



ReCAAP ISC Nautical Forum

**Recent developments off Somalia and in the
Gulf of Guinea, and possible impact to the
shipping industry**

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Somalia and UN SC resolutions

HRA

Other threats

Gulf of Guinea

Current situation

Regional support

International support

Outlook



UN Security Council mandate

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Resolution 2608 (2021)

Provides authorisation inter alia for International naval forces to operate in territorial waters
Extended only for 3 months

Follows representations by Federal Government of Somalia
Based on no pirate attacks for some years

UN Contact group continues
Probable impact on the deployment of EUNAVFOR

Q: Is there any remaining threat from Somalian piracy?



HRA definition

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HRA defined in the BMP 5 and referenced in the Global Counter Piracy guidance

'A HRA is an industry defined area within the Voluntary Reporting Area where it is considered that a higher risk of attack exists, and additional security requirements may be necessary.'

Imperative to keep it up to date and reflect the threat.
ICS, BIMCO, Intercargo, OCIMF and INTERTANKO

Separate from insurance

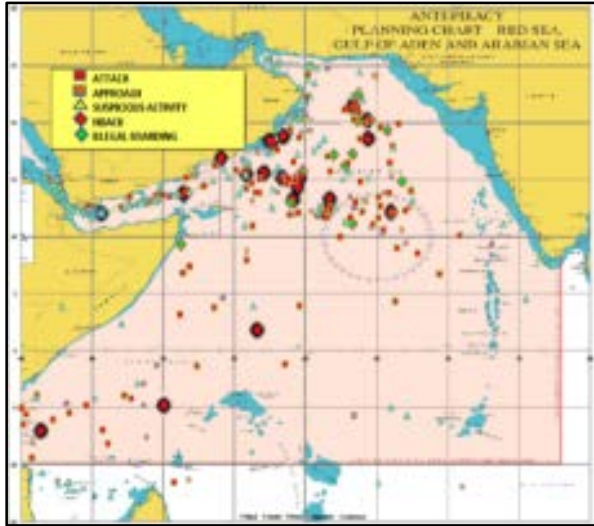
Set by industry for the industry



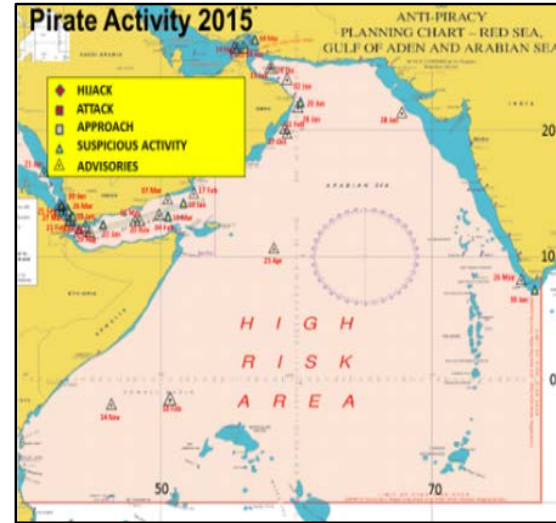
Changing times, reflecting threat

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2011



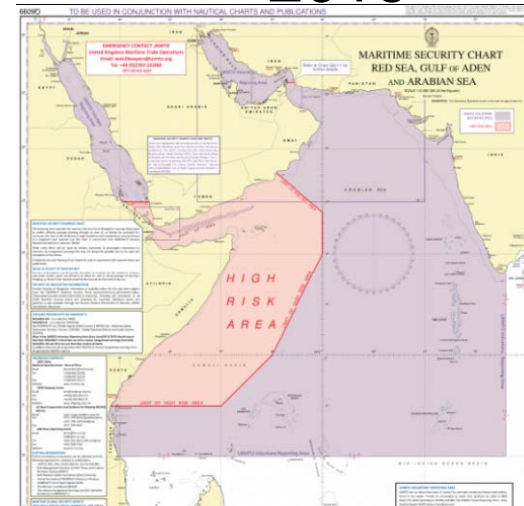
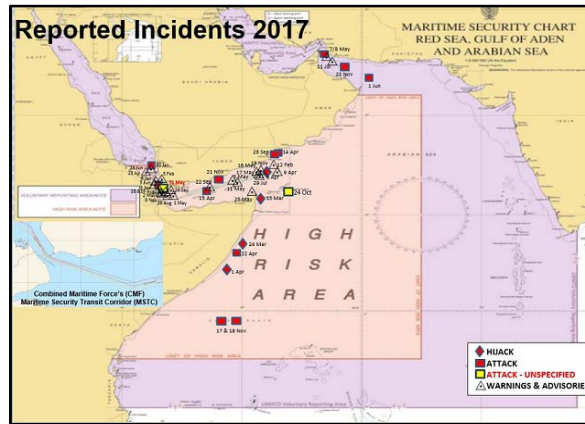
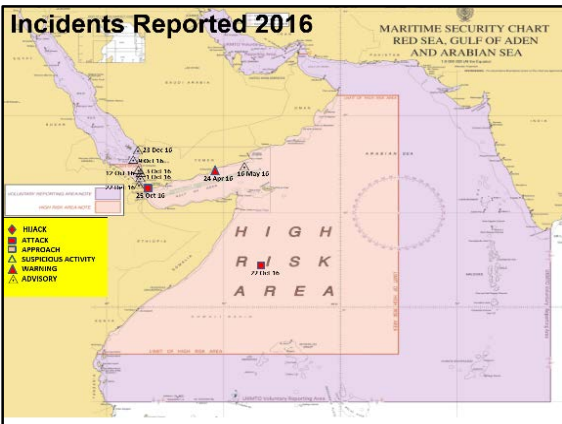
2015



2016 reduction

2017 mini surge

2019





Major reduction

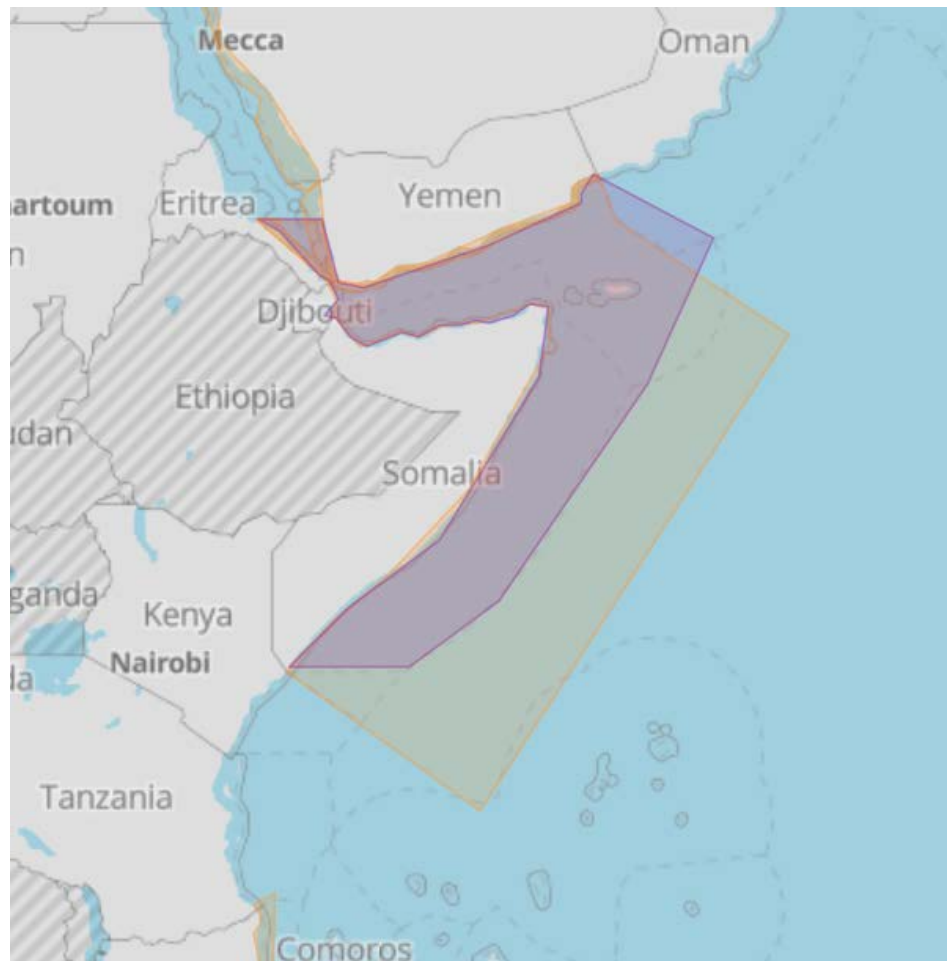
Again reflection of reality

Threat based around 200NM range of Pirates

SRS remains in

JWC area different

Expected to be the last HRA in this format





Threats under consideration*(not exhaustive list)

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Yemen conflict

Regional instability

Piracy

Terrorism

Migration

COVID-19

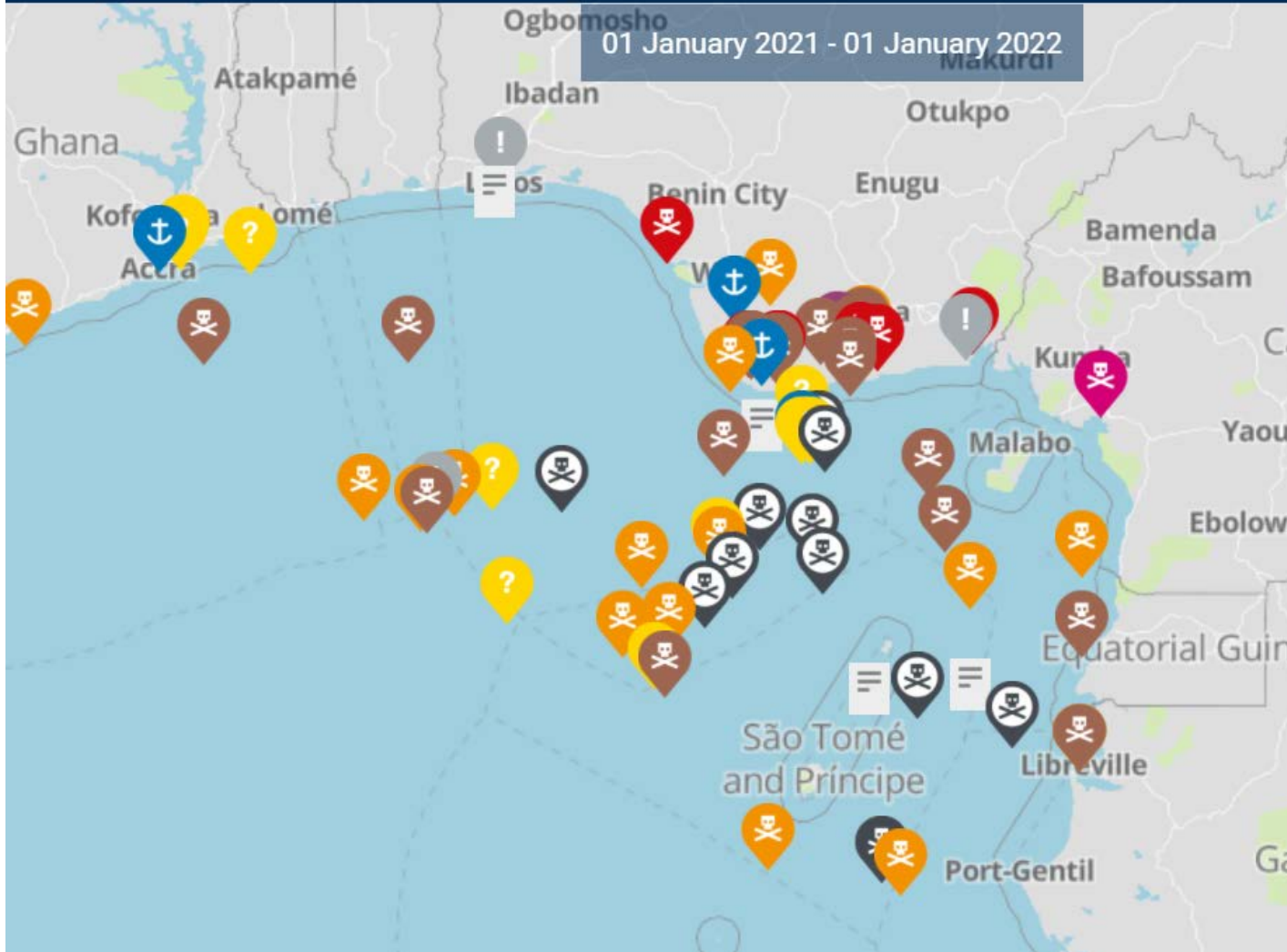




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Kidnap for Ransom

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Significant reduction in all attacks in 2021

Similar reduction in K&R

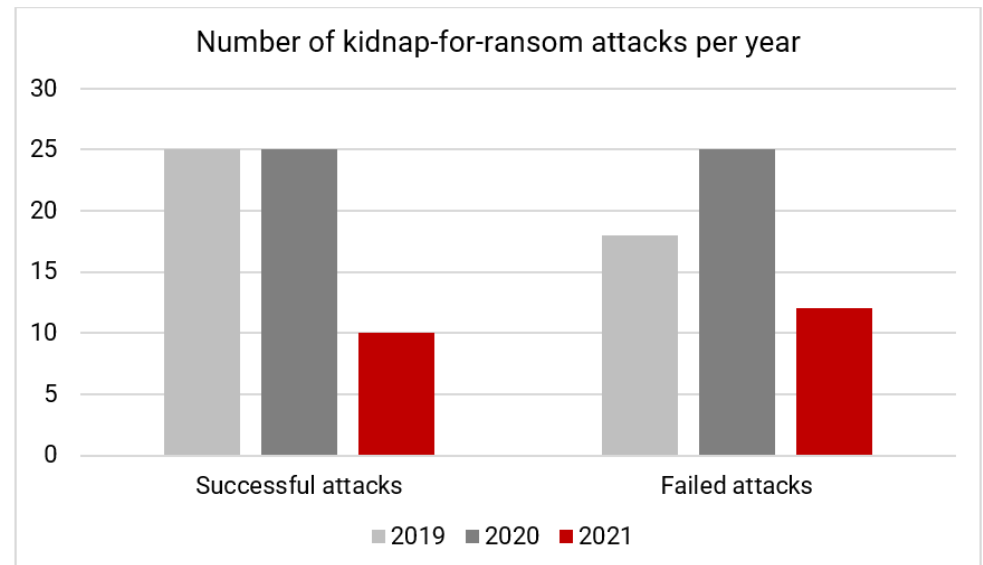
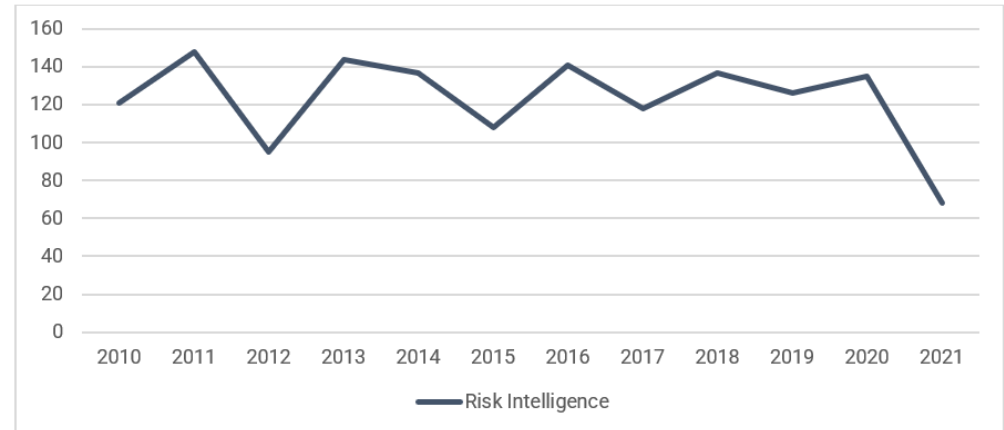
But would only take a few more to reach historical average

68 hostages taken in 2021

142 in 2020

157 in 2019

Trend or blip?





Regional Support

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Enhanced regional capabilities

Joint operational centres in Douala, Cotonou and Accra

Enhanced surveillance (Yaris)

Better regional cooperation

SHADE GoG

Nigerian Deep Blue

Nigerian Naval capability

Likely to have a reaffirmation of Yaoundé agreement to mark 10 years



International Support

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International naval deployment from:

Italy, Spain, France, Portugal, the UK, the US, Brazil and Russia.

Notable interventions by Italy, Russia and Denmark

MDAT GoG working well

Very welcomed deployments

Need the anti piracy mandates

Better communications and relations with regional forces including legal finish

Need access to Yaris and Solarta

SHADE GoG will provide a good forum for exchange



Outlook

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Questions over appetite to maintain funding and mandates
Indian Ocean took 10 years of sustained effort
Unlikely to see similar arrangements

Revolves around on shore criminal and political situation
Solution lies ashore
Nigeria and the region are taking this very seriously

2021 has been positive, hopefully it will continue



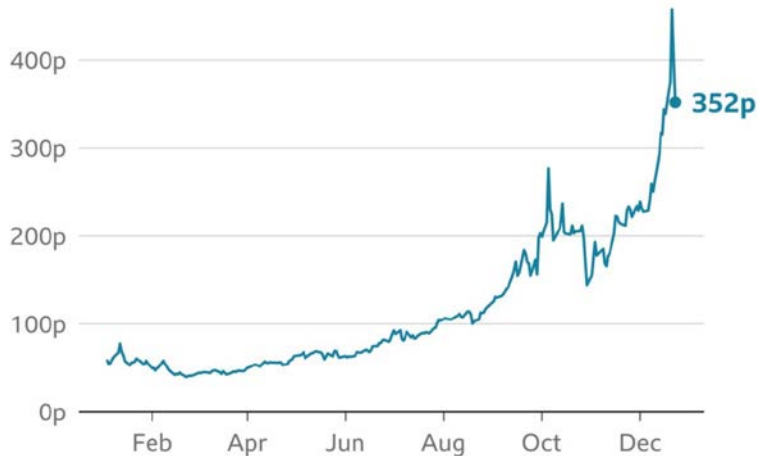
Wider Issues

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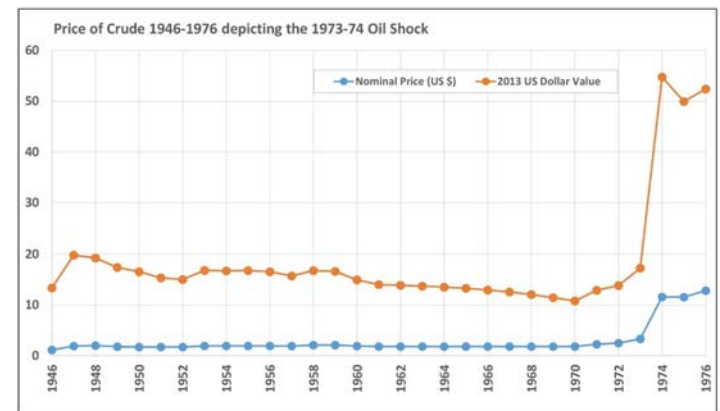
Importance of shipping often forgotten by governments

Just in time economies vulnerable to interruptions

Energy crises can return



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