JMIC Weekly Dashboard for the Middle East



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Week 45 - 2025 (03 November – 09 November)



JMIC Weekly Assessment for the Middle EastRegion.

Guidance for Vessels transiting the High Threat Area

Houthi forces have HIGHLY LIKELY paused maritime strikes whilst they monitor the ongoing ceasefire agreement. At ICOD, the Gaza peace pact and overarching ceasefire remain intact. Should the ceasefire collapse entirely then the Houthis would HIGHLY LIKELY return to attacks on Israel, and Israeli affiliated interests.

Risk mitigation measures and resources include:

- 1. BMP-Maritime Security
- 2. JMIC Bridge Emergency Reference Cards
- 3. Register for ASPIDES protection via **EUNAVFOR ASPIDES** website

Specific Events

Indian Ocean and Coast of Somalia

- The piracy threat is currently assessed as **MODERATE** in the Gulf of Aden, Somali Basin and the Indian Ocean.
- The vessel Hellas Aphrodite was boarded by pirates and subsequently released.

Arabian Gulf, Strait of Hormuz and Gulf of Oman

• MODERATE EM interference in the AG, SoH, and GoO.

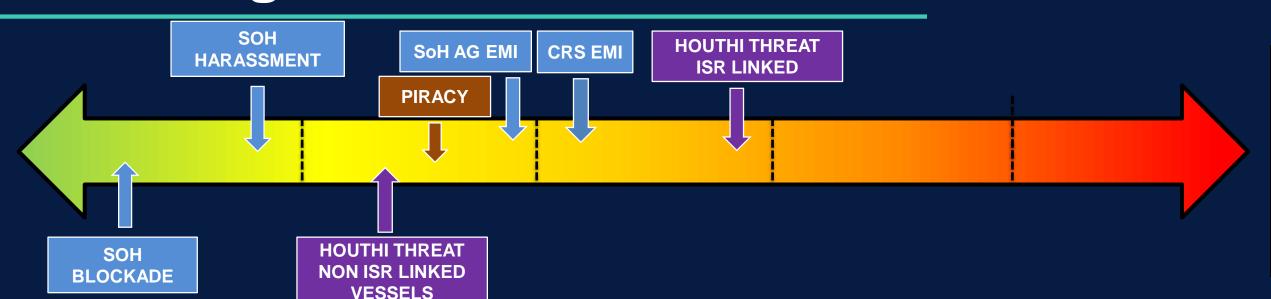
Red Sea, Bab-al-Mandab and Gulf of Aden

• SUBSTANTIAL EM interference in the Red Sea and noticeable levels in vicinity of Port Sudan, Yanbu, and Jeddah.





CMF Regional Threat Level Assessment



Threat Level	Definition
Low	An attack is highly unlikely
Moderate	An attack is possible but not likely
Substantial	An attack is a strong possibility
Severe	An attack is highly likely
Critical	An attack is almost certain

CMF Assessment - Piracy Threat

The piracy threat is currently assessed as **MODERATE** both in in the GoA and Somali Basin due to permissive weather conditions for small boat activity.

1 x PAG (ISSAMOHAMEDAI) responsible for 2 x suspicious approach and 1 x attack last week no longer poses a threat to shipping as it has been escorted back into Somali TTW.

The ongoing presence of foreign fishing vessels in Somali coastal areas increases the opportunity for Somali based criminal networks to hijack vessels and use them as motherships, particularly if already loaded with fuel, water and food.

CMF Assessment - Other Disruption Threats

EMI and GNSS interference remain at **MODERATE** levels in the AG and SoH with spoofing and jamming of aircraft experienced ivo CAG. Concentrations of EMI emanate from areas ivo Bandar e-Pars; however, levels tapered off as the week progressed and at ICOD were low. Vessels transiting the AG could be impacted.

The concentration of EMI remains **SUBSTANTIAL** in the CRS with reports of GNSS interference presenting higher ivo Sudan than to other areas within the RS.

CMF Assessment - Houthi Threat

The Houthis' have not publicly claimed any strikes since the 05 OCT 25, HIGHLY LIKELY due to Hamas' commitment to the peace plan. However, challenges pertaining to the Israel Hamas ceasefire continue to endure.

Abdul Malik al-Houthi stated on 04 NOV that the Houthis are "inevitably heading towards another confrontation with Israel". It is HIGHLY LIKELY that Hamas' intent to move forward with the peace plan will impact Houthi intent to re-launch their campaign towards Israel.

The threat level is **SUBSTANTIAL** for any merchant vessel (MV) or shipping company (inc. fleet) affiliated to Israel (fully/partially owned, flagged, Israeli port calls) when transiting the RS, BaM and GoA, whilst the threat to other non-Israeli affiliated shipping is assessed to be **MODERATE.**





CMF Regional Threat Level Assessment

Key Considerations

03 NOV: UKMTO received a report of an incident 332nm east of Mogadishu, 4 unauthorised persons attempted to board the vessel, with the small craft returning to the mother vessel after it was challenged.

04 NOV: Abdul Malik al-Houthi stated that the group was "inevitably heading towards another confrontation with Israel"

05 NOV: A vessel was boarded after it came under fire from a skiff with small arms and RPGs. This incident occurred approx. 560NM from the Eyl coastline ivo of dense shipping traffic. The vessel has since received support from coalition forces.

06 NOV: 250 African migrants arrived in the Shabwa governate in southeastern Yemen. Security forces in Shabwa have increased patrols due to increasing number of migrants seeking passage to Gulf states.

07 NOV: Suspicious approach of a MV by skiff with linkages to PAG associated with dhow ISSAMOHAMDI.





Electromagnetic Interference







- The heat-mapping graphic indicates the relative levels of electronic interference in the form of AIS anomalies during the period <u>29th</u> <u>October – 5th November 2025.</u>
- Compared to last weeks reports, GNSS Interference Reporting by vessels have decreased in both the Strait of Hormuz and the Red Sea, suggesting a decrease in activity. The AIS Speed Anomalies concentrations around Sudan and Central Red Sea remain moderate to high; significant clustering remains around Jebel Ali, Fujairah, Strait of Hormuz and Suez Canal region. A new cluster of moderate interference has been observed in the vicinity of Djibouti anchorage/port. Clustering remains in vicinity of Bandar e-Pars, although diminished compared to last week.
- Vessels are requested to report experience of electronic interference to UKMTO, in support of keeping the broader community better informed.

Source: **UKMTO**

Houthi related incidents reported by UKMTO: None

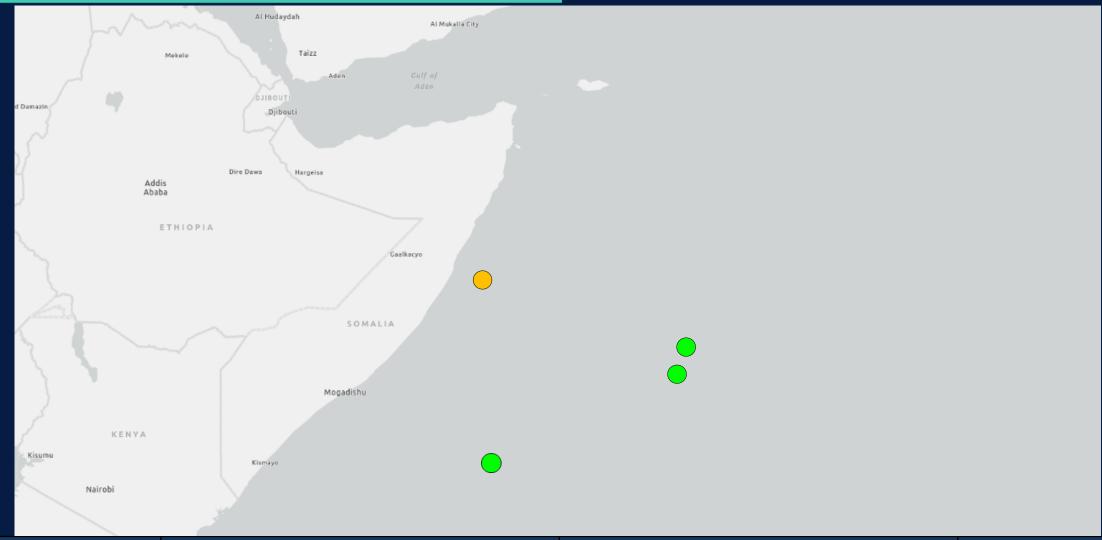


Date	Type of Incident Source	Vessel Name Flag / IMO / Location	Reports
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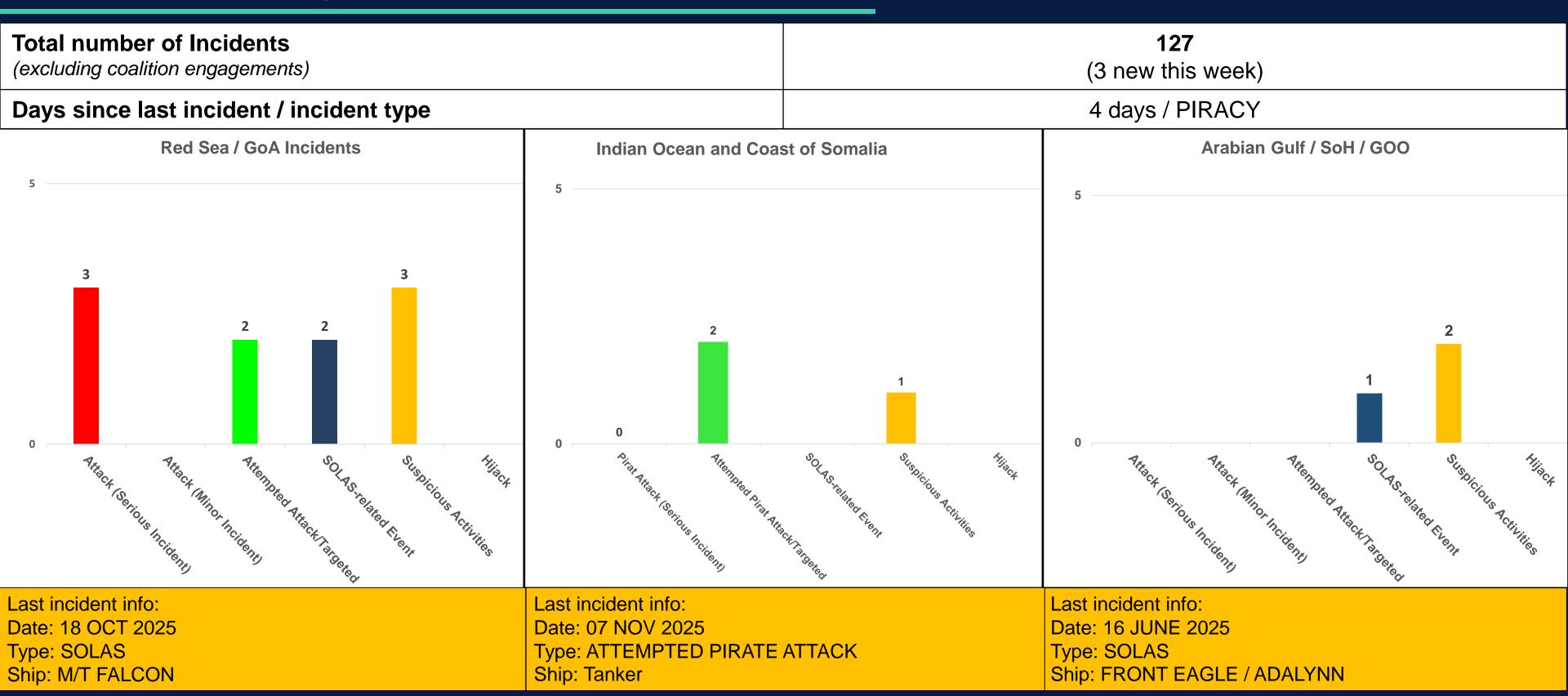
Piracy incidents reported by UKMTO: 4



Date	Type of Incident Source	Vessel type / Flag	Location	Reports
27-10-25	UKMTO	2 Iranian dhows	GARACAD, 106NM south of Eyl	Suspicious activity
03-11-25	UKMTO	Motor Tanker / Cayman Islands	332NM East of Mogadishu	Attempted boarding
06-11-25	UKMTO	Motor Tanker / Malta	0205N 05710E	Boarding
07-11-25	UKMTO	Motor Tanker / Marshall Islands	035700N 0571605E	Attempted boarding



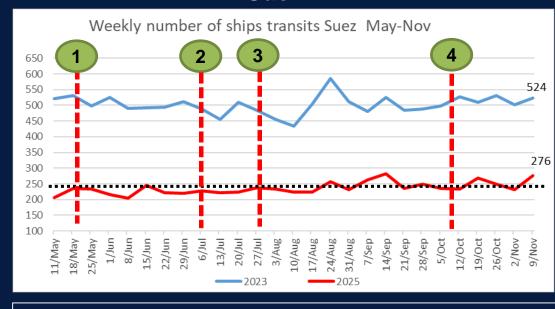
JMIC Investigated Incidents Since 01 January 2025





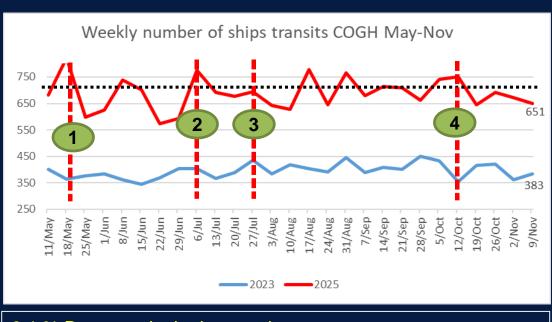
Weekly Transits

Suez



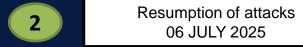
19 % increase in the last week

Cape of Good Hope (CoGH)

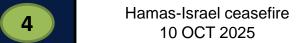


3,1 % Decrease in the last week

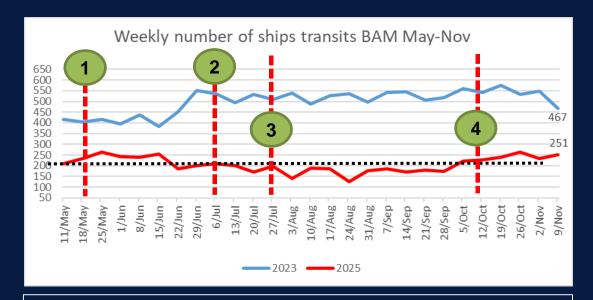
Houthi blockade announcement 19 MAY 2025





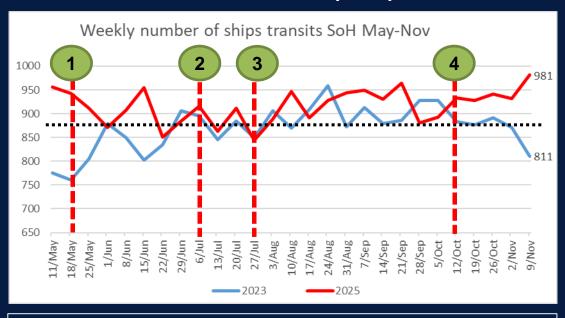


Bab al-Mandeb (BAM)



7,7 % Incease in the last week

Strait of Hormuz (SoH)



5,3 % Increase in the last week





^{*}The statistics presented in this report are based solely on cargo carrying vessels engaged in international trade/transit. This data does not include smaller vessels such as pleasure crafts, yachts, fishing vessels, tugboats, or other types of smaller ships that operate within local or regional waters and are not involved in international shipping.

Definitions – Incident types

General Categories	Explanatory Notes
Attack (Serious Incident)	The result of a deliberate launching of weapons (i.e missiles, drones), and/or ramming into a vessel that results in serious damage to the vessel. The attack is deemed serious if any resulting damage impacts the vessel's ability to continue functioning, which requires immediate assistance. It includes a vessel deemed a total loss, and significant threat to lives.
Attack (Minor Incident)	The result of a deliberate launching of weapons (i.e missiles, drones), and/or ramming into a vessel that results in minor damage to the vessel. The attack is deemed minor if any resulting damage does not impact the vessel's ability to continue functioning and/or does not require immediate assistance.
Attempted Attack/Targeted	This refers to the act of targeting a vessel with the use of force that results in a miss and no damage to the vessel. • Any use of force including but not limited to launching of weapons (i.e. missiles, drones), and/or ramming into the vessel. • No damage may include but not limited to missile ditching, and/or coalition warships shooting down missiles and/or drones.
Hijack	Is where attackers have illegally boarded and taken control of a ship against the crew's will.
Suspicious Activities	This refers to any act of activity near the vessel that is enough to warrant suspicion. To include aerial, surface, and subsurface activities.
SOLAS-related Event	A SOLAS event in this terms refers to a major safety related event (Including but not limited to: Fire/Flooding/Capsizing) which is not due to an attack. This is reported by JMIC solely to avoid speculations about if this was a harmful activity towards a merchant vessel or not.





Additional Resources

Additional Resources on Incident:

UKMTO Reporting Visit: https://www.ukmto.org

Email: watchkeepers@ukmto.org
Emergency Tel: +44 (0)2392 222060

Additional Resources on Industry Guidance:

BMP - MARITIME SECURITY

<u>BMP-MS-March 2025</u>

Industry Transit Advice for Southern Red Sea and Gulf of Aden from 25th of September 2024

Industry Transit Advice - 25th September 2024

MSCIO

MSCIO Website
EUNAVFOR ASPIDES Support Request

JMIC

Info Notes, Advisories, Weekly Summary, Monthly Statistics, and Bridge Emergency Reference Cards:

<u>JMIC Products (ukmto.org)</u>

JMIC Advisory on CMF Maritime Threat Levels

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