

Weekly Report: 27 April to 03 May 2022

1. **Eide Al Fitr.** “Eide Mubarak”.
2. **UKMTO Notices.** UKMTO Advisory 001/May/2022 ([Military Exercise](#)) was issued on Saturday 1 May 2022. Please see below for further details and a hyperlink to the full notice. Notice 001/May/2022 is the only extant UKMTO Notice at this time.
3. **International Maritime Security Construct (IMSC).** The IMSC has released their Coalition Task Force (CTF) SENTINEL May 22 Edition News Letter which can be found on-line at the IMSC’s Web Site: <https://bit.ly/3ya5f7X>

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
No new Warnings were issued this week.

Advisories		
Number	Category	Remarks
No new Advisories were issued this week.		

Notices		
Number	Category	Remarks
001/May/2022	Military Exercise	Valid in accordance with Notice Dates until 17:00 UTC 31 May 22

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Open Source Media Articles

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1. Suez Canal chief says April revenues hit all-time record.

The unprecedented income came as the Suez Canal in March increased transit fees for ships passing through the waterway. Adm. Ossama Rabei, head of the Suez Canal Authority, said in a statement that 1,929 vessels sailed through the Suez Canal last month, compared to 1,814 in April 2021. He said the revenues rose by 13.9% compared to April last year when the crucial waterway received \$553.6 million. About 10% of global trade, including 7% of the world's oil, flows through the Suez Canal, which connects the Mediterranean and Red seas. The canal, which first opened in 1869, is a major source of foreign currency to Egypt. The annual revenues of the canal reached \$6.3 billion in 2021, the highest in its history. The Canal said 20,649 vessels passed through the waterway last year, a 10% increase compared to 18,830 vessels in 2020

- 1 May 22 - AP News: <https://bit.ly/3vDAKpx>

2. Major maritime task force role for regional partners in GCC.

The tide is turning towards a regional defence structure to deter maritime threats led by Gulf allies, according to IMSC's present commander Royal Navy Commodore Don Mackinnon. IMSC comprises of nine countries including three GCC nations – the UAE, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain. It has been heavily staffed by British and American personnel, however the staff composition has gradually changed with more regional officers assuming leadership roles, said Commodore Mackinnon.

- 2 May 22—Gulf Daily News: <https://bit.ly/3kz1QaR>

3. The UN Brokered Ceasefire In Yemen Shows That United Nations And Diplomacy Can End Conflicts.

The ceasefire between Houthi rebels and the former government is a tentative but positive step towards a stable peace between warring parties in Yemen, leading to hopes that the longstanding conflict is nearing its end. The United Nations' active involvement in brokering the ceasefire, and the pressuring of both sides to conduct peace talks, has shown that international institutions and diplomacy have a vital role to play in ending conflicts peacefully around the world. This is the first coordinated ceasefire in Yemen since 2016 and includes a cessation of all attacks from within and from outside the country. It also allows for commercial flights to resume into the nation's capital, Sanaa, and for fuel ships to enter the rebel-held port of Hodeida. The two-month ceasefire has mostly held in its first week, with oil shipments reaching Hodeida, including vessels that have been prevented from entering for over 80 days.

- 30 Apr - Organisation for World Peace: <https://bit.ly/37cxjN2>

4. Almost impossible for any one country to ensure maritime security: Navy chief.

New Delhi Apr 27: Chief of Naval Staff Admiral R Hari Kumar on Wednesday said that it is almost impossible for any one country to ensure maritime security in the current context and like-minded countries must join hands to deal with the evolving challenges.

- 27 Apr - Daily Excelsior: <https://bit.ly/39Ciapf>

5. Bahrain's task force seizes \$2mln drugs.

A total of 950kg of hashish was seized by the frigate which operates as part of Combined Task Force (CTF) 150 – one of three task forces under the Bahrain-based 34-nation Combined Maritime Force.

- 27 Apr - Gulf Daily News: <https://bit.ly/3MPy6TI>

Engagement and Visits

1. Meeting With Our Industry.

- **20 May: MAERSK.** Mads Skov-Hansen and Junil Thankadan/ Dougie Bell UKMTO (Dubai).

2. **UKMTO (Dubai) Office Visits.** To contact our Dubai office, arrange a visit or request a briefing please contact Lt Cdr Dougie Bell by telephone: +971 (0)501 898 389 or email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org.

3. **Maritime Security Briefs.** Company Security Officers and Masters wishing to receive the latest regional maritime security brief should contact Lt Cdr Dougie Bell email: dubai-oic@ukmto.org.

Maritime Security Briefs

Date	Location	Vessel
28/04/2022	JEBEL ALI	NORTHERN DEXTERITY
28/04/2022	JEBEL ALI	ATLANTIC IBIS
28/04/2022	JEBEL ALI	MSC LENI
02/05/2022	JEBEL ALI	AL BARRAH
02/05/2022	JEBEL ALI	MSC LEANNE
02/05/2022	JEBEL ALI	MSC SARATOGA
02/05/2022	JEBEL ALI	CAPE MARTIN

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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 \(MENAS\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office](#)

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