

Piracy Threat Analysis Report

1 June 2012 – 7 June 2012



Threat Analysis Center

Summary:

There were two reported incidents worldwide and zero reported off the Horn of Africa for the week of 1 June through 7 June. Somali incidents are at low levels for the week.

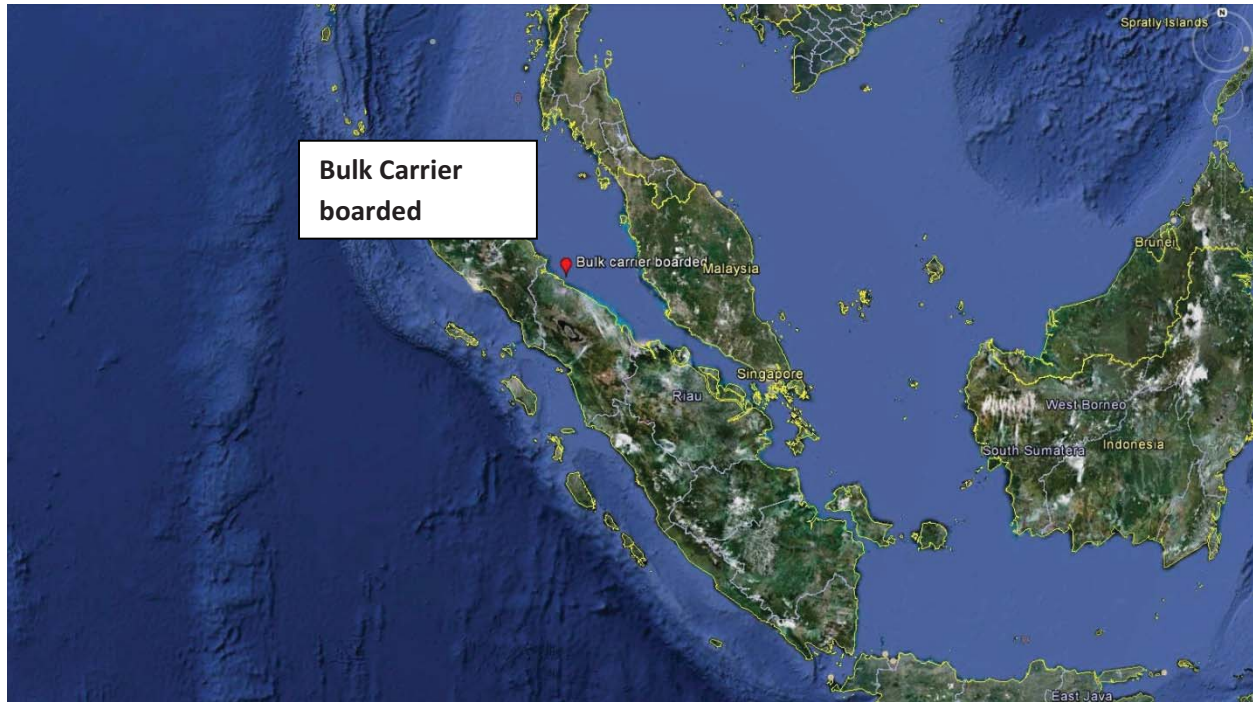
WEST AFRICA

Nigeria: Tanker boarded on 01 June at 06:19 N – 003:29 E, Lagos Anchorage. Three armed robbers boarded the tanker from a wooden boat. The alarm was raised and the crew retreated into the citadel. After four hours the crew emerged from the citadel and found that the pirates had left. No damage was reported and all crewmembers were safe. (IMB, ONI)



SOUTHEAST ASIA

Indonesia: Bulk Carrier boarded on 04 June at 03:57 N - 098:46 E, Belawan Outer Anchorage, Indonesia. Seven robbers armed with long knives boarded an anchored bulk carrier at the forecastle. The duty officer noticed the robbers and raised the alarm. Seeing the crew's alertness, the robbers threatened the crew with long knives and escaped empty handed in their boat. Port control and vessels in the vicinity were later informed. (IMB, ONI)



Convoy Schedules

Escort services are provided by the following countries during the month of June for vessels transiting the Gulf of Aden:

Government of Japan convoy scheduled for June 2012. Merchant vessels that wish to apply for JMSDF escort operation should visit http://www.mlit.go.jp/en/maritime/maritime_fr2_000000.html and follow the application procedure. For further information, please contact directly the Anti-Piracy Contact and Coordination Office, Maritime Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MILT), Japan: Tel: +81-3-5253-8932 Fax: +81-3-5253-1643 Email: INFO-PIRACY@mlit.go.jp (MSCHOA).

Korean Navy convoy scheduled for June 2012. All merchant vessels wishing to join the convoy group must submit their application forms directly to the ROK naval warship carrying out the mission. The ROK MTG can be reached directly at (INMARSAT: 870-773-110-374), (Email: rokcheonghae@gmail.com) (MSCHOA).

Chinese convoy scheduled for June 2012. For further information, please e-mail mailcnmrc@msa.gov.cn, cnmrc@mot.gov.cn, or call Tel: 86-10-652-92221 Fax: 86-

10-652-92245 (MSCHOA).

Weather Forecast 7 June – 13 June 2012

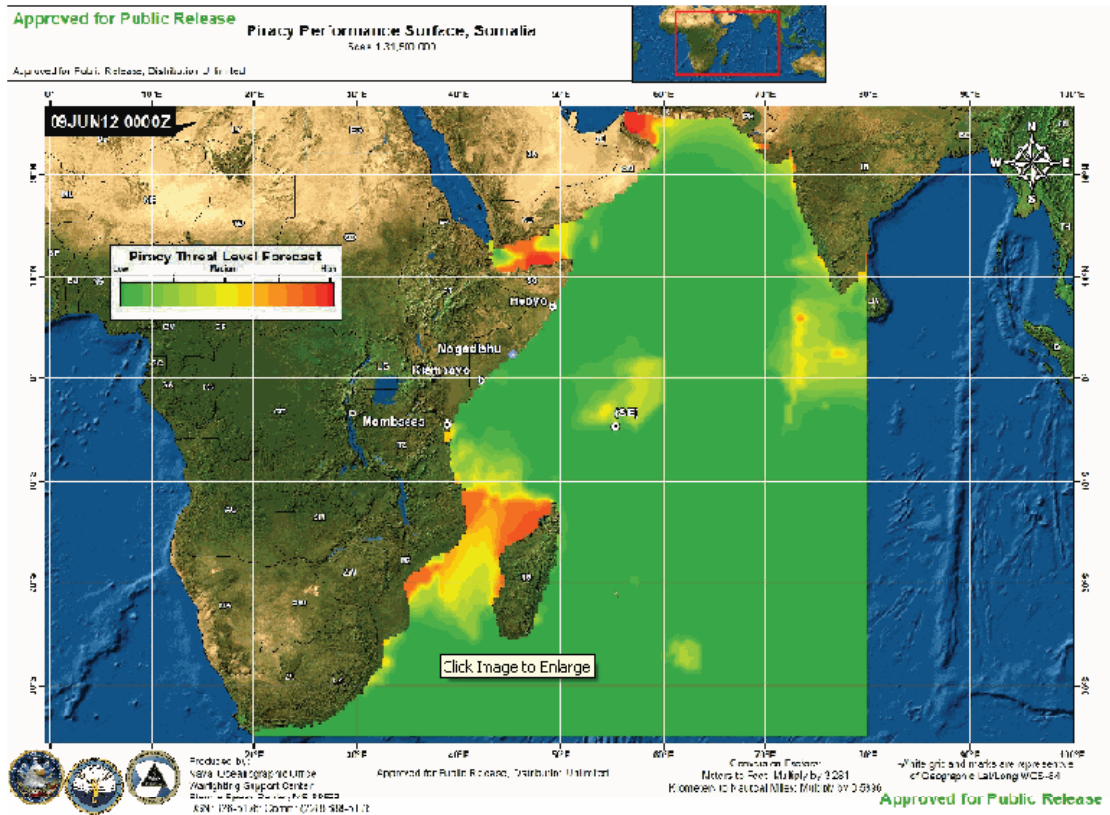
Gulf of Aden: West-southwesterly winds of 10 – 15 knots and seas of 2 – 4 feet. **Extended Forecast:** West-southwesterly winds of 12 – 16 knots and seas of 3 – 5 feet, decreasing to 2 – 4 feet after 8 June.

Somali Coast: Significant impacts throughout the region due strong winds and high seas from the influence of the Southwest Monsoon. Expect south-southwesterly winds of 25 - 30 knots, gusting 35 knots in or near thunderstorms and seas of 9 – 12 feet. **Extended Forecast:** Expect south-southwesterly winds of 25 - 30 knots, gusting to 35 knots in or near thunderstorms, and seas 10 – 14 feet.

Arabian Sea: South-westerly winds of 10 – 15 knots and seas of 7 - 9 feet. **Extended Forecast:** Expect west-southwesterly winds of 10 – 15 knots and seas of 7 - 9 feet.

Central African Coast/Indian Ocean: Tanzania and Kenyan coastal regions continue to be influenced by the Southwestern Monsoon pattern. During this forecast period the region will also see marginal impact from a tropical cyclone currently located over the southwestern Indian Ocean. Expect south-southeasterly winds of 15 – 20 knots, gusting to 35 knots in or near thunderstorms, with seas of 5 – 7 feet. **Extended Forecast:** Expect south-southwesterly winds of 25 – 30 knots, gusting to 35 knots in or near thunderstorms, with seas of 5 – 7 feet.

Pirate Skiff Capability for Indian Ocean and the Gulf of Aden



Source: Naval Oceanographic
Office Warfighting Support Center

Terminology

Attempted Boarding – Close approach or hull-to-hull contact with reporting that boarding paraphernalia were employed or visible in the approaching boat.

Boarding – Unauthorized boarding of a vessel by persons not part of its complement without successfully taking control of the vessel.

Fired Upon – Weapons discharged at or toward a vessel.

Hijacking – Unauthorized seizure and retention of a vessel by persons not part of its complement.

Kidnapping – Unauthorized forcible removal of persons belonging to the vessel from it.

Robbery – Theft from a vessel or from persons aboard the vessel.

Suspicious Approach – All other unexplained close proximity of an unknown vessel.

Information Cut-off Date: 7 June 2012