



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 16-20

10th – 17th 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.

Two events have 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

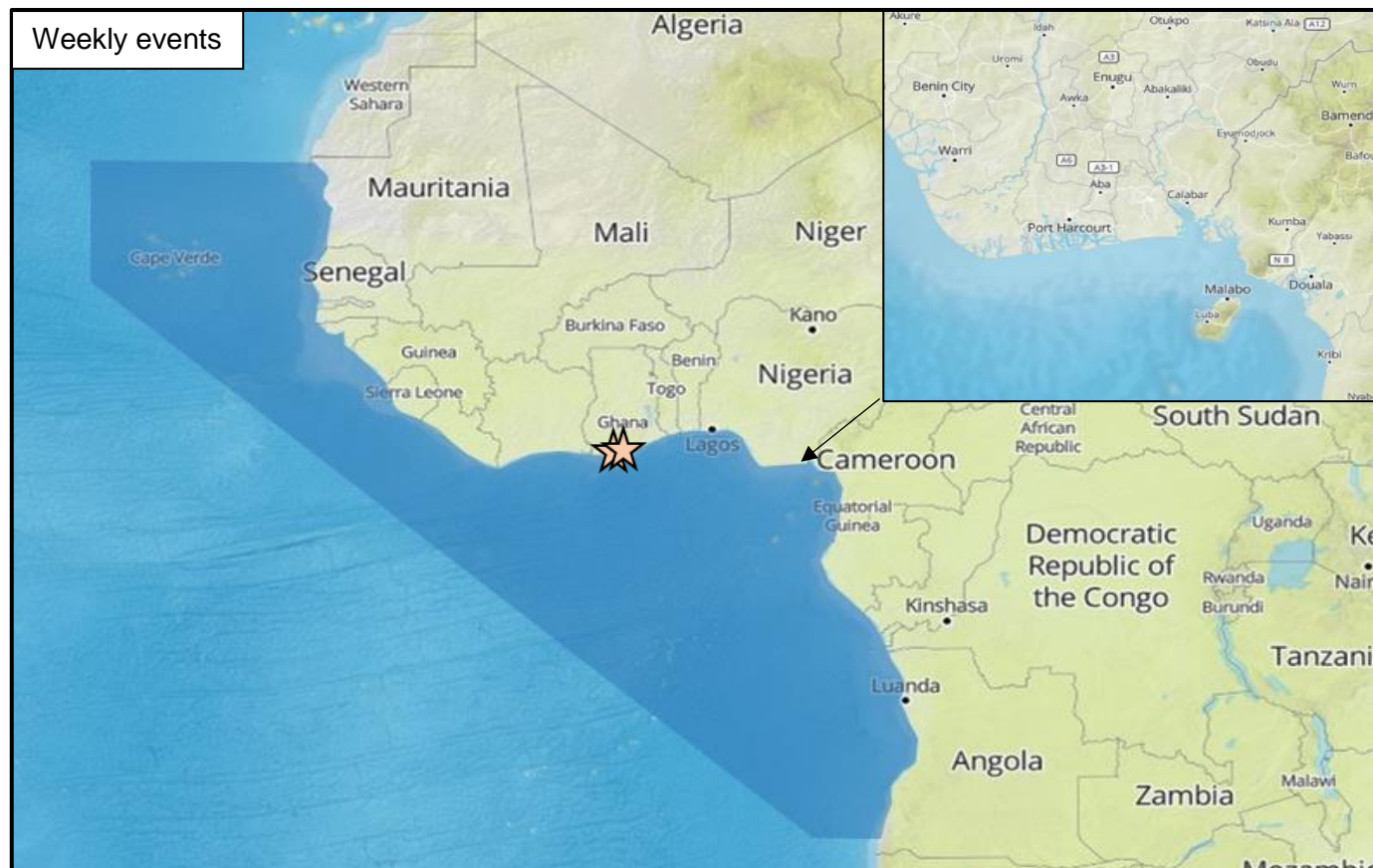
[Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service \(SHOM\)](#)

[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
THEFT	15/04/2020	066/3NM off Takoradi, GHANA	On the 15 th April at 0527UTC, 6 intruders were spotted by the duty crew member while they were attempting to board an MT(NAME WITHHELD) at Takoradi Anchorage (04°54N - 001°41W). The alarm was raised and the intruders fled away. MDAT-GoG comment: Nil
THEFT	16/04/2020	045/3.4 NM off Takoradi, GHANA	On 16 th April, at 0105UTC, in position 04°52.43N 001°41'01W, two intruders were discovered in the paint store by the deck officer on watch. The alarm was raised and the local authorities were informed. The intruders fled away by canoe with 5 persons on board. Two patrol boats were dispatched to secure the area. MDAT-GoG comment: Nil

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

WARNINGS

Nil Warning Notices issued this week

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ADVISORIES

Nil ADVISORY Notices issued this week

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MARITIME CRIME

Two Maritime Crime Activities reported this week

GHANA, Takoradi: Theft

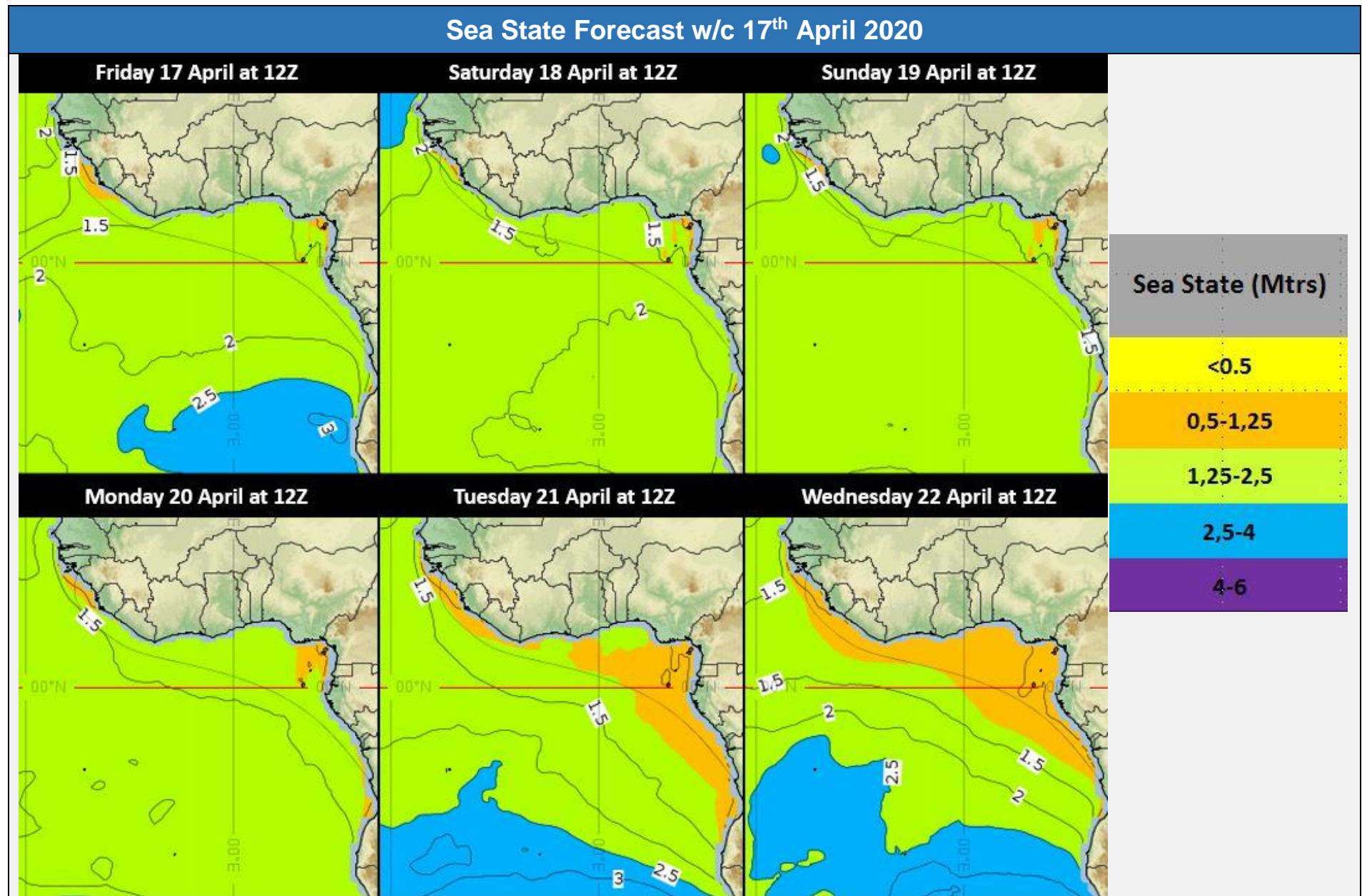
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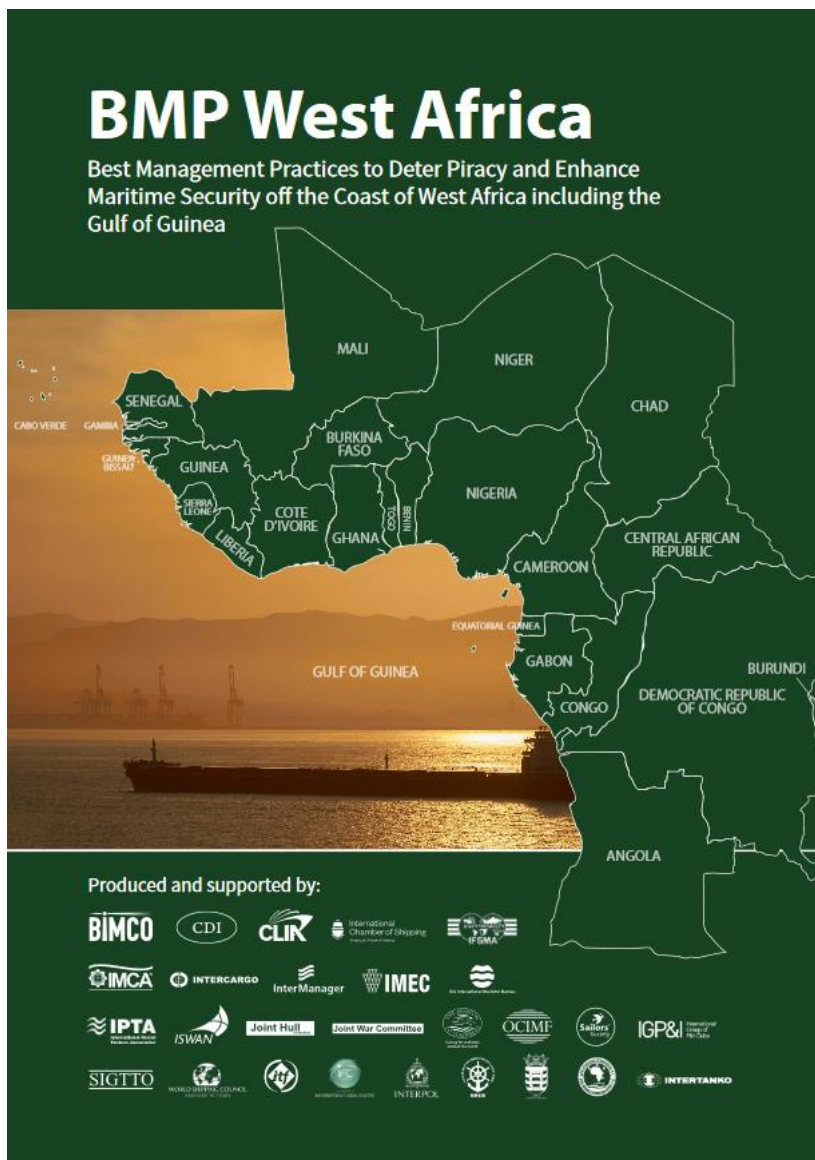
Any queries regarding Advisory Notices ring: 0033 298 22 88 88 only, for further information. ADVISORIES are not classified as Maritime Security Events and have not been verified by MDAT-GoG. This information is provided to inform maritime situational awareness for mariners operating in the region. MDAT-GoG is not responsible for the accuracy of this reporting.

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BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTISES WEST AFRICA



Industry organisations, supported by government and military organisations, have worked together to produce a new publication **“Best Management Practises West Africa”**.

This document will help maritime companies and mariners to risk assess voyages and detect/deter/delay external threats to their safety during their presence in West Africa including the Gulf of Guinea.

You can download this document in this following address:

<https://www.ocimf.org/publications/books/bmp-west-africa.aspx>