



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 17-20

17th April – 24th April.2020

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

IN THIS ISSUE

OVERVIEW

INFORMATION TO READ

MDAT – GoG reports are primarily based upon information sent by vessels using the Voluntary Reporting Scheme. Masters and CSOs are encouraged to report events or sightings as early as possible, 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 or Advisories and our ability to contact Local Law Enforcement 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 quick 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.

One event has been reported to MDAT-GOG this week.

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.

Website: <https://gog-mdat.org>

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ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

[Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service \(SHOM\)](#)

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

[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)

[Global Counter Maritime](#)

Fair winds and following seas!



★ Hijack ★ Attack - Boarding ★ Robbery - Theft ★ Suspicious approach - Irregular activity ★ Miscellaneous

Type	Date	Brg/Rge from nearest port	Summary of event
BOARDING	18/04/2020	Cotonou Anchorage	<p>On the 18th April at 2245UTC, while at Cotonou Anchorage, an MV(NAME WITHHELD) was boarded by an unknown number of persons.</p> <p>A Beninese patrol boat, in the vicinity of the MV, went to assist and a skiff left the area at speed.</p> <p>MCC Area E has coordinated a joint operation between the Nigerian and Beninese Navy to board and secure the MV (NAME WITHHELD) on the 20th April.</p> <p>MDAT-GoG comment: This event refers to ADVISORY 001/APR.</p>

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

WARNINGS

Nil WARNING Notices issued this week

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ADVISORIES

One ADVISORY Notice issued this week

01/APR/20: A MV is under attack at position 06°17'N 002°32'E (In the vicinity of COTONOU PORT) on the 19th April 2020 since 0540UTC. Mariners are advised to exercise extreme caution in this area.

MARITIME CRIME

Nil Maritime Crime Activity reported this week

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NOTES

Any queries regarding Advisory Notices ring: 0033 298 22 88 88 only, 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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Sea State Forecast w/c 24th April 2020