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# 2019

## Maritime Domain Awareness for Trade Gulf Of Guinea



Biannual Report

January - June 2019





# MDAT-GoG

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#### OVERVIEW

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](mailto:watchkeepers@mdat-gog.org). Phone number is monitored permanently (+33 (0)298 22 88 88).

Masters are encouraged to comply with [Global Counter Piracy Guidance](#) during their presence in Voluntary Reporting Area.

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 and our ability to contact Local Navy 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.

**Fair winds and following seas!**

#### NOTICES

Any queries regarding these Advisory Notices, contact us 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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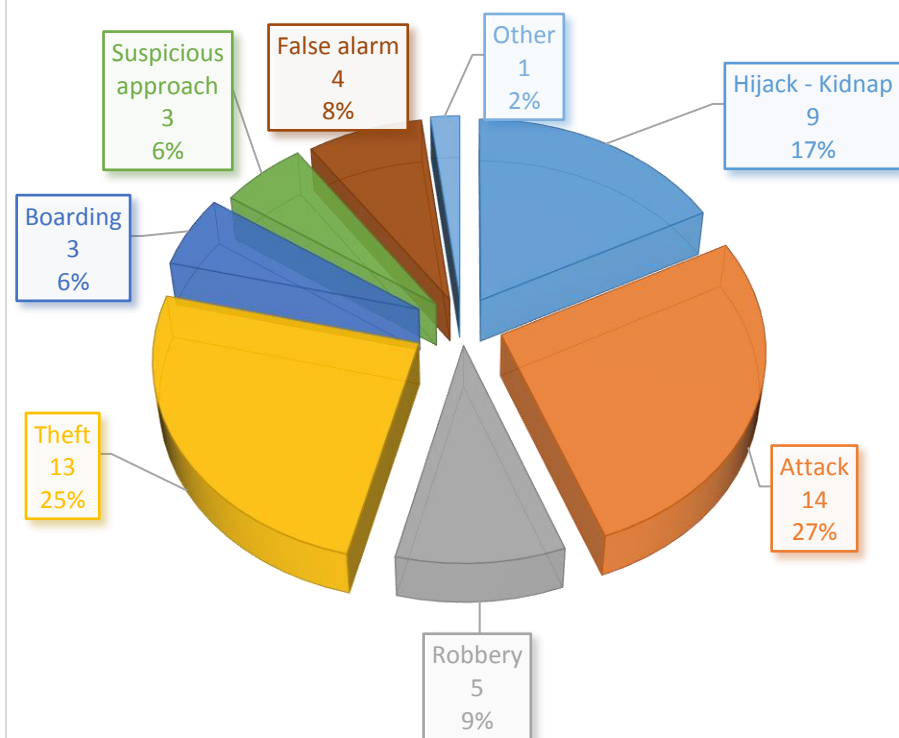
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53 events have been reported to MDAT-GoG for the first part of 2019, Serials 000/19 to 053/19.

## INCIDENTS JANUARY -JUNE 2019

**CLASSIFICATIONS**

**Hijack:** Vessel taken by attacker, no longer under the control of the Master.

**Attack:** Use of weapons by assailants at vessel or boarding with intent to take-control of the vessel.

**Boarding:** Assailants board a vessel with intention to take control of the vessel.

**Suspicious approach:** Close approach with unknown-

**Robbery:** Theft realized in territorial waters with threat/violence to crew.

**Theft:** Theft realized in territorial waters with no violence.

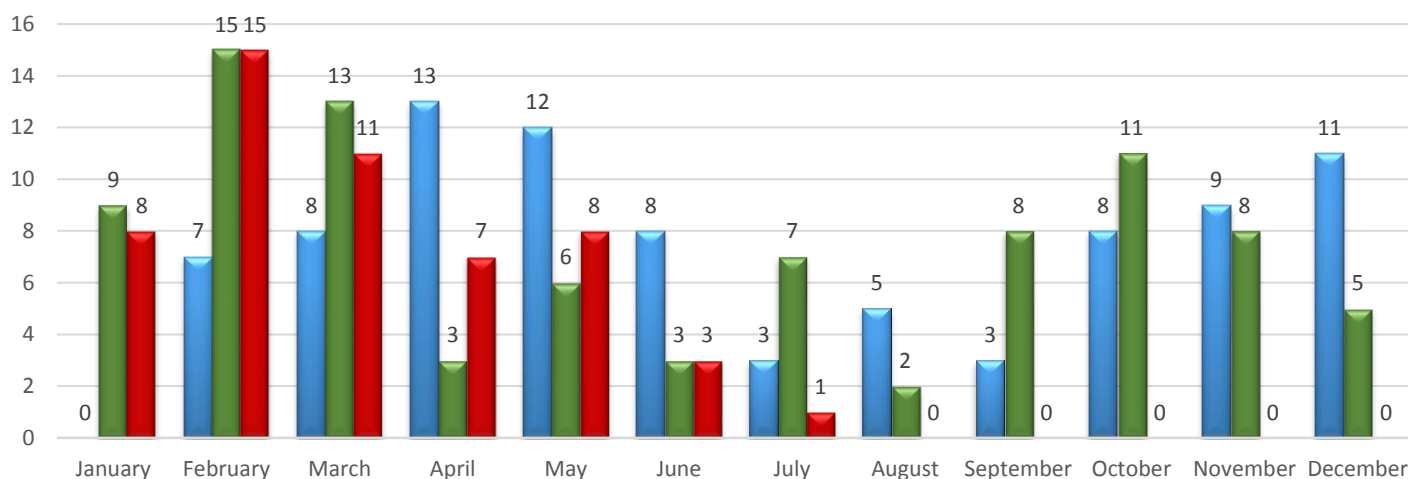
**Sighting and Irregular activity:** All suspicious information with no proof of intent to board the vessel.

**INCIDENTS reported**

- Hijack: 9
- Attack: 14
- Boarding: 3
- Susp. approach: 3
- Robbery: 5
- Theft: 13
- Sighting – Irr. activity: 0

## Number of Incidents Reported

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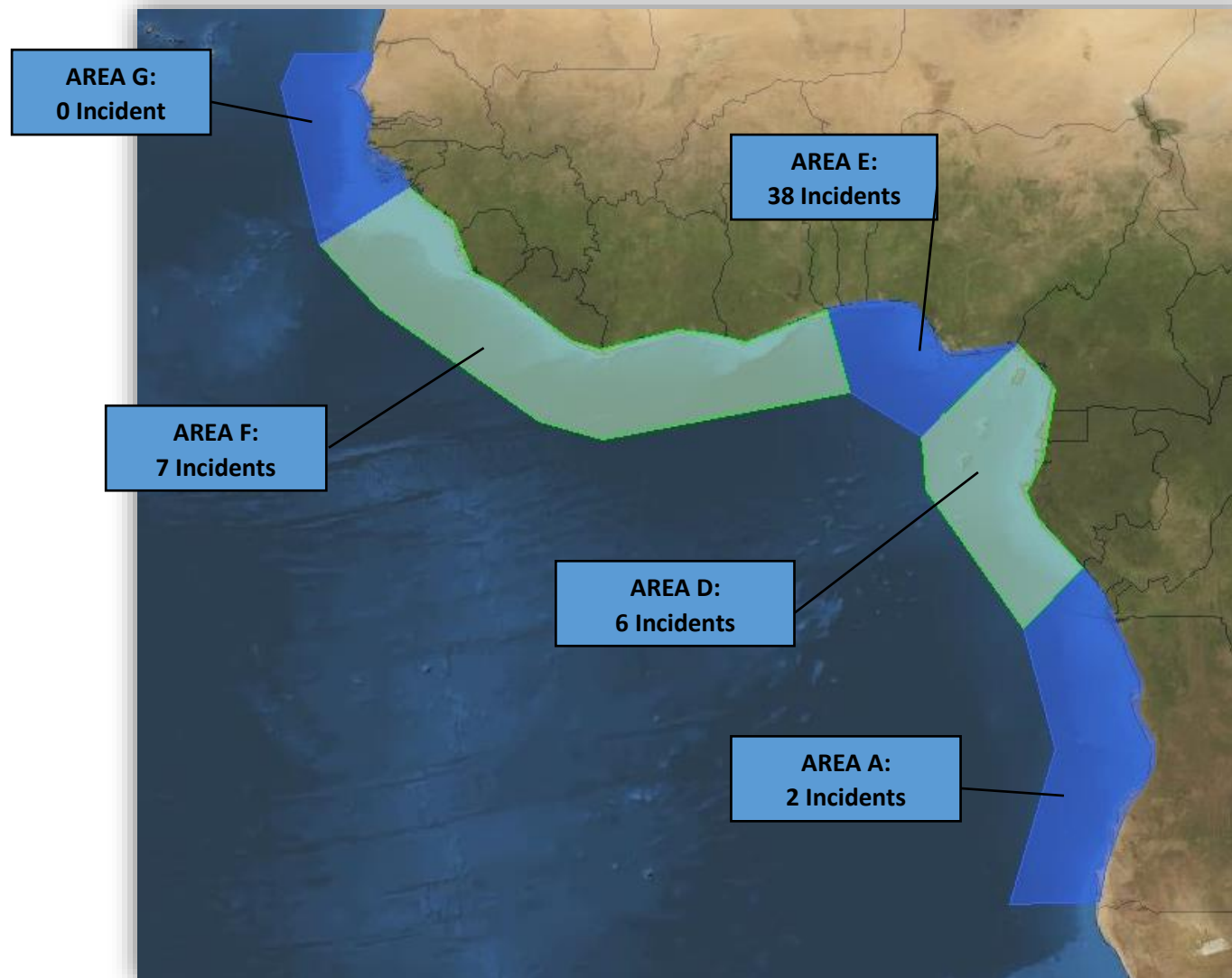


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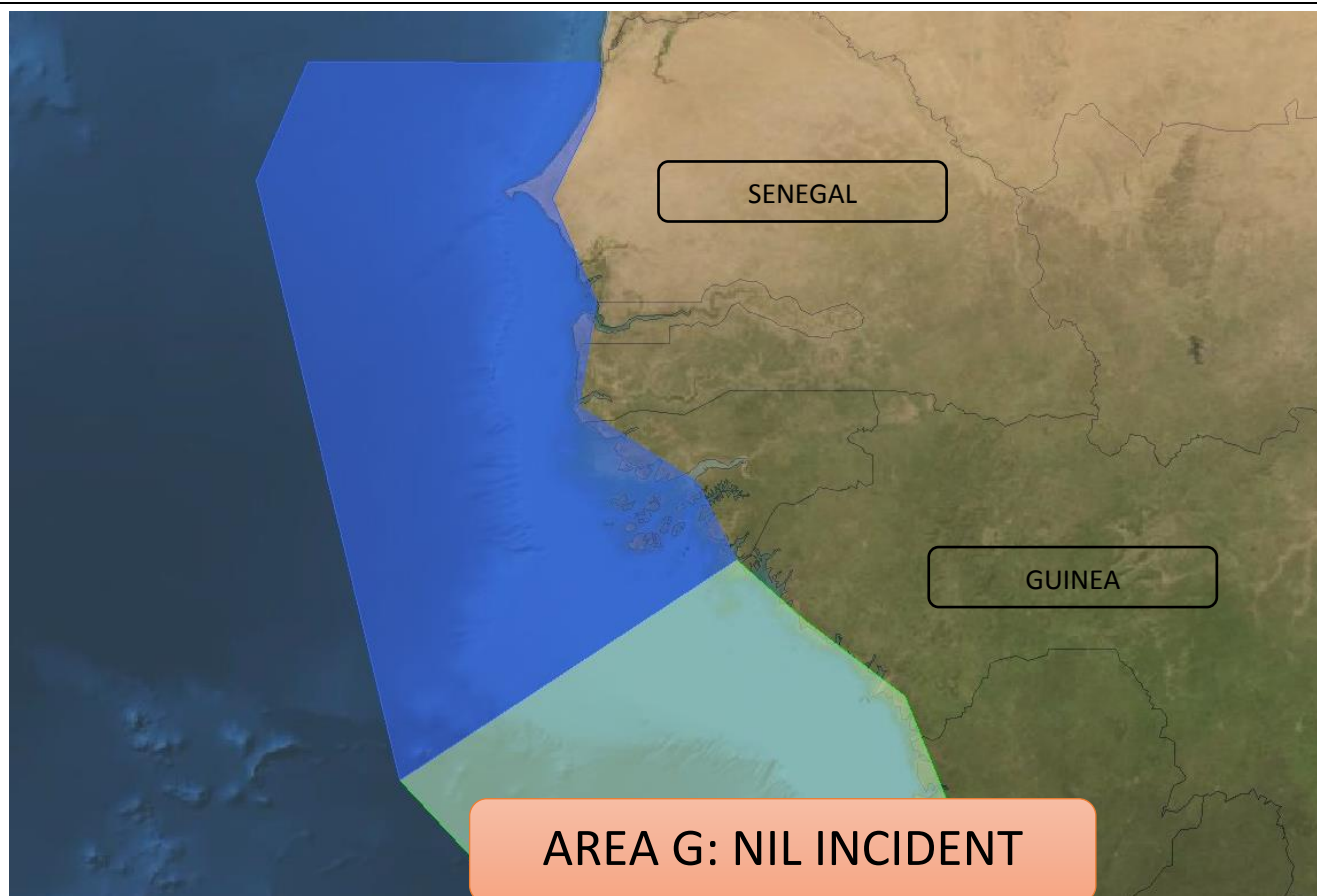
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LOCAL MAP OF INCIDENTS

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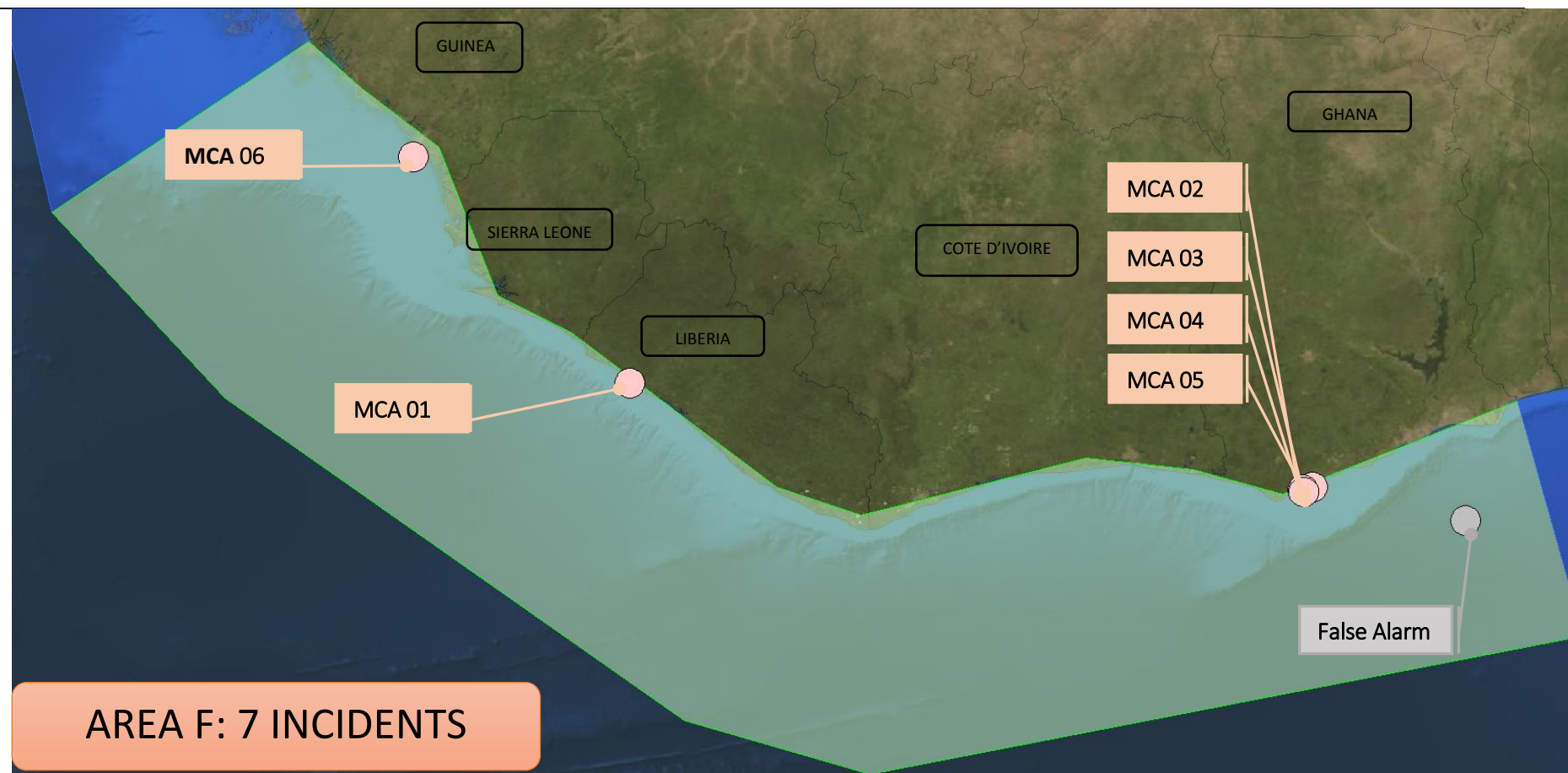
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HIJACK	ATTACK-BOARDING	SIGHTING – IRREGULAR ACT SUSPICIOUS APPROACH	THEFT - ROBBERY	SEARCH AND RESCUE - MISC
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MCA : MARITIME CRIME ACTIVITY

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Incident 005/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	False Alarm	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Undefined
<b><u>Date</u></b>	24 Jan. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	15:15
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°29'19N – 000°30'58E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	204/76 off Tema GHANA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 1515UTC in position 04° 29'19"N 000°30'58"E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported a small speed craft with 5 POB following her course at 3NM. The MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) uses whistle and flashed search light at it. At 1600UTC the small craft withdrew. In total, the MV had been followed for 40 minutes.

With all the elements known by MDAT and because there was no increase of the threat, this incident is classified as False Alarm.

**Duration of Attack:**

40 minutes.

**Method Of Approach:**

Following the ship.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Small speed craft.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-04, Monthly 19-01.](#)

**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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## MARITIME CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Maritime Crime Activity 01	Event 010/19
<b>LIBERIA, Monrovia</b> <b>Description:</b> On Saturday 09 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 0340UTC, a robber managed to climb up on board of an MV ( <b>NAME WITHHELD</b> ) and stole cans of lub oil. Once spotted by the deck patrol, he escaped. Ship and Crew are safe.  <b>Method Of Approach:</b> Unknown.  <b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> 10 Cans (20Ltrs) of Lub Oil stolen.  <b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-07, Monthly 19-02.	

Maritime Crime Activity 02	Event 018/19
<b>GHANA, Takoradi</b> <b>Description:</b> On 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2019, at approximately 0300-0400UTC, at Takoradi anchorage (position 04°54'18N / 001°40'W) more than 20 cans of paint were stolen from the paint locker (poop deck) of an MV ( <b>NAME WITHHELD</b> ). In spite of crew patrolling the ship, no intruders were caught and nothing abnormal was observed. Nobody injured, ship was safe.  <b>Method Of Approach:</b> Razo wire deferred without damage.  <b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> 20 paint cans stolen.  <b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-09, Monthly 19-02	



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Maritime Crime Activity 03	Event 021/19
<b>GHANA, Aboadze</b> <b>Description:</b> On the 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 in the early hours 30 cans of paint were reported stolen from an MV ( <b>NAME WITHHELD</b> ) anchored in Aboadze, GHANA. The perpetrators boarded from the stern and broke open the paint store. No damage to the crew or vessel were reported.  <b>Method Of Approach:</b> unknown.  <b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> 30 cans of paint stolen  <b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-09, Monthly 19-02.	

Maritime Crime Activity 04	Event 029/19
<b>GHANA, Takoradi</b> <b>Description:</b> On 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2019, at 0420UTC, at Takoradi anchorage, two AB's reported 4 persons on the aft deck armed with knives during a routine security round. Once discovered, the robbers escaped in a blue fishing canoe. A port patrol boat arrived on scene to assist the MV ( <b>NAME WITHHELD</b> ); Ship and Crew are reported safe.  <b>Method Of Approach:</b> Approach with a blue fishing canoe  <b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> Small items stolen from container.  <b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-12, Monthly 19-03.	

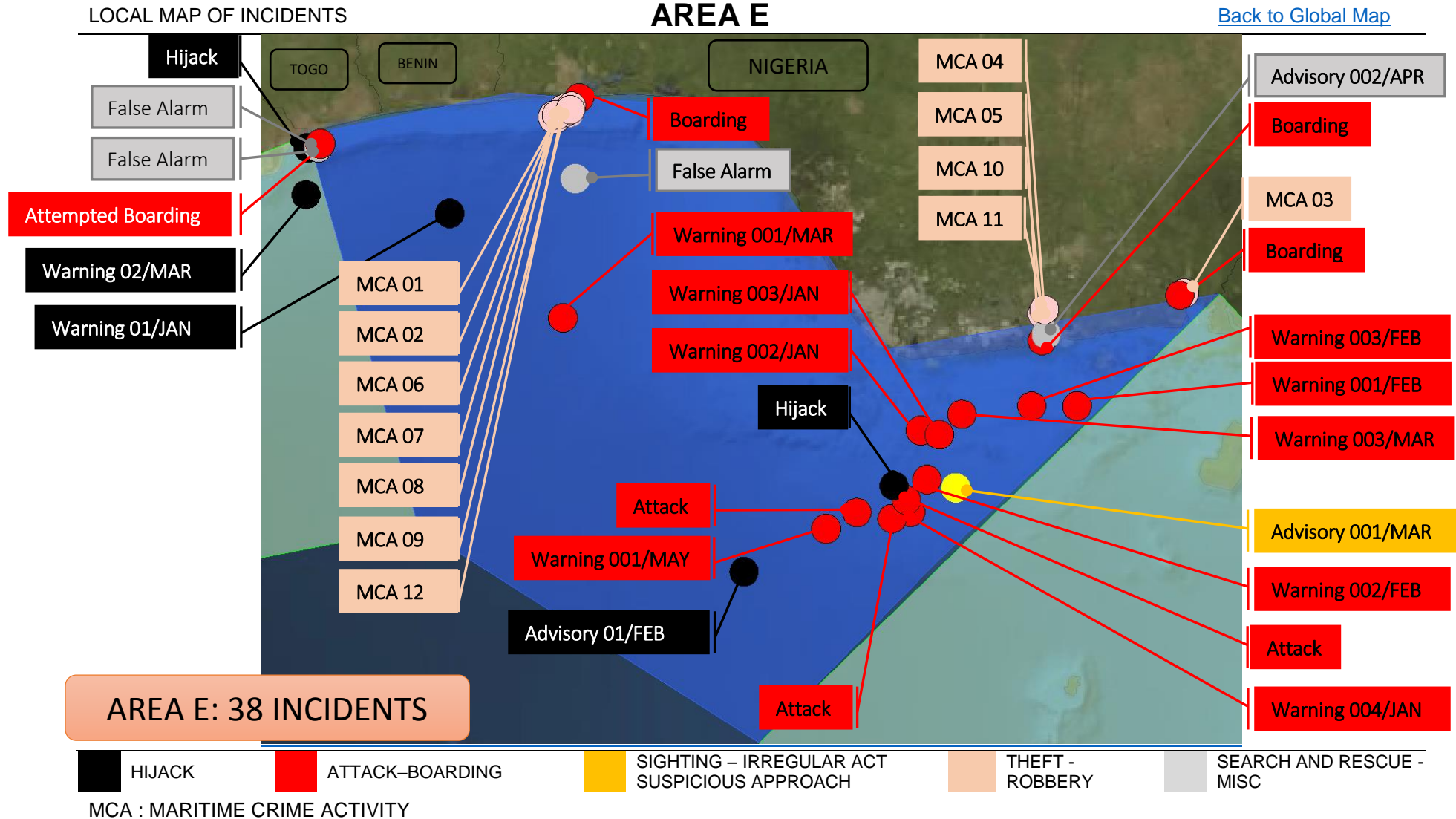
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Maritime Crime Activity 05	Event 0034/19
<b>GHANA, Takoradi Anchorage:</b> <b>Description:</b> On the 29 <sup>th</sup> March at 0236UTC, 3 people boarded an MV ( <b>NAME WITHHELD</b> ) at Takoradi port anchorage. As soon they were spotted by the duty officer the alarm raised they left the MV in a small craft. Vessel and crew were reported safe.  <b>Method Of Approach:</b> Approximately 10 minutes.  <b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> 80 LTRS of paint.  <b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-14.	

Maritime Crime Activity 06	Event 048/19
<b>GUINEA, Conakry</b> <b>Description:</b> An MV ( <b>NAME WITHHELD</b> ) was boarded at the Guinea Anchorage on 14 <sup>th</sup> May 19. The incident occurred at position 09°23' N 013°43' W at about 0142UTC. The perpetrators boarded the vessel by means of a speed boat and a ladder and took personal belongings of crew members. They were armed with knives and PMAK-47. One of the crewmember was a victim of a violent act and the crew were threatened. Investigations are in progress.  <b>Method Of Approach:</b> Board with the help of a hook threw to the MT.  <b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> None  <b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-20, Monthly 19-05.	



## DETAIL OF INCIDENTS

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Incident 001/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	02 Jan. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	00:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	05°28N – 002°21E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	185/51NM off Cotonou BENIN
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 at 0000UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked in position 05°28N - 002°21E. The ship is safe.

**Duration of Attack:**

Unknown

**Method Of Approach:**

Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Unknown.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC COTONOU.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 001/JAN](#), [Weekly 19-01](#), [Monthly 19-01](#).

**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 004/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	False Alarm	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Undefined
<b><u>Date</u></b>	21 Jan. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	12:55
<b><u>Position</u></b>	05°45'54N – 003°22'30E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	183/34NM off Lagos NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 at 1255UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) in position 05°45'54N/003°22'30E reported a suspicious speed craft (speed 23 knts) at 4 NM off her position. After monitoring and updating the situation with the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) and her CSO, the situation became safe and clear without threat. With all the elements known by MDAT and because there was no increase of the threat, this incident is classified as False Alarm.

**Duration of Attack:**

1H.

**Method Of Approach:**

None.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Speed craft.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MRCC Lagos.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-04](#), [Monthly 19-01](#).**INCIDENT CLOSED**



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Incident 006/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	24 Jan. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	19:33
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°42'01N – 006°10'30E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	233/72 off Bonny, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Partly Cloudy Skies Wind: SW x 4 Moderate Sea Swell: 0.3 M

**Description:**

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 1933UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by a skiff in position 03°42'01"N 006°10'30"E. Despite an exchange of fire from the attackers, vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:**

Unknown.

**Method Of Approach:**

Following the ship.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Unseen.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Impacts from gunshots.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC BONNY , NIGERIAN NAVY

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 002/JAN/19, Weekly 19-04 and Monthly 19-01](#)

**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 007/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	25 Jan. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	00:15
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°42'01N – 006°10'30E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	228/67 off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Partly Cloudy Skies Wind: SW x 4 Moderate Sea Swell: 0.3 M

**Description:**

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 0015UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by a skiff with 5-7 POB in position 03°40'48"N - 006°19'00"E. Despite an exchange of fire from the attackers, the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) applied BMP 5 procedures and increased the distance with the skiff. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:**

10 – 15 Minutes

**Method Of Approach:**

From Port beam backing out going towards the stern and approach the starboard quarter.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Wooden or plastic skiff.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Impacts from gunshots.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC BONNY, NIGERIAN NAVY.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 003/JAN/19, Weekly 19-04 and Monthly 19-01.](#)

**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 008/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	25 Jan. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	15:35
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°02N – 006°05E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	217/104 off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Clear skies, Wind: BF2 – NW, Sea: Slight, Swell: Low

**Description:**

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 1530UTC, an MT(**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by two skiffs with 7/8 POB in position 03°02N - 006°05E. The skiffs were equipped with machine guns and other weapons were lying inside them. They fired aerial shots several times and tried to board the MT (**NAME WITHHELD**). Duration of attack was approximately 37 minutes. After failing to board, they abandoned their attack and withdrew. Vessel and Crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:**

37 Minutes

**Method Of Approach:**

Originally seemed to pass clear of MT on starboard and then once at starboard beam they immediately altered course towards vessel heading straight towards the MT.

**Type of Vessel used:**

2 speed boats armed with machine guns.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC BONNY, MOC BRASS.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 004/JAN/19 update 1, Weekly 19-05 and Monthly 19-01.](#)**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 009/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	03 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	05:30
<b><u>Position</u></b>	02°33N – 004°44E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	232/182NM off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On Sunday 03<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 at approximately 0530UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**), in position 02°33,49N - 004°44,55E was attacked by pirates. A Nigerian Navy Launch Boat was despatched to the scene as well as a Beninese Patrol Boat.

**Duration of Attack:**

Unknown

**Method Of Approach:**

Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Unknown**Incident reported to**

MDAT, CMC AREA E, MOC LAGOS.

**MDAT Reference:** [Advisory 001/FEB](#), [Weekly 19-06](#) and [Monthly 19-02](#).**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 014/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	False Alarm	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Not concerned
<b><u>Date</u></b>	15 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	05:30
<b><u>Position</u></b>	06°00N – 001°12E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	Lome, TOGO
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	At Anchorage	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 0530UTC, in LOME anchorage, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by a skiff with 5 persons onboard. It is believed their intention was to board but the alarm was raised and TOGO Navy informed. The skiff escaped. A TOGO Navy patrol boat searched the surrounding area. Nothing was reported stolen. The vessel and the crew were reported safe.

*MDAT-GOG comment: This events was a time late report and no Advisory notice or Warning Notice were released. After further investigation, it seems that the skiff was just a fishing boat.*

**Duration of Attack:** Not applicable.

**Method Of Approach:** Not applicable.

**Type of Vessel used:** Fishing boats.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Not applicable

**Incident reported to:** MDAT, TOGO NAVY

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-07](#) and [Monthly 19-02](#).

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Incident 016/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	21 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	00:16
<b><u>Position</u></b>	02°59N – 005°56E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	220/112NM off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Cloudy 13.2Kts WSW Slight sea (1m)

**Description:**

On 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019, at 0016UTC in position 02°59'30"N – 005°56'36"E, a speedboat manned by 4 to 6 POB dressed in black approached an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**), an attempt to board was made, but didn't succeed due to evasive manoeuvring. A second violent boarding was attempted and shots were fired towards vessel bridge. They failed to board and left. No crew were injured.

*MDAT-GOG comment: This events was a time late report and no Advisory notice or Warning Notice were released.*

**Duration of Attack:** 1 hour

**Method Of Approach:** One speed boat, several shots fired on the MV. Trials of boarding.

**Type of Vessel used:** Speed boat

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Not Applicable.

**Incident reported to:** MDAT.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-07.](#)

**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 017/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	21 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	12:20
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°54N – 007°26E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	148/36NM off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On the 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019 at approximately 1220UTC, a distress call on chanel 72 sent by an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reporting that she was attacked by pirates in position 03°54N – 007°26E. Further information collected suggested that the attack occurred 2 or 3 hours earlier. The crew launched the distress call when they came out of the citadel at 1220 UTC. The crew was reported safe but damages were reported to the wheelhouse.

**Duration of Attack:**

Unknown

**Method Of Approach:**

Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Damage to the wheelhouse.**Incident reported to**

MDAT.

**MDAT Reference:** [WARNING 001/FEB, Weekly 19-08 and Monthly 19-02.](#)**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 020/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	27 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	09:05
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°18N – 006°13'30E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	210/95NM off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Calm Weather, no swell

**Description:**

On 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019, at about 0905UTC, at about 55Nm from the shore, an MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by 2 speed boats with 8 armed pob dressed in black on -each speed boat. The sea pirates tried two times to board (one skiff on port side an the other one on starboard side) the vessel engaged anti piracy manoeuvres. They fired 4 to 6 times against the tanker. Crew mustered within citadel with the exception of the master. After several attempts to board, the attack was thwarted with the arrival of a security vessel who came to offer assistance. Crew and vessel were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:**

Almost 01h30

**Method Of Approach:**

Two skiffs attempting to board (one on each side) and automatic weapons were used against the MV.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Two speed boats

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil**Incident reported to**

MDAT, MOC BONNY, RMRCSS LAGOS, NIGERIAN NAVY.

**MDAT Reference:** [WARNING 002/FEB, Weekly 19-09 and Monthly 19-02.](#)**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 022/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	27 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	20:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°08N – 006°03'E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	270/70 off Brass NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On the 27th February 2019, at approximately 2000UTC, in position 03°08N - 006°03E, an MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) has been approached by two skiffs. When they were closed to the MT (**NAME WITHHELD**), they opened fire. The Nigerian Navy personnel onboard returned fire and the skiffs retreated. They followed the MT during a short time before giving up.

*MDAT-GOG Comment: This event was a time late report to MDAT so neither Advisory Notice nor Warning notice were released.*

**Duration of Attack:**

Unknown

**Method Of Approach:**

Two skiffs and automatic weapons were used against the MT.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Two speed boats

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil**Incident reported to**

MDAT, NIGERIAN NAVY, ICC YAOUNDE.

**MDAT Reference:** [This event was a time late report.](#)

**INCIDENT CLOSED**

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Incident 023/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	28 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	08:25
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°54N – 007°04E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	210/55NM off Bonny NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Sea 0/1 Visibility >5 NM

**Description:**

On the 28th February 2019 at 0825UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by pirates on 2 skiffs. It was reported that 7 to 9 pirates were on each skiff. The attack was thwarted by the arrival of a security vessel coming for assistance and support. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:**

5-6 Minutes.

**Method Of Approach:**

Two skiffs attack the MV one on each side.

**Type of Vessel used:**

Two Speed boats armed with automatic weapons.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Bridge windows destroyed by gunshots

**Incident reported to :**

MDAT.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 003/FEB](#), [Warning 003/FEB Update 1](#), [Weekly 19-09](#) and [Monthly 19-02](#).

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Incident 024/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	02 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	12:30
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°37'N – 003°16'E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	184/107 off Lagos, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Clear, SW - 7-8Knots, 2 BF, Low Swell

**Description:** On Saturday 02<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at 1230UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked in position 04°37'N - 003°16'E. All the crew mustered in citadel. A civilian security vessel and a Nigerian Navy Ship were dispatched to the scene. The crew left the citadel on the 03<sup>rd</sup> March early in the morning after having confirmation about the pirates leaving the vessel. Crew and ship were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:** 45minutes.

**Method Of Approach:** 1 attempted boarding before succeeding on the second try.

**Type of Vessel used:** 1 Speed craft with 9 pirates on board armed with automatic weapons.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Broken windows (bullet holes).

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, RMRCC Lagos, Nigerian Navy.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 001/MAR/19, Weekly 19-10 and Monthly 19-03.](#)

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Incident 025/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	03 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	19:40
<b><u>Position</u></b>	05°37N – 001°16E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	180/30 off Lome, TOGO
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:** On the 03<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 at 1940UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked in position 05°37N – 001°16E. The crew mustered in the citadel and a Togolese Patrol Boat was dispatched to the scene to assist the MV. After sunrise, the crew exited the citadel with the assistance of the Togolese Navy and the ship returned to Lome Anchorage for further judicial investigation.

**Duration of Attack:** Not stated.

**Method Of Approach:** Not stated.

**Type of Vessel used:** Not stated.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Ship's equipment destroyed.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, RMRCC Monrovia, Togo Navy, RMRCC Lagos, Ghana Navy.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 002/MAR/19, Weekly 19-10 and Monthly 19-03.](#)

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Incident 026/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Suspicious Approach	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	08 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	15:50
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°14N – 006°27E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	210/82 off Bonny, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Good visibility, Southerly Wind BF 2, Calm Seas

**Description:** On the 08<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 1550UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**), in position 03°14N - 006°27E was approached to 2 cables by two skiffs with 5-6 persons on each board. The skiffs aborted the manoeuvre when they noticed the presence of a security escort vessel advised via VHF. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:** Approximately 6 minutes.

**Method Of Approach:** Try crossing the vessel's bow from port to starboard.

**Type of Vessel used:** 2 Skiffs with green hull.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT, MOC Bonny.

**MDAT Reference:** [Advisory 001/MAR/19](#), [Weekly 19-11](#) and [Monthly 19-03](#).

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Incident 027/19

<b><u>Category:</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident:</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date:</u></b>	09 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC):</u></b>	15:50

<b><u>Position:</u></b>	03°50N – 006°30E	<b><u>Bearing / Range:</u></b>	226/51 off Bonny, NIGERIA
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<b><u>Status of Vessel:</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack:</u></b>	Unknown
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**Description:** On the 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 1550UTC, in position 03°50N-006°30E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by two skiffs. The security ship and the pirates exchanged gunfire and a casualty was reported. The ship was reported at Bonny Anchorage on 11<sup>th</sup> March for judicial investigation.

**Duration of Attack:** Not stated.

**Method Of Approach:** One skiff shot on security vessel while the other one boarded the MV.

**Type of Vessel used:** 2 Skiffs.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Not stated.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC Bonny, MOC Brass, CMC DOUALA, ICC Yaounde, RMRCC Lagos.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 003/MAR/19, Weekly 19-11 and Monthly 19-03.](#)

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Incident 032/19

<b><u>Category:</u></b>	Boarding	<b><u>Status of Incident:</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date:</u></b>	31 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC):</u></b>	00:20

<b><u>Position:</u></b>	06°24N – 003°23E	<b><u>Bearing / Range:</u></b>	Depart from APAPA, NIGERIA
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<b><u>Status of Vessel:</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack:</u></b>	Unknown
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**Description:** On the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 at 0020UTC, while on departure from Apapa in position 06°24N – 003°23E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by a small skiff with 6 POB. They managed to attach a ladder in order to board the MV when one crew member spotted them and raised the alarm. The pirates fled. Ship and crew were reported safe.

**MDAT-GOG comment:** *This event was a time late report so neither Advisory notice nor Warning notice was released.*

**Duration of Attack:** Not stated.

**Method Of Approach:** One small skiff with 6 persons on board approaching after the leaving of the Pilot during manoeuvre.

**Type of Vessel used:** Small Skiff.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** .Unconcerned.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT, MOC LAGOS.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-14 and Monthly 19-03.](#)

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Incident 036/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	09 Apr. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	08 :15
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°15N – 005°57E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	180/46NM of Calabar, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Not stated

**Description:** On the 09<sup>th</sup> April at approximately 1220UTC in position 03°15.75N – 005°57.6E, a Spanish Navy patrol boat investigated the MV **MARIA SOLTIN** which was not transmitting AIS. A fast boat had left the vicinity of **MARIA SOLTIN** with 09 POB. During the investigation, the Captain reported to the Spanish Navy that they have been hijacked during a 4 day period and were threatened with AK-47 and 1 RPG. On board, nothing was stolen and nobody was injured.

**Duration of Attack:** Approximately 4 days.

**Method Of Approach:** Not stated.

**Type of Vessel used:** Fast boat.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT-GOG, ERCC CALABAR, NNS VICTORY

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-15 and Monthly 19-04.](#)

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Incident 037/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	10 Apr. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	00:50
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°02N – 005°39E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	220/85NM of Brass, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	Adrift	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Weather : Cloudy Wind: SSW-6kn Swell: S-1m

**Description:** On the 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019, at 0050UTC, a merchant vessel (**NAME WITHHELD**) was underway off the Nigerian coast. The Nigerian Armed Security Team's duty officer recognised two targets (small speed boat) with 6-7 persons each approaching the vessel from starboard quarter. The Security team started firing and then, the boats turned away. The crew and the vessel were safe.

**MDAT-GOG Comment:** *This event was a time late report to MDAT so neither Advisory Notice nor Warning notice were released.*

**Duration of Attack:** Approximately 15 minutes.

**Method Of Approach:** Advanced Method.

**Type of Vessel used:** Two speed boats.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT-GOG, Nigerian Navy.

**MDAT Reference:** [Monthly 19-04.](#)

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Incident 038/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	15 Apr. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	20:51
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°28N – 007°10E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	000/01NM of Bonny, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	At Anchorage	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:** On the 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2051UTC, a tanker (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked around the position 04°28N – 007°10E by four armed pirates on a speed boat. Two of them managed to board the tanker and exchanged fire with embarked guards while the crew were mustered in citadel. The intruders fled and two security vessels in the vicinity responded to the incident. Crew and vessel were reported safe.

**MDAT-GOG Comment:** *This event was a time late report to MDAT so neither Advisory Notice nor Warning notice were released.*

**Duration of Attack:** Unknown.

**Method Of Approach:** Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:** One speed boat.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Not stated.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT-GOG, Nigerian Navy.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-16, Monthly 19-04.](#)

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Incident 039/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Other	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	19 Apr. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	13 :30
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°28N – 007°10E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	000/01NM of Bonny, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	At Anchorage	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:** On the 19<sup>th</sup> April at approximately 1330UTC, an MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) was boarded by 6 pirates while the MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) was at Bonny Anchorage (04°28.5N - 007°10.7E). The Nigerian Navy came on scene and investigation is still ongoing.

**Update on 23/05/19:** After a press statement from NIMASA informing that MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) is involved in illegal activities as bunkering, illicit trade. The piracy attack seemed to occur after a disagreement between the pirates and the crew of MT (**NAME WITHHELD**). So now, it is not classified as piracy incident.

**Duration of Attack:** Unknown.

**Method Of Approach:** Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:** Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil

**Incident reported to:**

ICC YAOUNDE, MOC BONNY, MCC ZONE E, NIGERIAN NAVY.

**MDAT Reference:** [ADVISORY 002/APR](#), Weekly 19-17 and Monthly 19-04.

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Incident 043/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	03 May. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	20:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	02°58.25N – 005°16.12E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	230/137NQ off Bonny, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Cloudy sky, gentle breeze, slight sea, good visibility

**Description:** On the 03<sup>rd</sup> May at 2050UTC, an MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by a skiff in position 02°54.50N - 005°24.40E. Shots were fired. The MT performed evasive manoeuvres, increased speed and finally the pursuit ended with skiff falling behind. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:** 30 Minutes.

**Method Of Approach:** Aggressive with a use of weapons.

**Type of Vessel used:** Skiff.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC Bonny, MOC Brass, Lagos Navy Command.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 001/May/19](#), [Weekly 19-19](#) and [Monthly 19-05](#).

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Incident 047/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	12 May. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	01:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	06°00N – 001°12E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	Lome Anchorage, TOGO
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:** On the 12<sup>th</sup> May around 0100UTC at Lome Anchorage, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported as attacked by pirates. Due to the quick and immediate intervention of the Togolese Navy (simultaneous deployment of a fast patrol craft and two patrol boats) and the action of Togo navy assault team, the 7 crew members were released and the 8 pirates were all captured and handed over to the investigating authorities of Lome.

**Duration of Attack:** More than 3 Hours

**Method Of Approach:** Boarding when the MV was at anchorage with use of weapons, then they sailed before being noticed by the Port control.

**Type of Vessel used:** None.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Unknown.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT, Togo Navy.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-20 and Monthly 19-05.](#)

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Incident 050/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	False Alarm	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Not concerned
<b><u>Date</u></b>	06 Jun. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	04:58
<b><u>Position</u></b>	06°00.33N – 001°17.49E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	180/08NQ off Lomé, TOGO
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	At Anchorage	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Visibility - Good Wind - SW Force 5/6 Sea - Sight to Moderate Swell - Low

**Description:** On the 06<sup>th</sup> June at 0458UTC in position 06°00.33N - 001°17.49E, while the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was at anchorage, a wooden ship (without light and with 7 POB) has approached it. The crew raised the alarm and has activated the fire hose spray. The Togo Navy was informed about this event and informed the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) that the skiff is classified as a fishing vessel. The MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) stood alert with the activation of the anti-piracy hoses so did the other ships around. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:** Approximately 10 minutes.

**Method Of Approach:** Closing approach.

**Type of Vessel used:** Wooden ship.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil

**Incident reported to:**  
Togo Navy, Port Authority, MDAT.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-23 and Monthly 19-06.](#)

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Incident 051/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Boarding	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	10 Jun. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	13:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°48N – 008°16E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	194/12NQ off Calabar, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:** On the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at approximately 1300UTC in Calabar Channel, a Cameroon flagged cabotage vessel (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by unidentified men. The ship and the crew were later escorted by a tug to Limbé (Cameroon).

**MDAT-GOG Comment:** This events was a time late report to MDAT-GOG

**Duration of Attack:** Unknown.

**Method Of Approach:** Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:** Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Unknown

**Incident reported to:**

Local Authorities, ICC Yaoundé.

**MDAT Reference:** [Monthly 19-06.](#)

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Incident 19/053

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Boarding	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	30 Jun. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	23:25
<b><u>Position</u></b>	06°01.9N – 001°18.65E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	172/7NM off Lome, TOGO
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	At Anchorage	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Clear; Wind: 5kn-SSW Smooth Sea / Swell 1.0

**Description:** On the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 2325UTC, a skiff with 6 armed persons approached the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) in order to board it. The crew alerted immediately the local navy and activated fire hoses on deck. The skiff aborted the attempt to board the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) when they noticed the alertness of the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) and the razor wires around it. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**MDAT-GOG Comment:** This events was a time late report to MDAT-GOG.

**Duration of Attack:** Approximately 5 minutes.

**Method Of Approach:** Aggressive approach by the forward of the MV.

**Type of Vessel used:** Skiff.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil.

**Incident reported to:**

Local Authorities, Togo Navy, MDAT.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-27.](#)

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## Maritime Crime Activity 01

Event 002/19

**NIGERIA, Lagos**

**Description:** On Thursday 03<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 at 2325UTC, an MT (**NAME WITHHELD**) was boarded by two robbers during a cargo operation. Once spotted by the duty AB, they jumped to the water. Vessel and crew are safe.

**Method Of Approach:** Using a craft like a canoe rowing to the MV. No use of motor.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Monthly 19-01.

## Maritime Crime Activity 02

Event 003/19

**NIGERIA, Lagos**

**Description:** On Monday 07<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 0110UTC, 4-5 persons attempted to board an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) at Lagos Port. They escaped when the general alarm was raised. A Nigerian Navy Boat came to assist the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**). Ship and crew are safe.

**Method Of Approach:** High speed skiff.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Weekly 19-02 and Monthly 19-01

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## Maritime Crime Activity 03

Event 011/19

**NIGERIA, Parrot Island**

**Description:** On Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at approximately 1230UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by unknown armed men on board one speed boat close to Parrot Island.

**MDAT-GOG comment:** *MDAT did not release Advisory Notice neither Warning Notice as the incident looked like more as a criminal activity inside Nigerian Territorial Water.*

**Method Of Approach:** One speed boat, several shots fired on the MV.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Properties robbed.

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Weekly 19-07 and Monthly 19-02.

## Maritime Crime Activity 04

Event 013/19

**NIGERIA, Onne**

**Description:** On the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019, at approximately 0210UTC, at Federal Light Terminal (FLT), ONNE PORT, Nigeria, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was approached by a canoe. The sea thieves climbed on board the OSV undetected by the crew on ISPS duty. The port security services spotted the canoe and alerted the Nigerian Navy. As soon as the Navy patrol boat approached the sea thieves escaped on board the canoe chased by Navy. The sea thieves jumped into the water and swam to the bank and escaped. Tins of paint were found in the canoe.

**Method Of Approach:** One canoe manned by sea thieves boarded the vessel as she was berthed.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Properties robbed.

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Weekly 19-08 and Monthly 19-02.

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## Maritime Crime Activity 05

Event 015/19

**NIGERIA, Onne**

**Description:** On 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019, at approximately 2240UTC, at Federal Ocean Terminal (FOT), ONNE PORT, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) sent a distress call after 4 unknown persons gained access on-board vessel. The ONNE Port Navy have been informed and responded to the alert call which led to the arrest of 3 suspect, the last one jumped into water and escaped. The suspects were caught with six batteries which should have been stolen from the vessel.

**Method Of Approach:** canoe along the board as the vessel was berthed.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** 6 batteries possibly stolen from the vessel.

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Weekly 19-08 and Monthly 19-02

## Maritime Crime Activity 06

Event 030/19

**NIGERIA, Lagos**

**Description:** On the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019, at 2235UTC, at Lagos SAA Anchorage, a duty Watchkeeper spotted two thieves with a pipe line using for stealing gasoil stocked inside the MT's tank. Once spotted, the thieves escaped. A patrol security boat coming to assist the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported the arrest of the two thieves. Vessel and crew are reported safe.

**Method Of Approach:** Approach with a speed boat after hook and cut the barb wire.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** 65 MT of gasoil stolen form the tank

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Weekly 19-12 and Monthly 19-03.

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Maritime Crime Activity 07	Event 033/19
<p><b>NIGERIA, Lagos STS Area</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> On the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 0310UTC, at Lagos STS Area, a duty watch keeper on roving patrol noticed one person on board the MV (<b>NAME WITHHELD</b>) near a cargo tank and another person was hanging onto the railing. When the watch keeper raised the alarm, they both jumped into the water and left in a boat.</p> <p>There were approximately 7-8 persons visible in the boat. A patrol boat came to assist the MV (<b>NAME WITHHELD</b>). Vessel and Crew were reported safe.</p> <p><b>Method Of Approach:</b> Use of a boat with 2 outboard engines.</p> <p><b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-14.</p>	

Maritime Crime Activity 08	Event 040/19
<p><b>NIGERIA, Lagos</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> On the 24<sup>th</sup> April at 0215UTC, Duty AB while on deck round, reported three thieves on board near cargo tank. The ships alarm was raised immediately and the thieves jumped over board and fled away. NNS RANGER was informed about this incident and came to assist the MV (<b>NAME WITHHELD</b>). The ship and crew were reported safe.</p> <p><b>Method Of Approach:</b> Small Craft.</p> <p><b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> None.</p> <p><b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-17 and Monthly 19-04</p>	

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Maritime Crime Activity 09	Event 042/19
<p><b>NIGERIA; SAA Anchorage Lagos</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> On the 03<sup>rd</sup> May at 0010UTC, at Lagos SAA ANCHORAGE, a duty AB on routine rounds noticed two intruders near a cargo tank and notified the Officer of the Watch. The alarm was raised and upon hearing it, the intruders jumped overboard. A Nigerian Patrol Boat came to patrol in vicinity of the MT (NAME WITHHELD). Crew and ship were reported safe.</p> <p><b>Method Of Approach:</b> Board with the help of a hook threw to the MT.</p> <p><b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> None</p> <p><b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-19 and Monthly 19-05</p>	

Maritime Crime Activity 10	Event 046/19
<p><b>NIGERIA, Onne</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> On the 07<sup>th</sup> May at between 0230UTC and 0300UTC, a supply vessel (NAME WITHHELD) had been boarded by two people from a canoe. The intruders were spotted by a duty AB and fled while alarm was raised. It had been reported later that the intruders had boarded another vessel (NAME WITHHELD) nearby, probably before this event and had stolen some ship's equipment.</p> <p><b>Method Of Approach:</b> Use of a fishing canoe.</p> <p><b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> Ship's equipment stolen.</p> <p><b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-19 and Monthly 19-05.</p>	



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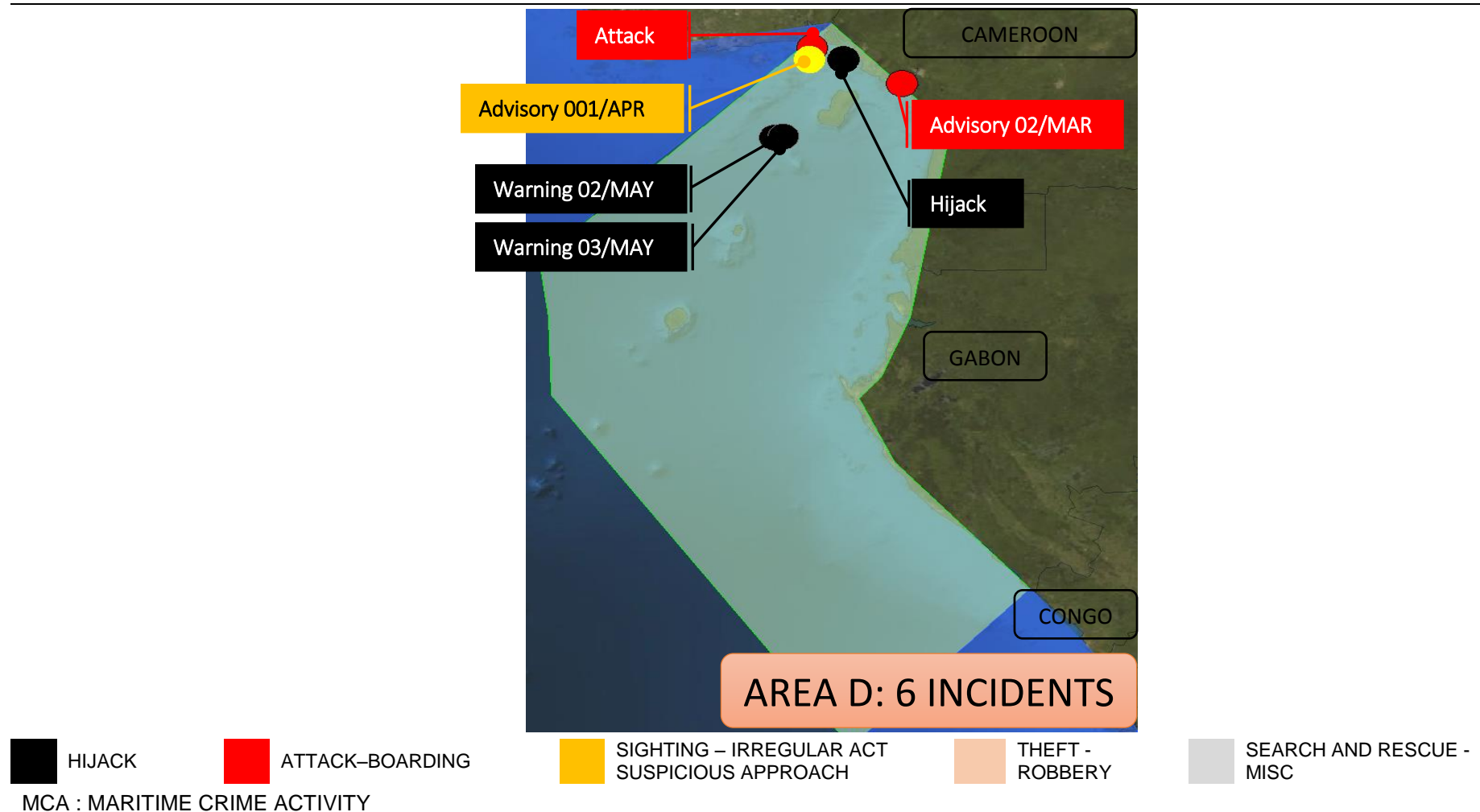
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Maritime Crime Activity 11	Event 049/19
<p><b>NIGERIA, Onne FLT</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> At the end of the night of 27<sup>th</sup> May, two people tried to attempt to board a supply vessel (<b>NAME WITHHELD</b>) at Onne FLT. Once spotted and the alarm raised, they immediately escaped with a small canoe. Vessel and crew were reported safe.</p> <p><b>Method Of Approach:</b> Use of a fishing canoe</p> <p><b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-22 and Monthly 19-05.</p>	

Maritime Crime Activity 12	Event 052/19
<p><b>NIGERIA, Lagos STS Offshore</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> On the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 0400UTC, two crew members have observed a boat with 3POB alongside the MT (<b>NAME WITHHELD</b>) while it was at Lagos Offshore STS Area. All crew were alerted and a Navy patrol boat came to assist the MT (<b>NAME WITHHELD</b>). The boat escaped with 2 moorings lines. Ship and crew were reported safe.</p> <p><b>Method Of Approach:</b> Use of a wooden boat.</p> <p><b>Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:</b> Two mooring ropes stolen.</p> <p><b>MDAT-GOG Reference:</b> Weekly 19-27 and Monthly 19-06.</p>	

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Incident 019/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	22 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	22:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°15N 008°45E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	210/7NM off Okbenekan Platform Idenao, CAMEROON
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

During the night of the 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019 (time undetermined), three fishing vessels (**NAME WITHHELD**) were attacked and boarded when operating offshore Idenao in CAMEROON waters.

**Duration of Attack:**

Unknown

**Method Of Approach:**

Unknown

**Type of Vessel used:**

Unknown

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC IDENAO

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-09 and Monthly 19-02.](#)**INCIDENT CLOSED.**

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Incident 028/19

<b><u>Category:</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident:</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date:</u></b>	20 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC):</u></b>	06:00

<b><u>Position:</u></b>	04°26N – 008°21E	<b><u>Bearing / Range:</u></b>	176/35 off Calabar, NIGERIA
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<b><u>Status of Vessel:</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack:</u></b>	Unknown
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**Description:** On 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019, at approximately 0600UTC, at Agbani, within territorial waters (04°26N - 008°21E / CALABAR AREA 06NM from the coast), a passenger boat (**NAME WITHHELD**) was attacked by 7 pirates armed with AK-47. They boarded the vessel and robbed the passengers (44) and crew members. The vessel has berthed safely at Shoreline Jetty (Calabar) around 1030UTC.

**MDAT-GOG comment:** *This events was a time late report and no Advisory notice or Warning Notice were released.*

**Duration of Attack:** Not stated.

**Method Of Approach:** Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:** Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Not stated.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT, ERCC Calabar.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-12 and Monthly 19-03.](#)

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Incident 031/19

<b><u>Category:</u></b>	Attack	<b><u>Status of Incident:</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date:</u></b>	30 Mar. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC):</u></b>	21:40

<b><u>Position:</u></b>	03°53N – 009°30E	<b><u>Bearing / Range:</u></b>	225/15 off Douala, CAMEROON
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<b><u>Status of Vessel:</u></b>	At Anchorage	<b><u>Weather during the Attack:</u></b>	Unknown
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**Description:** On the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 2140UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**), while at anchorage, was attacked in position 03°53'N 009°30'E (15nm of Douala, Cameroon). The investigation taken by the Navy are still on going. Vessel is reported secure.

*MDAT-GOG comment: This events was a time late report.*

**Duration of Attack:** Not stated.

**Method Of Approach:** Unknown.

**Type of Vessel used:** Unknown.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** None.

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT, CMC DOUALA.

**MDAT Reference:** [Advisory 002/MAR/19](#), [Weekly 19-14](#) and [Monthly 19-03](#).

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Incident 035/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Suspicious Approach	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Undefined
<b><u>Date</u></b>	08 Apr. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	08:15
<b><u>Position</u></b>	04°15N – 008°19E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	180/46NM of Calabar, NIGERIA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Not stated

**Description:** On the 08<sup>th</sup> April at 0851UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) had transmitted a distress call by VHF in position 04°15N - 008°19E. The MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) reported a suspicious approach by fishing canoes. The Nigerian Navy arrived on scene to secure the area. Nothing had been reported to suggest an increase in the threat. The Captain had taken appropriate actions. Vessel and crew were reported safe.

**Duration of Attack:** Unknown.

**Method Of Approach:** Not stated.

**Type of Vessel used:** Fishing Canoes

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil

**Incident reported to:**  
MDAT-GOG, ERCC CALABAR, NNS VICTORY

**MDAT Reference:** [Advisory 001/APR/19, Weekly 19-15 and Monthly 19-04.](#)

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Incident 044/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	05 May. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	12:16
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°03.2N – 007°52.3E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	239/48NQ off Luba, EQUATORIAL GUINEA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Clear, Wind Moderate, Swell 1.2M

**Description:** On the 05<sup>th</sup> May at 1216UTC in position 03°03.2N - 007°52.3E, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) has relayed to MDAT - GoG a distress call from an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) who was attacked by pirates and considered as hijacked. The Spanish Navy and Equato-Guinean Navy have coordinated successfully a joint operation in order to release the ship and the crew. The ship and crew were released safely on the 06<sup>th</sup> May and they have joined under escort Malabo port.

**Duration of Attack:** 23 hours.

**Method Of Approach:** Use of a hijacked tug as a Mother Ship.

**Type of Vessel used:** Zodiac

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Damage on ships, crew's belonging stolen

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC Bonny, MOC Equato-Guinea, NNS Victory, ICC YAOUNDE, CMC AREA D.

**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 002/May/19](#), [Weekly 19/19](#) and [Monthly 19-05](#).

**INCIDENT CLOSED.**

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Incident 045/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Hijack	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Successful
<b><u>Date</u></b>	05 May. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	12:00
<b><u>Position</u></b>	03°04N – 007°59E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	235/42NQ off Luba, EQUATORIAL GUINEA
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Clear, Wind Moderate, Swell 1.2M

**Description:** On the 05<sup>th</sup> May at 1200UTC in position 03°04N - 007°59E, a tug (**NAME WITHHELD**) was reported as attacked by pirates and considered as hijacked. The Spanish Navy and Equato-Guinean Navy have coordinated successfully a joint operation in order to release the ship and the crew. The ship and crew were released safely on the 06th May and they have joined under escort Luba port.

**Duration of Attack:** More than 23 hours.

**Method Of Approach:** Aggressive with a use of weapons.

**Type of Vessel used:** Zodiac.

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Broken Windows.

**Incident reported to:**

MDAT, MOC Bonny, MOC Equato-Guinea, NNS Victory, ICC YAOUNDE, CMC AREA D.

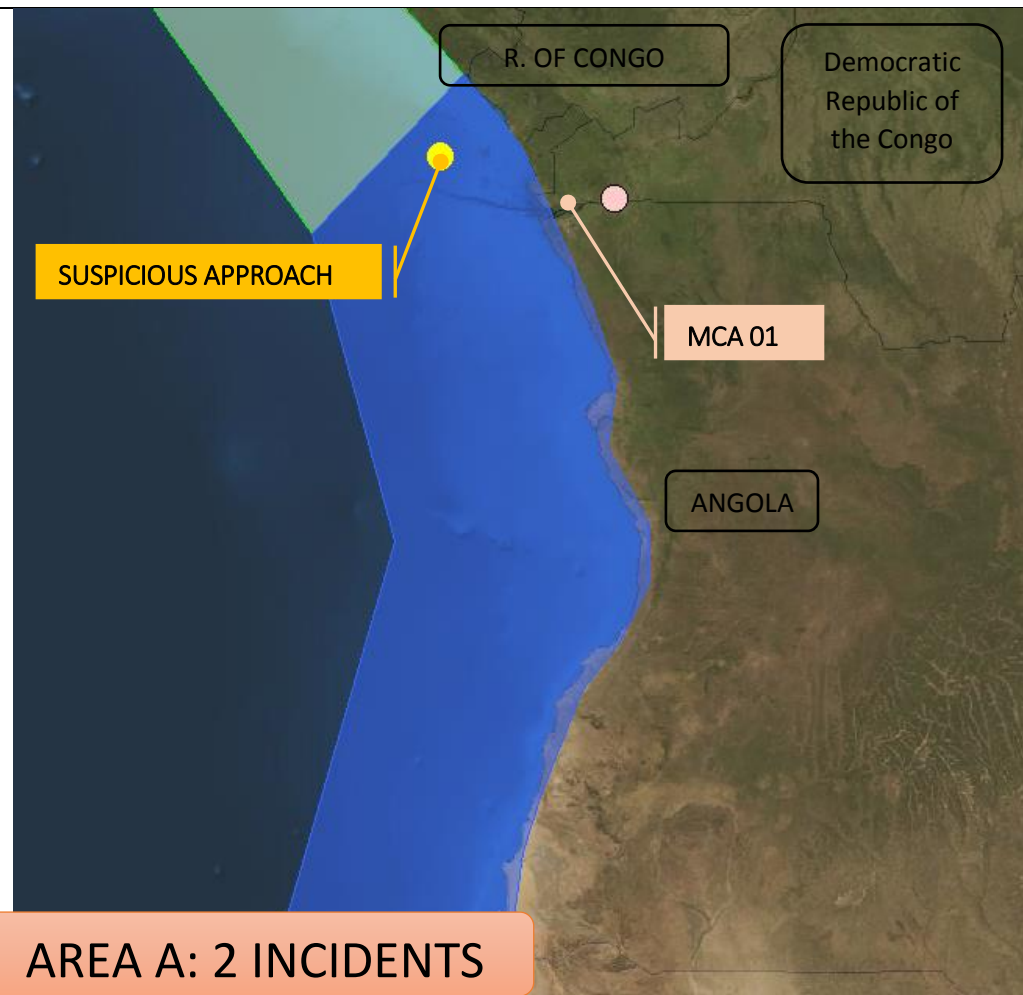
**MDAT Reference:** [Warning 003/May/19](#), [Weekly 19/19](#) and [Monthly 19-05](#).

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Incident 012/19

<b><u>Category</u></b>	Suspicious Approach	<b><u>Status of Incident</u></b>	Failed
<b><u>Date</u></b>	11 Feb. 19	<b><u>Time (UTC)</u></b>	22:40
<b><u>Position</u></b>	05°11S – 010°47E	<b><u>Bearing / Range</u></b>	260/60NM off Pointe Noire Republic of CONGO
<b><u>Status of Vessel</u></b>	En Route	<b><u>Weather during the Attack</u></b>	Unknown

**Description:**

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at approximately 2240UTC, an MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) in position 05°11'24S – 010°47'14E spotted two radar contacts (without AIS SIGNAL and lights) closing her position at 25 knts. At 2245UTC, the radar contacts manouvered, one came starboard side at high speed and the other stayed at 0.2 miles on the stern of the MV. At 2350UTC, when the MV was close to a meeting point with another MV for a planned bunkering, the two radar contacts altered their course and went away. Vessels and crews were safe.

*MDAT-GOG comment: This events was a time late report and no Advisory notice or Warning Notice were released.*

**Duration of Attack:** Approximately 01h30

**Method Of Approach:** Harassment by both side.

**Type of Vessel used:** Two speed crafts

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Nil.

**Incident reported to:** MDAT, MOC POINTE-NOIRE.

**MDAT Reference:** [Weekly 19-07](#) and [Monthly 19-02](#).

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## Maritime Crime Activity 01

Event 041/19

**DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, Ango Ango Inner Anchorage**

**Description:** On the 28<sup>th</sup> April at 0504UTC, two unauthorized men with long knives were spotted by the Deck Watch while the MV (**NAME WITHHELD**) was at Ango Ango Inner Anchorage. The chief officer raised the alarm and the Master ordered to his crew to standing by to proceed to citadel. The robbers left the ship without injuring the crew. The ship and vessel were reported safe.

**Method Of Approach:** Unknown

**Consequences for Crew/Ship/Cargo:** Three mooring lines stolen.

**MDAT-GOG Reference:** Weekly 19-18