

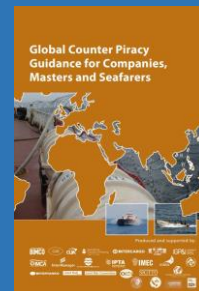
MDAT – GOG Weekly Report 48-20

20th – 27th November 2020
Number of Events reported:

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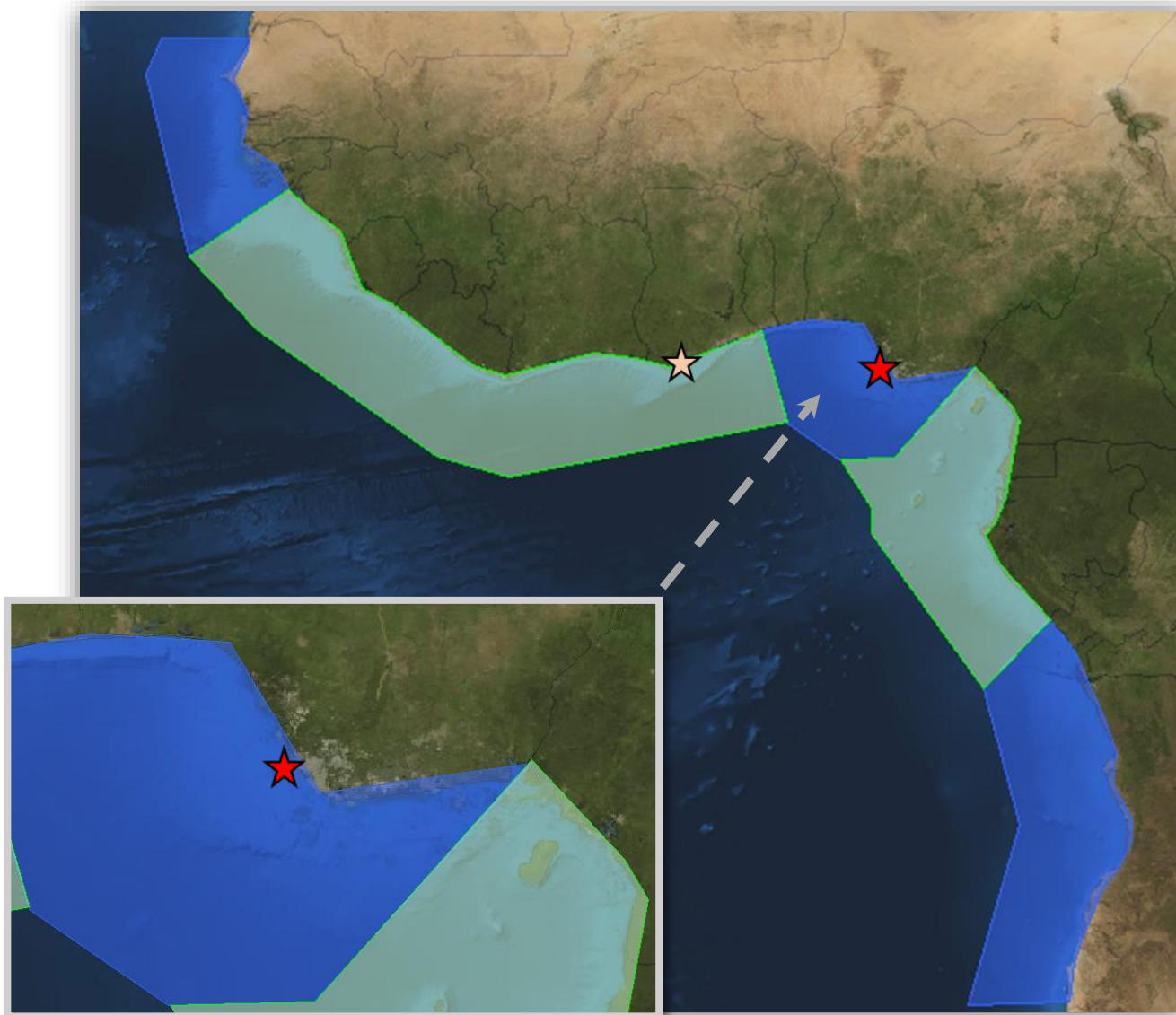


Global Counter
Piracy Guidance

OVERVIEW

Two events have been reported to MDAT-GOG this week, with updates also reported, relating to an event which was initially reported last week.

Hijack: 0 Attack: 0 Boarding: 1 Suspicious Approach: 0 Robbery – Sea theft: 1 Sighting/Irregular Activity: 0



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

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IMPORTANT

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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 (24/7/365).

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TYPE	AREA	POSITION	SUMMARY OF EVENT	Information reported to coastals authorities
BOARDING	E	04°28N – 005°31E	On the 26 th November at 1258UTC, an MV (NAME WITHHELD) was boarded by an unknown number of attackers. Local authorities have been informed. MDAT GOG Comment: .This event refers to Warning 007/NOV and WARNING 007/NOV Update1.	Area E + C4I
ATTEMPT ROBBERY	F	04°53N – 001°41W	On the 27 th November at 0140UTC, an MV (NAME WITHHELD) reported to MDAT an attempted robbery that occurred in Takoradi Anchorage. Duty officer found two unknown persons on board during a safety round. The alarm was raised resulting in the intruders leaving the vessel. Nothing was reported stolen. Crew and vessel are reported safe. MDAT GOG Comment: NIL	Takoradi Port Authorities.

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WARNINGS NOTICES RELEASE

Five WARNING Notice issued this week

WARNING 006/NOV/2020 - UPDATE 03**1. CATEGORY: BOARDING****2. TIME:** 20 Nov 2020 at 0623UTC.**3. DESCRIPTION:** MDAT GoG has received an update regarding the last position of the boarded MT. The attackers are still on board. Local authorities have been informed.**4. POSITION:** 03°06'34N - 002°40'22E (193/202NM off Lagos Nigeria).**Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution****5. SOURCE:** Hellenic Coastguards.**6.** All queries regarding Warning Notice ring +33(0) 298 22 88 88 for further information.**WARNING 006/NOV/2020 - UPDATE 04****1. CATEGORY: BOARDING****2. TIME:** 21 Nov 2020 at 2244UTC.**3. DESCRIPTION:** MDAT GoG has received an update regarding the last position of the boarded MT. The attackers are still on board. Local authorities have been informed.**4. POSITION:** 03°15'27"N - 002°57'05"E (188°/190NM off Lagos Nigeria).**Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution****5. SOURCE:** Hellenic Coastguard.**WARNING 006/NOV/2020 - UPDATE 05****1. CATEGORY: BOARDING****2. TIME:** 22 Nov 2020 at 1646UTC.**3. DESCRIPTION:** MDAT GoG has received an update regarding the last position of the boarded MT. The attackers are still on board. Local authorities have been informed.**4. POSITION:** 03°38N - 003°06E (186/167NM off Lagos Nigeria).**Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution****5. SOURCE:** Hellenic Coastguard.**6.** All queries regarding Warning Notice ring +33(0) 298 22 88 88 for further information.**WARNING 007/NOV/2020****1. CATEGORY: BOARDING****2. TIME:** 26 Nov 2020 at 1251UTC.**3. DESCRIPTION:** MDAT GoG has received a report of an ongoing Boarding incident. Further details will be issued in due course.**4. LAST KNOWN POSITION:** 04°28'15N - 005°31'17E (approx. 52NM North West of BRASS Offshore Terminal).**Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution****5. SOURCE:** 3rd Party Reporting**6.** All queries regarding Warning Notice ring +33(0) 298 22 88 88 for further information.**WARNING 007/NOV/2020 – UPDATE 01****1. CATEGORY: BOARDING****2. TIME:** 27 Nov 2020 at 0907UTC.**3. DESCRIPTION:** MDAT GoG has received a report that the vessel is now SAFE. Incident closed.**4. LAST KNOWN POSITION:** 04°31'19N - 005°33'23E (Approximately 52 NM NW of Brass Offshore Terminal).**Vessels transiting the area are advised to exercise extreme caution****5. SOURCE:** Vessel**6.** All queries regarding Warning Notice ring +33(0) 298 22 88 88 for further information.

ADVISORIES NOTICES RELEASE

Nil ADVISORY Notices issued this week

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MDAT-GOG NOTICES RELEASE

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MARITIME CRIME REPORTED INSIDE PORT AREA OR ANCHORAGE AREA

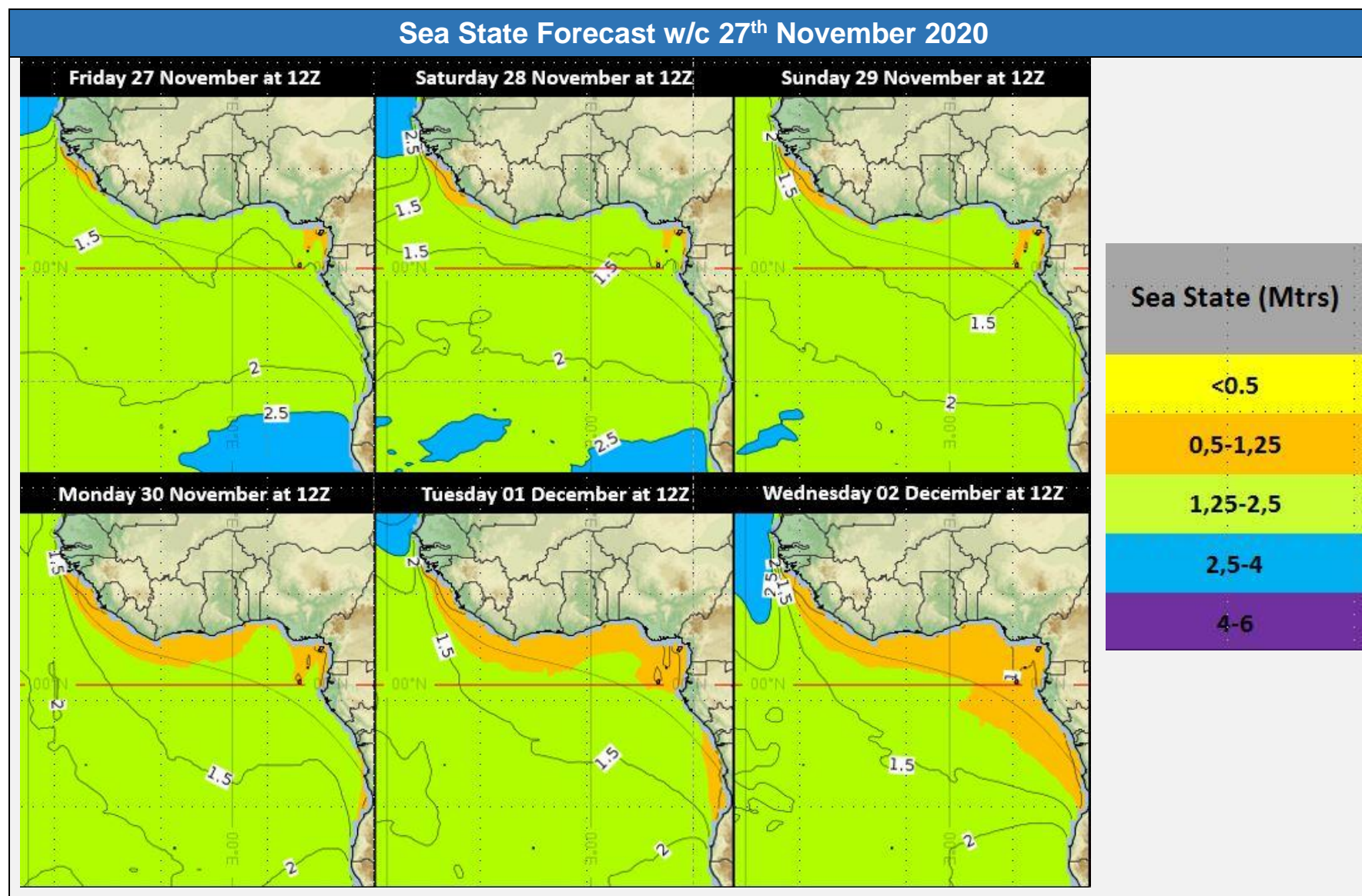
1 Maritime Crime Activity reported this week

GHANA, Takoradi : Robbery**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.

CONTACT

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The MDAT-GOG has been in operation since 20 June 16. 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 (0)298 22 88 88).

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

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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 course towards ship and aggressive 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.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

[Naval Oceanic and Hydrographic Service \(SHOM\)](#)
[United Kingdom Hydrographic Office \(UKHO\)](#)
[IMB Live Piracy Reports](#)
[Global Counter Maritime](#)

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