39/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Sighting 06 Jul. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Not concerned 21:30
<u>Position</u>	03°23N – 000°44E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	141/32NM off Malabo, Equato-Guinea
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not Stated

Description: On the 06th July at 2130UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported suspicious activity. Vessel was followed by two skiffs crossing her position at high speed (22 Knots). One skiff approached the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) to within 2.5 NM. The approach was aborted due to the close proximity of a FPSO ASENS.

Duration of Attack: Approximately 45 minutes.

Method Of Approach: Followed at high speed and then altered the course to avoid the FPSO exclusion area.

Type of Vessel used: Two skiffs.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

Incident reported to:
MDAT, Area D.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-27 and Monthly 21-07.](#)

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Incident 41/21

<u>Category</u>	Sighting	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Not concerned
<u>Date</u>	27 Jul. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	04:00
<u>Position</u>	00°53S – 007°07E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	164/76NM off Ana Chaves, STP.

<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Slight Sea Wind : 4, SW Sea & Swell: 1.5m
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Description: On the 27th July at 0400UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported suspicious activity. One fishing vessel and 2 skiffs approached the vessel to within 2NM with bright lights. The vessel applied BMP WA procedures and the skiffs aborted their approach.

MDAT-GOG Comment: *This event was a time late report.*

Duration of Attack: Approximately 1h30.

Method Of Approach: One fishing vessel on portside with bright lights and two skiffs with lights on starboard side.

Type of Vessel used: One fishing vessel and two skiffs.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

Incident reported to:
MDAT, Area D.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-30 and Monthly 21-07.](#)

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Incident 045/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Boarding 05 Sep. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Successful 01:00
<u>Position</u>	00°18N – 009°24E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	199/06NM off Libreville, Gabon
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	Adrift	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not Stated

Description: On the 05th September at 0000UTC, an unknown number of attackers boarded an MV (**(NAME WITHHELD)**) whilst at Owendo anchorage. The Gabonese local authorities dispatched reinforcement in order to secure the anchorage.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: One skiff with five armed attackers on board.

Type of Vessel used: Not stated.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Undisclosed information.

Incident reported to:

MCC Area D, MOC Libreville, IMB, ICC.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [ADVISORY 001/SEP](#), [Weekly 21-32](#) and [Monthly 21-09](#).

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Incident 047/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Sighting 11 Sep. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Failed 08:20
<u>Position</u>	00°08N– 007°11E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	115/28NM off Ana Chaves, Sao Tome and Principe
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Cloudy, Visibility 5mls, Wind SSW 15 kts, Wave 2.0 mt SSW, Swell 1.5 s

Description: On the 11th September at 0820 UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) noticed 7 skiffs coming from starboard side. Three skiffs approached the vessel at a distance of 0.3Nm and then, altered their courses to be parallel with the vessel. After half an hour, the skiffs were out of sight and vessel continued her route. Vessel and crew reportedly safe.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach. Nil

Type of Vessel used: Seven small fast crafts, 6 black hull and 1 red hull s

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil

Incident reported to:
MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-33 and Monthly 21-09.](#)

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Incident 049/21

<u>Category</u>	Suspicious Approach	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	26 Sep. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	09:38
<u>Position</u>	00°51N – 006°59E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	023/34NM off Ana Chaves, Sao Tome and Principe
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear, Wind SW, 4 Sea, SW, 0.8m Swell, SW, 1.2m

Description: On the 26th September at 0938UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by one skiff with 6 POB in position 00° 51'N 006° 59' E. The skiff stopped its approach after 30 minutes. A Gabonese patrol boat (**MAYUMBA**) was dispatched to assist and escort the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) to Gabon. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

Duration of Attack: Approximately 30 minutes.

Method Of Approach. Direct approach.

Type of Vessel used: blue and white hull, open boat (12 meters length)

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil

Incident reported to:
MDAT, Area D, Area E.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-35 and Monthly 21-09.](#)

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Incident 054/21

<u>Category</u>	Boarding	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Successful
<u>Date</u>	25 Oct. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	21:26
<u>Position</u>	02°35N – 007°59E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	029/66NM off Santo Antonio, STP
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: On the 25th October at 2126UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was boarded by an unknown number of perpetrators. The attackers left the vessel at approximately 0400 UTC. Vessel was drifting until the 26 of October at 1331 UTC and resume her course to Angola.

Duration of Attack: Approximately 6 Hours.

Method Of Approach: Not stated.

Type of Vessel used:One skiff

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Undisclosed information.

Incident reported to:
MDAT, AREA E-D

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-43 and Monthly 21-10.

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Incident 056/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Sighting 07 Nov. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Not concerned 13:05
<u>Position</u>	00°59N – 006°32E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	341/42NM off Ana Chaves, STP
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear Visibility Wind – SE , 15 knots Swell – 1.5 m

Description: On the 07th November at 1305UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) observed a small craft at 06NM approaching at 26 KNT to her position. The MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) applied BMP WA procedures and the craft abandoned its approach at 5NM off her position.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Approach at high speed.

Type of Vessel used: Black vessel with high speed engine

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

Incident reported to:
Area D and MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-45 and Monthly 21-11.](#)

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Incident 062/21

<u>Category</u>	Suspicious Approach	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	13 Dec. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	01:35
<u>Position</u>	00°17N – 009°24E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	188/7NM off Libreville, GABON
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	At Anchorage	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Clear, Wind - S 2, Calm sea, no swell

Description: On the 13th December at 0135UTC, whilst at Owendo anchorage, a MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported a suspicious approach by a small boat with 12 persons on board and a ladder could be seen. The security team and the OOW raised the alarm causing the small boat to retreat. The Gabonese local authorities dispatched reinforcements in order to secure the area.

Duration of Attack: Few minutes.

Method Of Approach: Silent approach.

Type of Vessel used: One skiff (7M).

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

Incident reported to:
Gabonese Authorities and MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Weekly 21-50 and Monthly 21-12.](#)

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Incident 063/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Boarding 13 Dec. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Successful 14:27
<u>Position</u>	03°11N – 007°49E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	249/47NM off Luba, Equatorial-Guinea
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: On the 13th December at 1427 UTC, a MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was boarded by an unknown number of persons. A Naval asset was dispatched to assist and secure the vessel.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Violent with use of weapons.

Type of Vessel used: One skiff (7M).

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Undisclosed information.

Incident reported to:

Danish Navy, Area D, Area E, C4I and IMB.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Warning 002/DEC](#), [Weekly 21-50](#) and [Monthly 21-12](#).

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Incident 064/21

<u>Category</u>	Attack	<u>Status of Incident</u>	Failed
<u>Date</u>	15 Dec. 21	<u>Time (UTC)</u>	20:30
<u>Position</u>	01°59N – 009°40E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	335/10NM off Bata, Equatorial Guinea
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: On the 15th December at 2030 UTC, MDAT-GOG received a report that a cargo ship (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by an unknown number of persons in position 01°59'N – 009°40'E (approximately 10NM from Bata, Equatorial Guinea). This event was a time late report.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Not stated.

Type of Vessel used: Not stated

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Not stated.

Incident reported to:
Area D and MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-50 and Monthly 21-12.

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Incident 067/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Boarding 30 Dec. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Successful 03:00
<u>Position</u>	01°34N – 009°05E (estimated position)	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	249/43NM off Bata, Equatorial Guinea
<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>	Not stated

Description: MDAT-GOG received a report of a ship (**NAME UNKNOWN**) boarded by an unknown number of armed attackers. The ship came to seek assistance to Okume field. An Equatoguinean navy ship was dispatched.

Duration of Attack: Not stated.

Method Of Approach: Aggressive with use of weapons.

Type of Vessel used: A black hull speed craft.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Undisclosed information.

Incident reported to:
Area D, Danish Navy and MDAT.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Advisory 001/Dec/21](#), [Weekly 21-52](#) and [Monthly 21-12](#).

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MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Maritime Crime Activity 01: Theft

Event 061/21

GABON, Libreville

Description: On the 13th December at 0100UTC, five armed persons boarded an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) whilst at Owendo anchorage. The Gabonese local authorities dispatched reinforcements in order to secure the area.

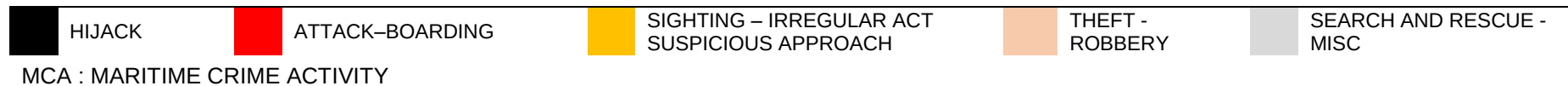
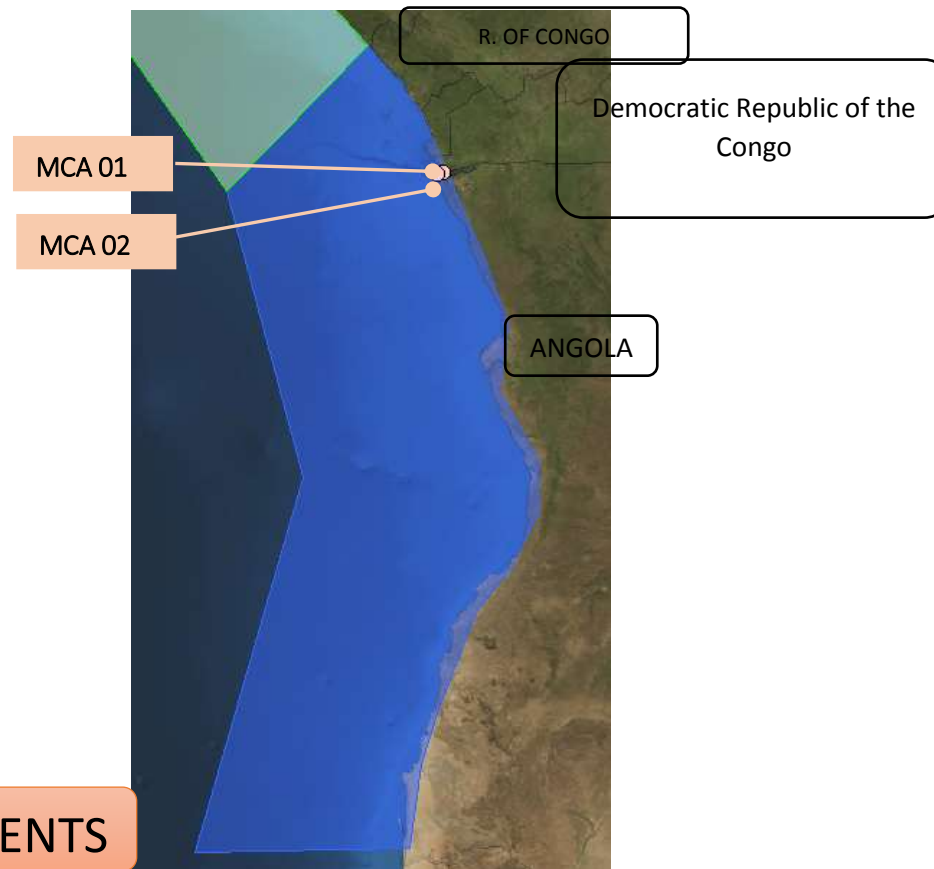
Method Of Approach: Use of a white speed boat.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil.

MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-50 and Monthly 21-12.

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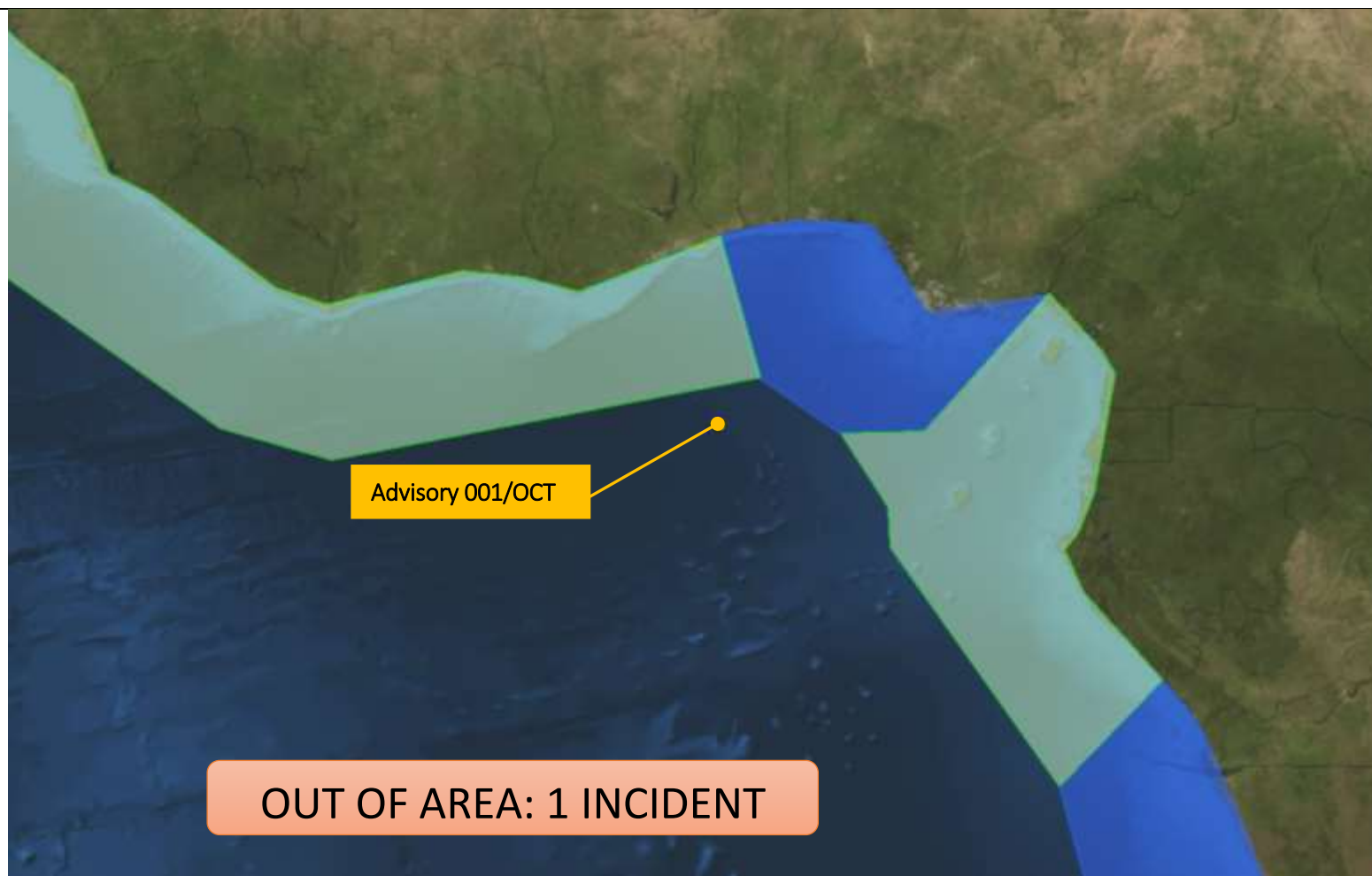
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Maritime Crime Activity 01: Theft	Event 048/21
REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO, Banana Description: On the 14 th September, in the evening, an unknown number of intruders boarded an MV (NAME WITHHELD). They stole equipment from the vessel and fled without being noticed. Method Of Approach: Unknown. Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Ship's equipments reported stolen. MDAT-GOG Reference: Weekly 21-33 and Monthly 21-09.	
Maritime Crime Activity 02: Theft	Event 058/21
ANGOLA, Soyo Description: A theft occurred on an MV (NAME WITHHELD) at Soyo anchorage area on the 12 th November at 0330UTC. The robbers managed to board the vessel and stole ship's equipments without being spotted. Method Of Approach: Unknown. Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Two mooring ropes. MDAT-GOG Reference: Monthly 21-11.	

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Incident 051/21

<u>Category</u> <u>Date</u>	Sighting 19 Oct. 21	<u>Status of Incident</u> <u>Time (UTC)</u>	Not concerned 09:30
<u>Position</u>	01°50N – 001°11E	<u>Bearing / Range</u>	163/238NM off Tema, Ghana

<u>Status of Vessel</u>	En Route	<u>Weather during the Attack</u>
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Description: On the 19th October at 0930 UTC, a FV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported a suspicious tug (stopped without AIS) in position 01°50N – 001°11E. Local authorities have been informed.

Duration of Attack: Not concerned.

Method Of Approach: Not concerned.

Type of Vessel used: One tug with a black (dark) hull and white rusty bridge.

Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo: Nil

Incident reported to:
Area F.

MDAT-GOG Reference: [Advisory 001/OCT](#), [Weekly 21-42](#) and [Monthly 21-10](#).

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