

JMIC Weekly Dashboard for the Middle East



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Week 47 - 2025
(17 – 23 November)



Combined Maritime Forces

JMIC Weekly Assessment for the Middle East Region

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.

JMIC continues to monitor reports of suspicious approaches in the region and will issue Information Notes for confirmed pirate activity. No active PAGs are noted at time of this report.

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.

Arabian Gulf, Strait of Hormuz and Gulf of Oman

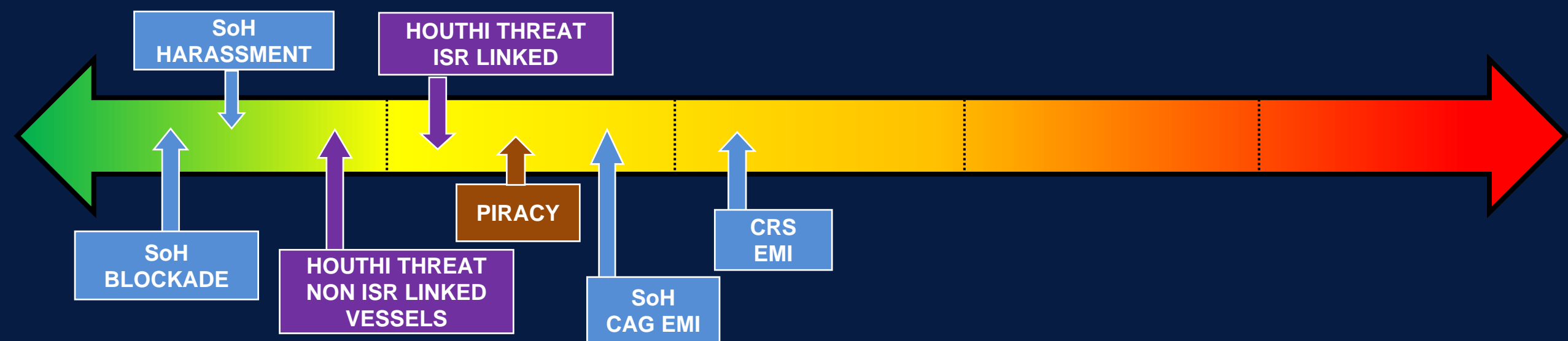
- A tanker was seized by IRGC and was subsequently released.
- **MODERATE** EM interference in the AG, SoH, and GoO.

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 - Other Disruption Threats

Levels of GNSS interference in the Arabian Gulf (AG) have presented at lower intensity levels throughout the last week. The SoH and AG are prone to sporadic EMI and vessels transiting this area could be impacted.

The concentration of EMI remains **SUBSTANTIAL** in the Central Red Sea with jamming emanating from Port Sudan in particular.

Harassment in the SoH is assessed as **MODERATE** with activity from regional actors increasing this week.

CMF Assessment - Piracy Threat

The piracy threat is assessed as **MODERATE** due to the permissive weather conditions and continued presence of foreign fishing vessels (FFVs) operating within the SOM EEZ, which increases the opportunity for PAGs to target FFVs to use as motherships further offshore in dense shipping traffic. There has been an unconfirmed sighting in the GoA. No further information to corroborate this activity.

CMF Assessment - Houthi Threat

Houthi leadership continues to promote supportive messaging to Hamas concerning the peace plan and current ceasefire. The Houthi rhetoric remains the same, stating that they are poised to re-start their campaign against Israel and Israeli interest if they deem the peace plan to have failed.

The threat level is **MODERATE** 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 **LOW**.



CMF Regional Threat Level Assessment

Key Considerations

18 NOV A vessel carrying 600,000 Captagon pills was seized in the Bab al Mandeb Straits. The operation reportedly followed “intensive intelligence monitoring”. Upon boarding the vessel, 1,506 bags of Captagon pills were seized and 4 crew members from the vessel were arrested.

18 NOV The United Nations Security Council announced security resolutions which will establish an international force to restore order in Gaza. The resolution will see an internationally backed stabilization force created and deployed to the region. The resolution will also protect civilians and allow for large scale aid to be brought into the region. In response to the resolution, Hamas reaffirmed that they will not disarm and argued their fight against Israel was legitimate. Hamas stated the resolution did not respect the “demands and rights” of Palestinians.

19 NOV UN aid workers detained by the Houthis risk receiving the death penalty. 21 non-UN defendants are accused of being part of a spy network, and there are concerns that detained aid workers may receive similar treatment. Houthis stated a verdict would be released but did not confirm when.

21 NOV Hamas has accused Israel of extending the yellow line which violates the maps agreed upon in the ceasefire agreement. Hamas say this a “violation”. Israel states this is in response to previous violations by Hamas.

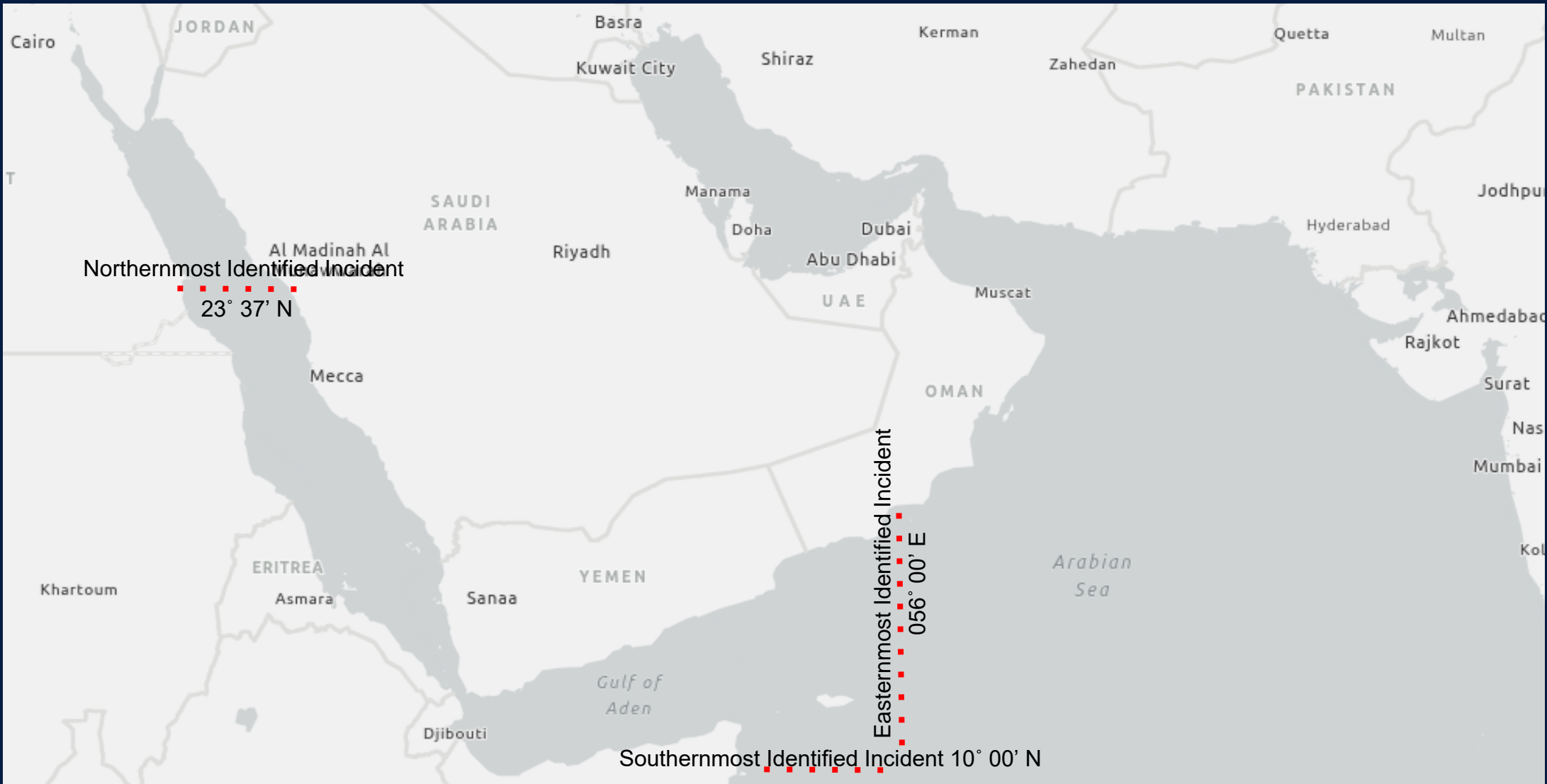


Electromagnetic Interference



- The heat-mapping graphic indicates the relative levels of electronic interference in the form of AIS anomalies during the period 29th October – 5th November 2025.
- Compared to last reports, GNSS Interference Reporting by vessels remains relatively unchanged in both the Strait of Hormuz and the Red Sea. The AIS Speed Anomaly 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
- Vessels are requested to report experience of electronic interference to UKMTO, in support of keeping the broader community better informed.

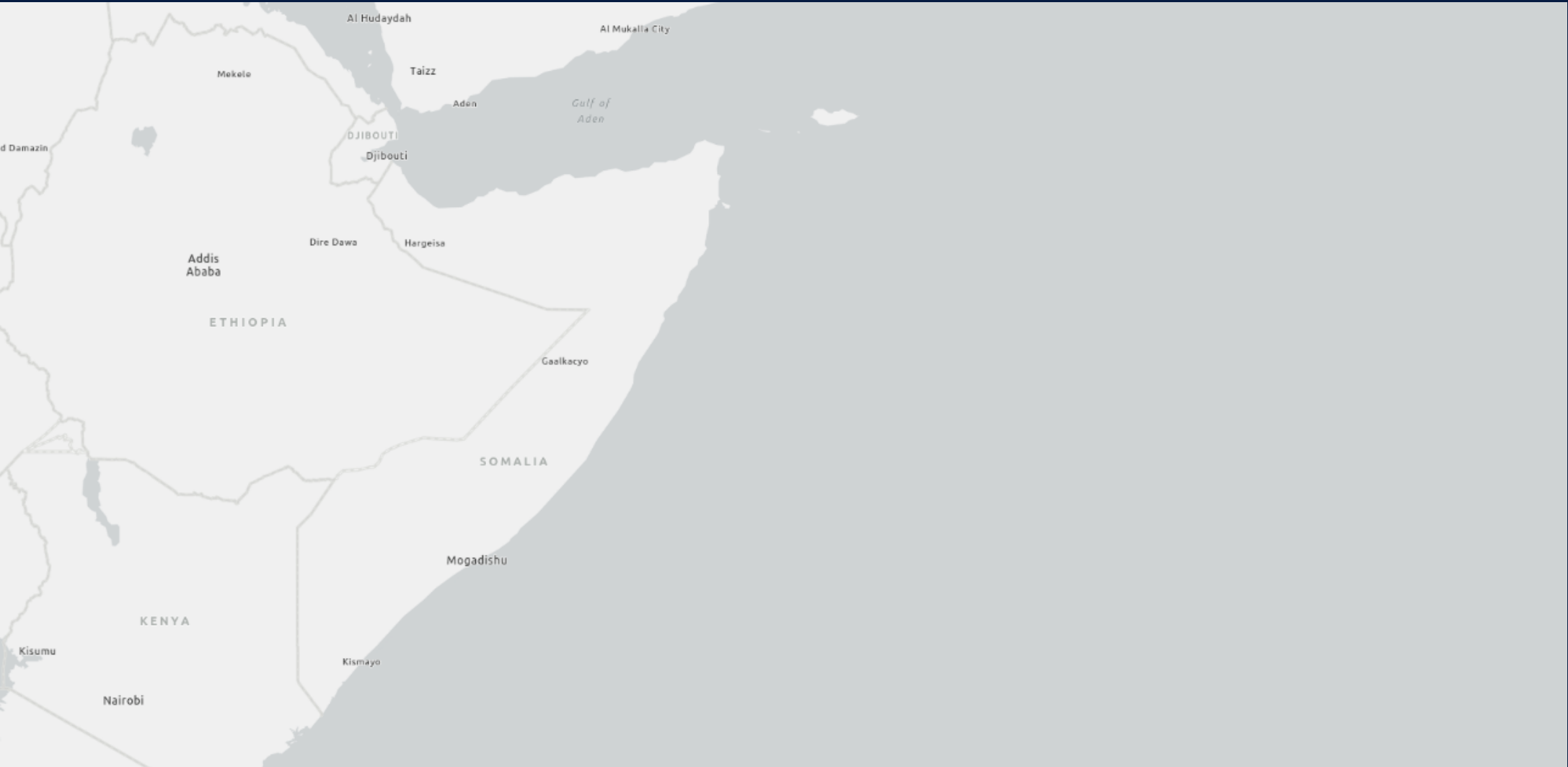
Houthi related incidents reported by UKMTO: None



Date	Type of Incident Source	Vessel Name Flag / IMO / Location	Reports
NTR			



Piracy incidents reported by UKMTO: None



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JMIC Investigated Incidents

Since 01 January 2025

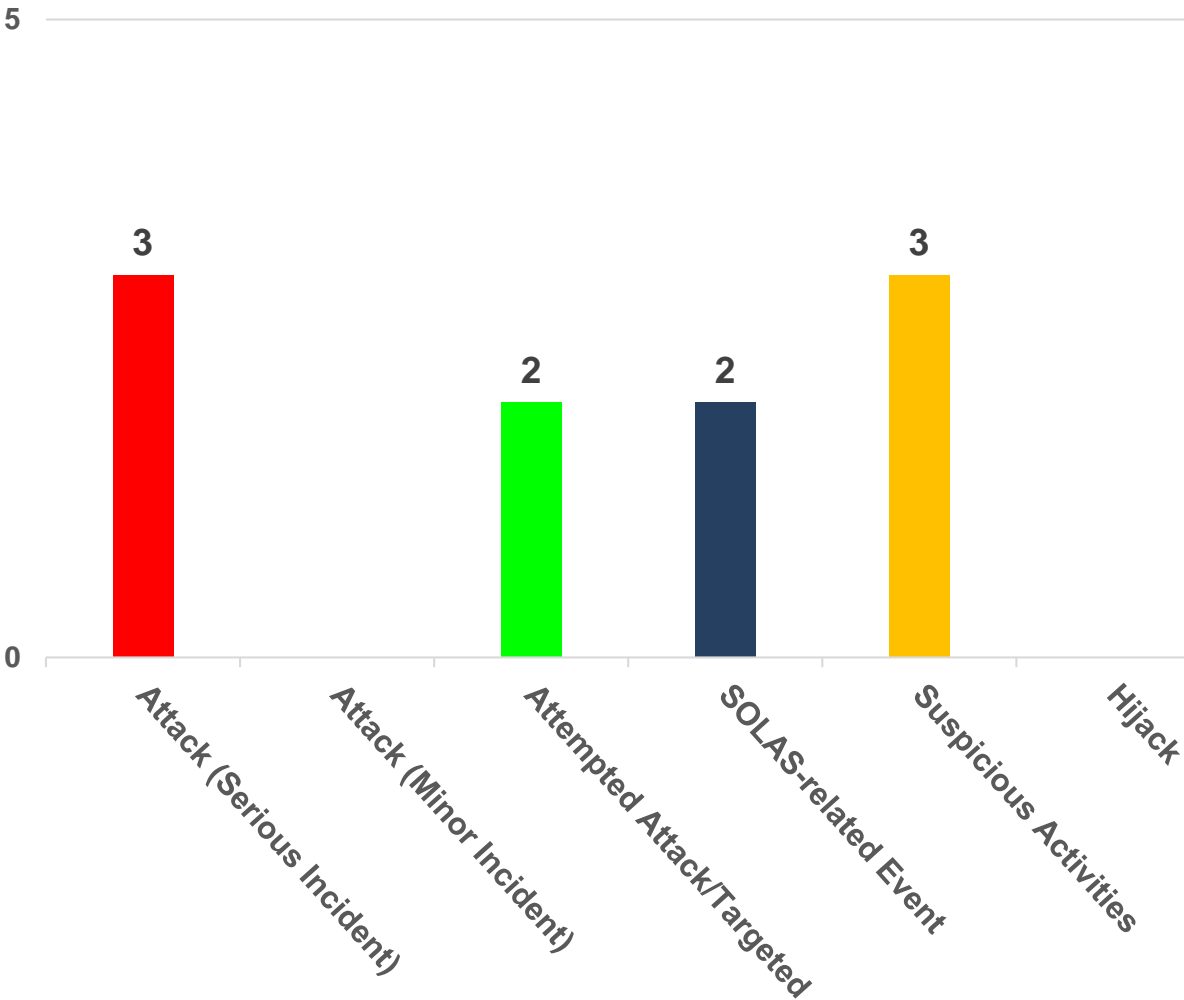
Total number of Incidents
(excluding coalition engagements)

126
(0 new this week)

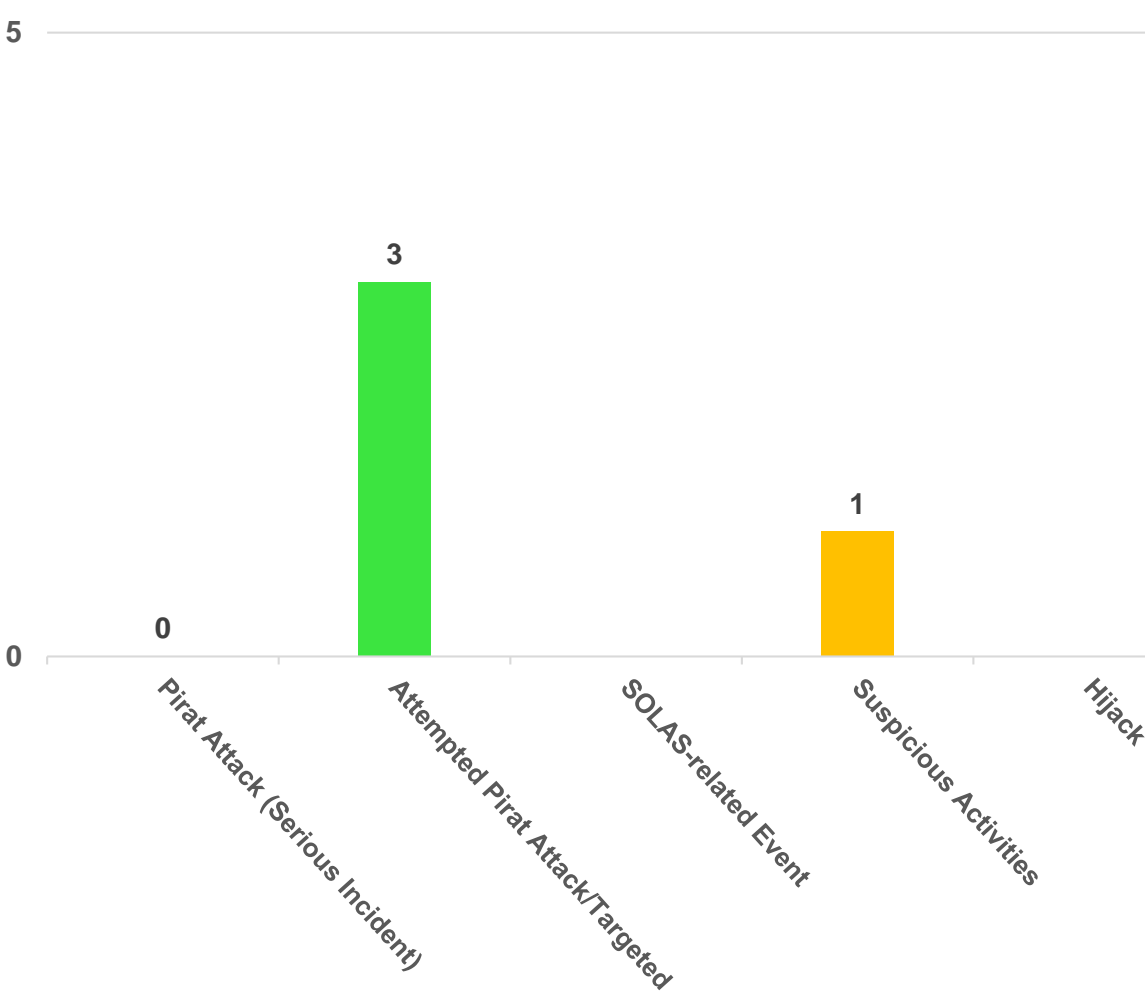
Days since last incident / incident type

9 days / Suspicious Activities

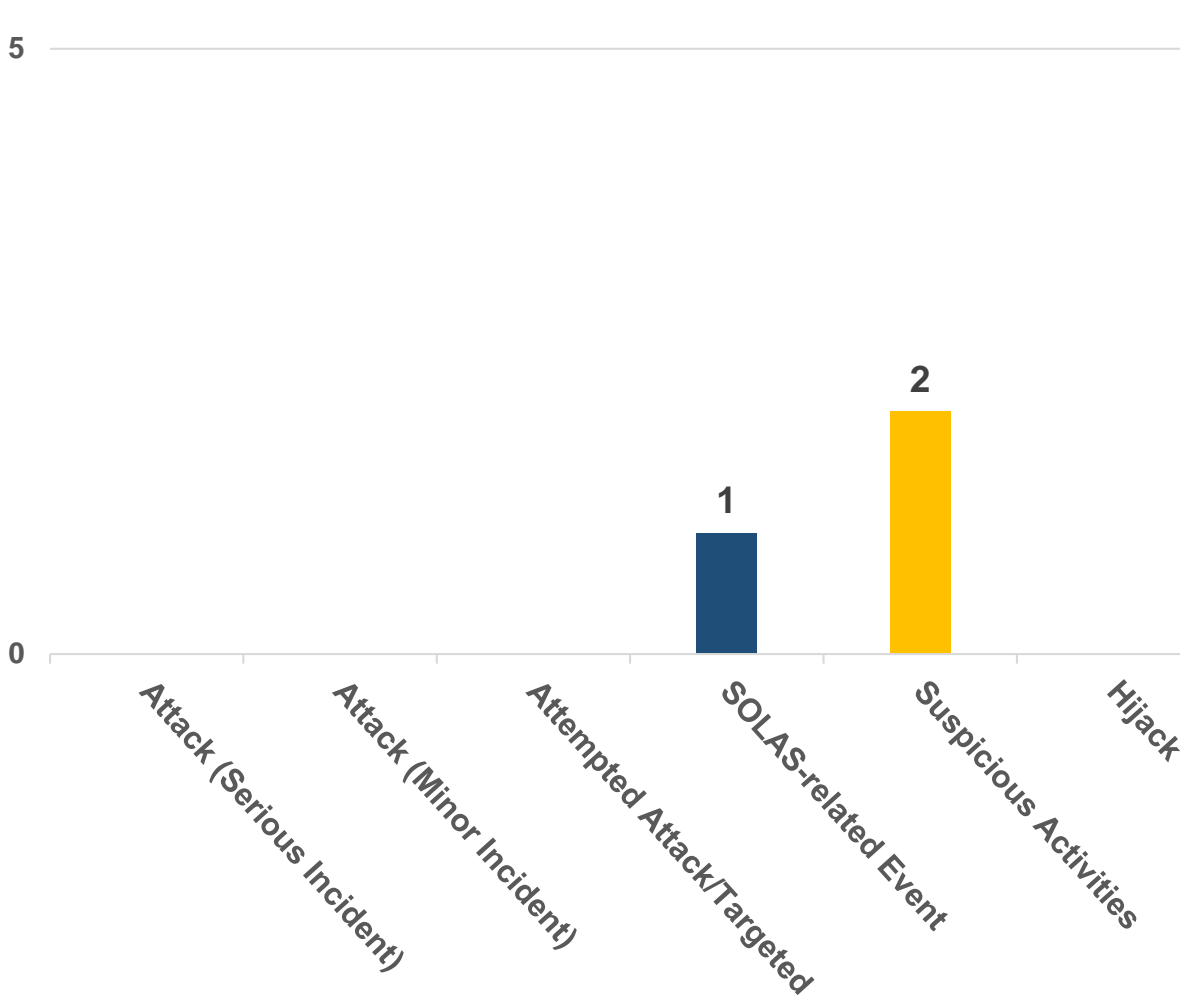
Red Sea / GoA Incidents



Indian Ocean and Coast of Somalia



Arabian Gulf / SoH / GOO



Last incident info:
Date: 18 OCT 2025
Type: SOLAS
Ship: M/T FALCON

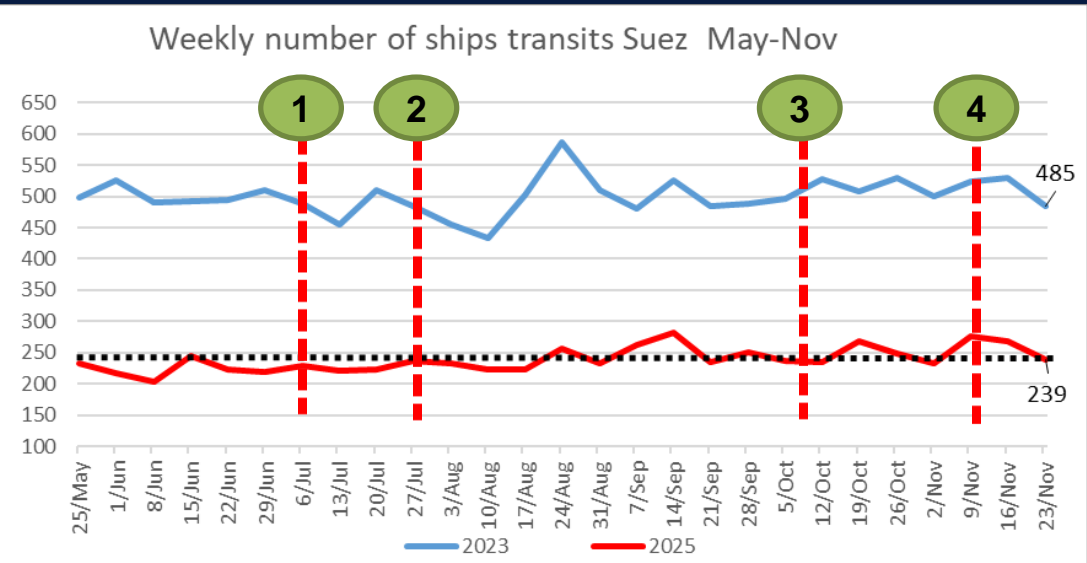
Last incident info:
Date: 07 NOV 2025
Type: ATTEMPTED PIRATE ATTACK
Ship: TANKER

Last incident info:
Date: 15 NOV 2025
Type: SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES
Ship: TANKER



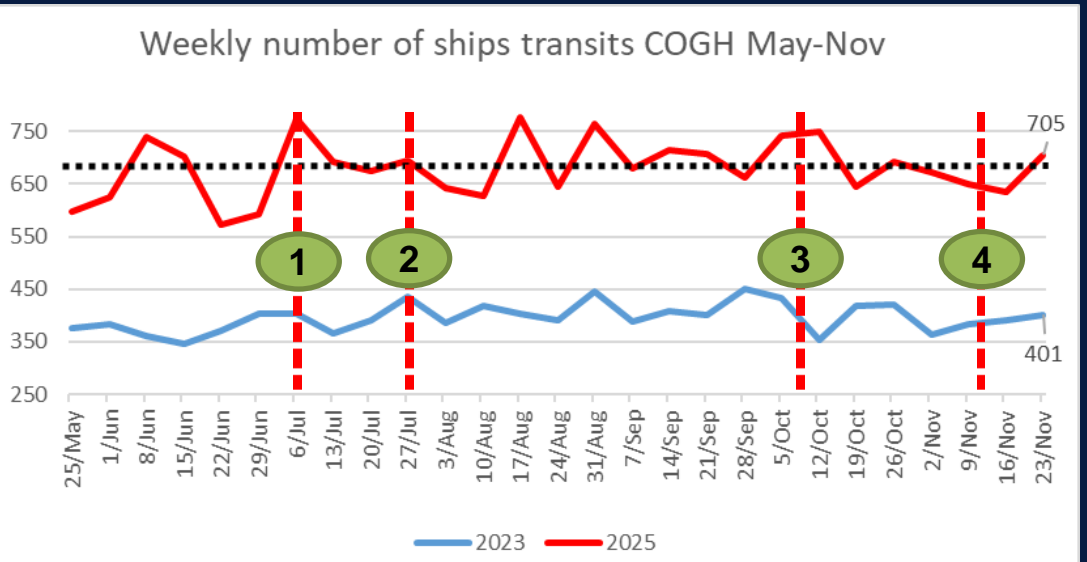
Weekly Transits

Suez



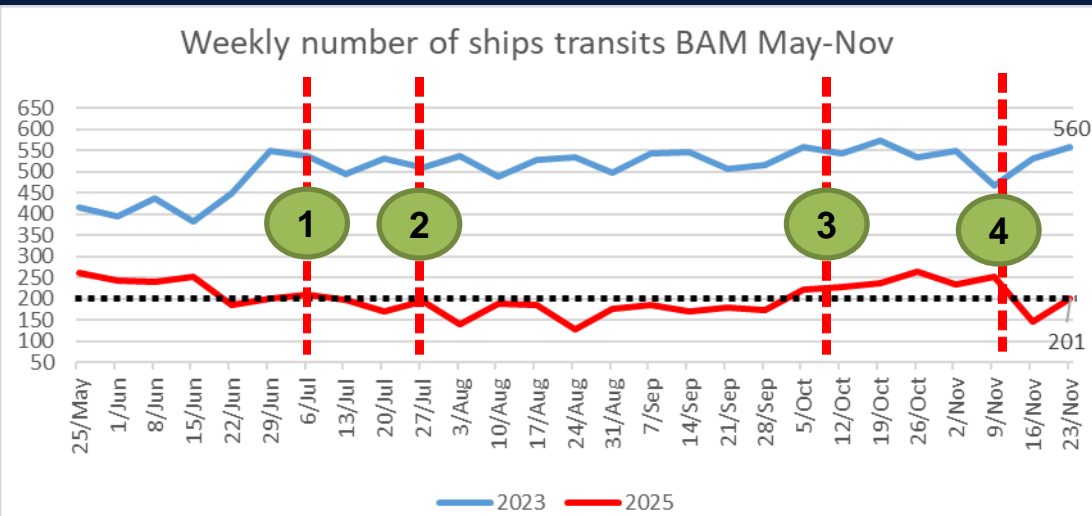
11.2% Decrease in the last week

Cape of Good Hope (CoGH)



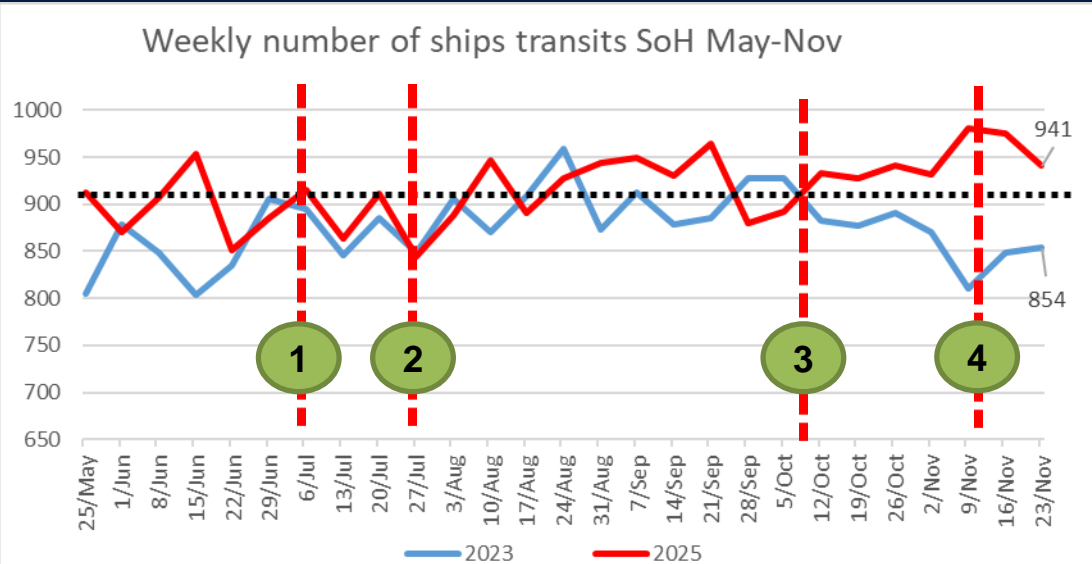
11% Increase in the last week

Bab al-Mandeb (BAM)



37.67% % Increase in the last week

Strait of Hormuz (SoH)



3.65% Decrease in the last week

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Resumption of attacks
06 JULY 2025

2

Houthi announcement
27 JULY 2025

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Hamas-Israel ceasefire
10 OCT 2025

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Houthi statement
11 NOV 2025

*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	<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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

[BMP-MS-March 2025](#)

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](#)

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

[JMIC Products \(ukmto.org\)](#)

[JMIC Advisory on CMF Maritime Threat Levels](#)

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