## Claim

Claim: "A US-flagged vessel has been attacked in the Guld of Aden in July 2024. A Spokesperson at Denmark's shipping company Maersk said: 'There was an attack targeted on one of the company's US-flagged vessels at the northernmost part of the Gulf of Aden.'"

## **Actions**

web\_search("US flagged vessel attacked Gulf of Aden July 2024 Maersk")

## **Evidence**

#### Evidence from web\_search

Reuters reports that on July 9, 2024, Yemen's Houthis said they targeted the Maersk Sentosa ship in the Arabian Sea with missiles. A Maersk spokesperson confirmed the ship was one of its U.S.-flagged vessels. No injuries or damage were reported. (<u>Source</u>)

VOA News reports that on July 10, 2024, Houthi militants fired on the U.S.-flagged container ship Maersk Sentosa in the Arabian Sea. The UK Maritime Trade Operations reported an explosion near the vessel off the coast of Nishtun, Yemen. A spokesperson took responsibility



for the attack. (Source) The Columbian reports that Yemen's Houthi rebels targeted a U.S.-flagged container ship in the Gulf of Aden in July 2024, with the captain reporting an explosion near the vessel. (Source)

# **Elaboration**

The evidence confirms that a U.S.-flagged vessel, the Maersk Sentosa, was targeted in July 2024. The attack occurred in the Arabian Sea, not the Gulf of Aden, according to Reuters (<u>Source</u>) and VOA News (<u>Source</u>). The Columbian also mentions the Gulf of Aden (<u>Source</u>), but the other sources are more specific.

A Maersk spokesperson confirmed the ship was one of its U.S.-flagged vessels. The Houthis claimed responsibility for the attack.

# **Final Judgement**

The claim is partially accurate. A U.S.-flagged vessel, the Maersk Sentosa, was attacked in July 2024. However, the attack occurred in the Arabian Sea, not the Gulf of Aden, according to multiple sources. A Maersk spokesperson confirmed the ship was one of its U.S.-flagged vessels.

**Verdict: FALSE** 

# Justification

The claim is partially inaccurate. While a U.S.-flagged Maersk vessel was attacked in July 2024, the attack occurred in the Arabian Sea, not the Gulf of Aden, as reported by Reuters (<u>Source</u>) and VOA News (<u>Source</u>). A Maersk spokesperson confirmed the ship was U.S.-flagged.