



MDAT – GoG

Weekly Report 12-20

13th – 20th March 2020

INCIDENT DISPOSITION

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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.

Three 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>

(Only with Google Chrome or Firefox)

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
ATTEMPTED BOARDING	19/03/20	217/22NM off Douala, CAMEROUN	<p>On 19th March at 2345UTC, in position 03°40N – 009°25E, an MV (NAME WITHHELD) had been attacked by 8 armed people in a boat. Pirates fled after shots was fired between them and the security team. Ship and crew were reported safe.</p> <p>MDAT-GoG comment: This event refers to WARNING 002/MAR/20.</p>
Suspicious Approach	15/03/20	327/4NM off Soyo, ANGOLA	<p>On 15th March at 1605UTC, in position 06°04'32S - 012°18'26E, while at anchorage, a supply vessel (NAME WITHHELD) was approached by two skiffs with 4 and 6 persons on board. The alarm was raised and SSAS was activated. The skiffs changed their course to Congo River after noticing the vessels alert. The port authorities were informed and a patrol boat was dispatched to the area. Vessel and crew were reported safe.</p> <p>MDAT-GoG comment: This event was a Time Late Report.</p>
Theft	19/03/20	207/7NM off Lagos, NIGERIA	<p>On the 19th March at 0045UTC, in position 06°18'48N - 003°21'18E, an intruder was found on the deck of an MT (NAME WITHHELD) by the deck patrol. The security team member used warning shots and the alarm on board was raised that caused the intruder to flee. Nigerian Navy patrol was dispatched on the scene. Ship and crew were reported safe.</p> <p>MDAT-GoG comment: Nil.</p>

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

WARNINGS

One WARNING Notice issued this week

WARNING 002/MAR/2020: An MV has been attacked in position 03°40N – 009°25E (Douala Anchorage) the 19th of March, 2020 at 23:45 UTC by 8 armed people in a boat. The attack is finished and both the MV and crew are safe. **Mariners are advised to exercise extreme caution in this area.**

WARNING 002/MAR/2020 UPDATE 01: An MV has been attacked in position 03°40N – 009°25E (Douala Anchorage, CAMEROON) the 19th of March, 2020 at 23:45 UTC by 8 armed people in a boat. The attack is finished and MV and crew were reported safe. **This incident is now classified as an ATTEMPTED BOARDING.**

ADVISORIES

Nil ADVISORY Notices issued this week

MARITIME CRIME

One Maritime Crime Activity reported this week

NIGERIA, Lagos : Theft.

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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