



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 43-19

18th October – 25th October 2019

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 as early as possible, events or sightings 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>

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!



Type	Date	Brg/Rge from nearest port	Summary of event
THEFT	20/10/2019	300/2NM OFF POINTE NOIRE CONGO	On 20 Oct 2019 at about 0320 UTC, when anchored at Pointe Noire Anchorage area, Congo, a container ship was boarded by unknown sea robbers. Sea robbers not spotted by crew but robbery discovered during patrol where ISPS personnel discovered the padlock of the paint locker was cut open and an old mooring rope and other ship's equipment stolen. No more information
SIGHTING	24/10/2019	158/70 NM OFF PORT GENTIL, GABON	On 24th October 2019 at 1045UTC, incoming information reported a possible pirate attack against an offshore support vessel in position 01°46'00"S 009°09'00"E. Later that day, Gabonese patrols boats joined the area of the event and escorted her to PORT GENTIL, GABON. Once inport, the investigation led by the GABONESE authorities indicated that the vessel wasn't attacked but was in need of a medical support. MDAT-GoG comment : this event was related in ADVISORY 001/OCT/19 and its ADVISORIY 001/OCT/19.

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:**
One incident reported.
- (6) **Sighting – Irregular activity:**
One incident reported.

WARNINGS

Nil WARNING Notices issued this week

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ADVISORIES

ADVISORY 001/OCT/19 issued on 24 OCT 2019

ADVISORY 001/OCT/19 UPDATE 01 issued on 24 OCT 2019

MARITIME CRIME

1 Maritime Criminal 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 25th October 2019