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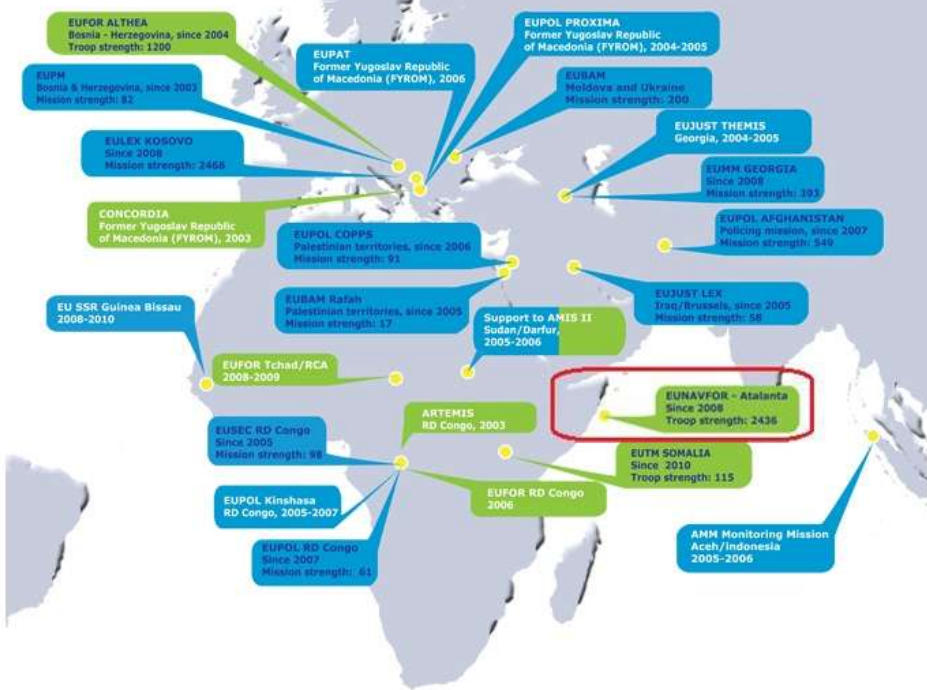
EU NAVFOR – Atalanta, the first EU naval operation

Overview of the missions and operations of the European Union
April 2012

Civilian missions: ongoing/completed

Military operations: ongoing/completed

"Strengths take into account international and local staff"



- Launched 2008 by Council Decision
- Within CSDP framework
- In accordance with UNSC Resolutions and
- International Law



Mandate

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Protection of World Food Programme (WFP) and African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) shipping;





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Deterrence, prevention
and repression of piracy;





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Protection of
vulnerable shipping;



contributing to the
monitoring of fishing
activities off the
coast of Somalia.





Command

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Operation
Commander
Rear Admiral
Duncan L. Potts
UK Navy

The Operation Commander leads the operation from the Operational Headquarters (OHQ) at Northwood, United Kingdom. There he plans and conducts the operation in conjunction with the political and military authorities of the European Union.



Deputy
Operation
Commander
Rear Admiral
Rainer Endres,
German Navy



Force
Commander
Rear Admiral
Jean-Baptiste
Dupuis
French Navy

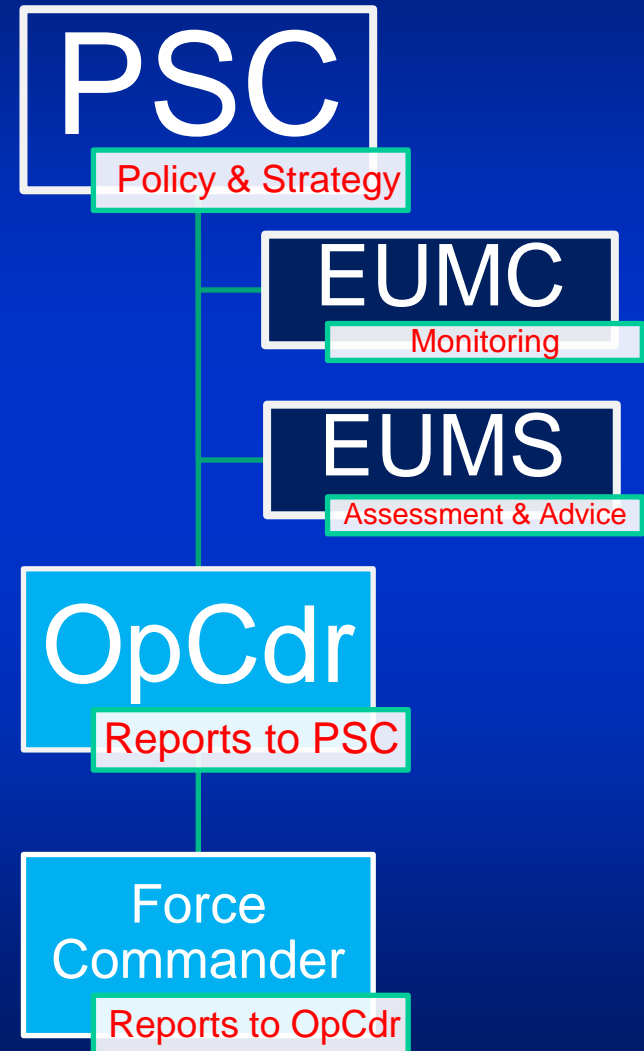
The Force Commander is exercising command and control of all military forces in the Operation Area from the EU NAVFOR flagship FS Marne. He is responsible for planning, orchestration and execution of military activities.



Political Control and Strategic Direction

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- The Political and Security Committee (PSC) exercises the political control and strategic direction of the EU military operation, under the authority of the Council of the European Union. It receives the opinion of the EUMC, assisted by the EUMS. The Operation Commander (OpCdr) reports directly to the PSC.
- The European Union Military Committee (EUMC) monitors the proper execution of the operation conducted under the responsibility of the Operation Commander. The chairman of the EUMC acts as the primary point of contact with the EU Operation Commander.
- The European Union Military Staff (EUMS) is a part of the European External Action Service and provides in-house military expertise for the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) and performs early warning; strategic planning; and situation assessment as advisory body in support of Operation ATALANTA.





Contributing Countries

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Participation goes beyond EU Member States:



Norway was the first non-EU country to contribute to the Operation.

Croatia and Ukraine have provided staff officers to the Operation Headquarters (OHQ).

Additionally, offers from Montenegro and Serbia to contribute have been accepted.



EU NAVFOR OHQ is located at Northwood Headquarters in Northwood (North-West of London), UK.



Means of Contributing

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- Navy vessels (currently 9),
- Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Aircraft (MPRA, currently 5),
- Vessel Protection Detachment (VPD) teams.
- Providing military staff
 - at the OHQ
 - onboard units.





Counter Piracy Forces

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EU - ATALANTA

NATO - OCEAN SHIELD

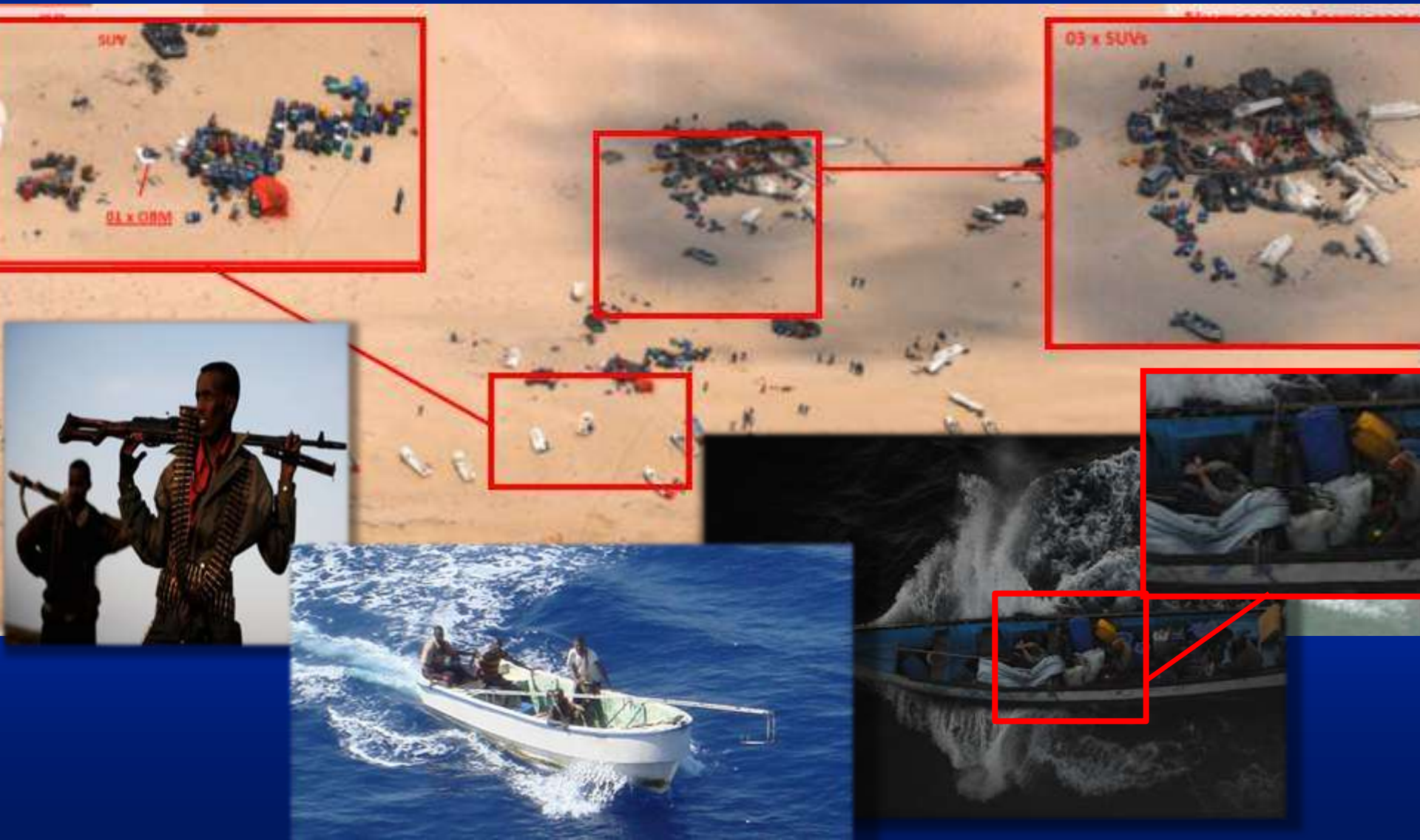
US Lead - CMF

Additionally, independent national units from China, India, Japan, Russia, Taiwan and others operate in the area – all committed to Counter Piracy (CP) but to some extent with varying mandates and mission objectives.



Piracy

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Typical Pirate boats and ships

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Attack Skiff:

- High powered outboard motor
- Ladder
- 4 - 6 armed pirates



Whaler Mothership:

- Towing 2 Attack Skiffs
- Ladders
- 15+ barrels containing water & fuel
- 10 -12 armed pirates



Dhow Mothership: (Having been pirated first)

- 2 Attack Skiffs onboard
- Ladders.
- 15+ Barrels containing water & fuel.
- 10 -12 armed pirates
- Crew hostages.



Typical pirate weapons

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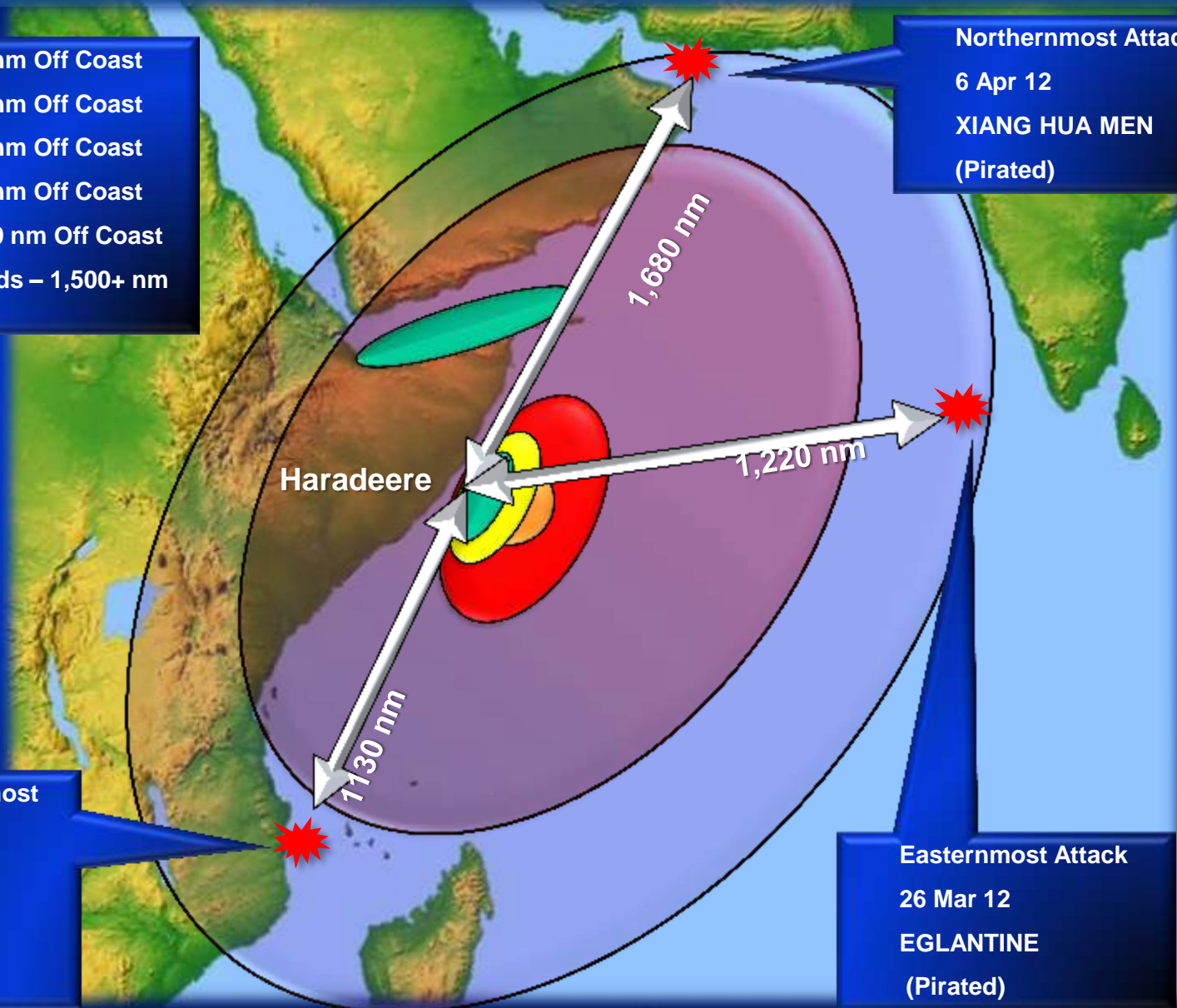




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Pirate range

- 2005 – 165 nm Off Coast
- 2006 – 200 nm Off Coast
- 2007 – 200 nm Off Coast
- 2008 – 445 nm Off Coast
- 2009 – 1,200 nm Off Coast
- 2010 onwards – 1,500+ nm Off Coast



Northernmost Attack
6 Apr 12
XIANG HUA MEN
(Pirated)

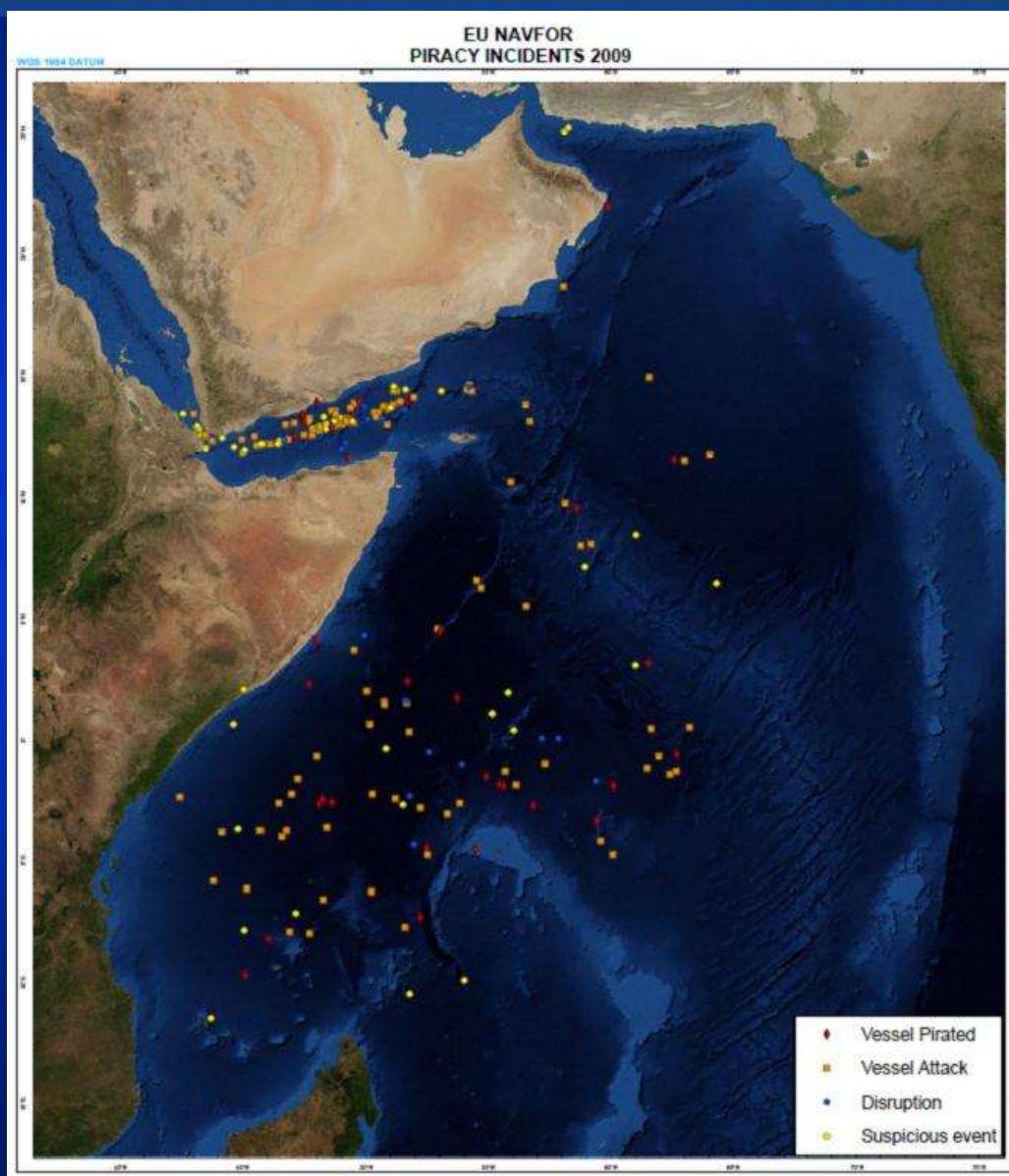
Southernmost Attack
13 Apr 12
CANARISE PRINCESS
(Pirated)

Easternmost Attack
26 Mar 12
EGLANTINE
(Pirated)



Pirate Activity 2009

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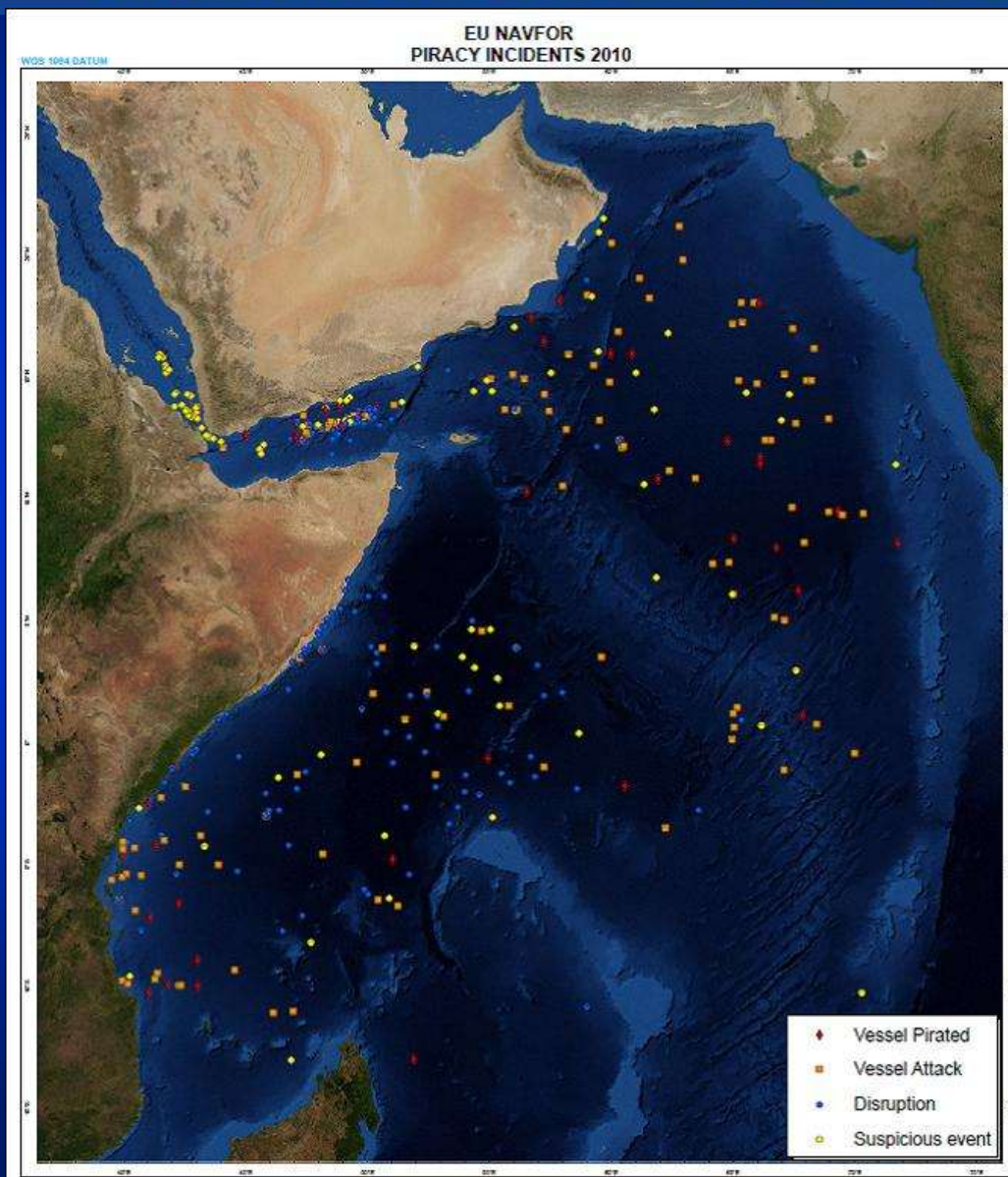
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Pirate Activity 2010

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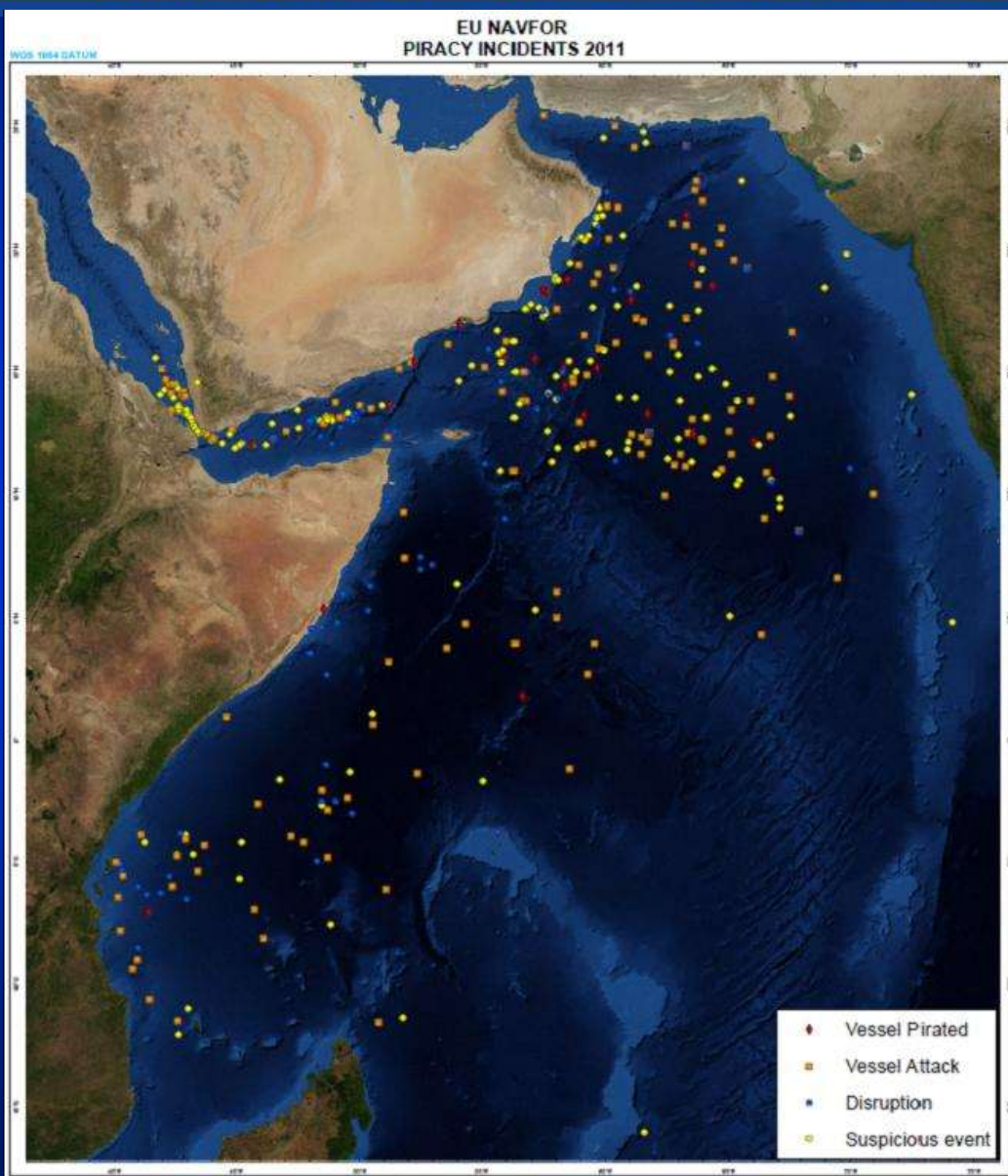
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Pirate Activity 2011

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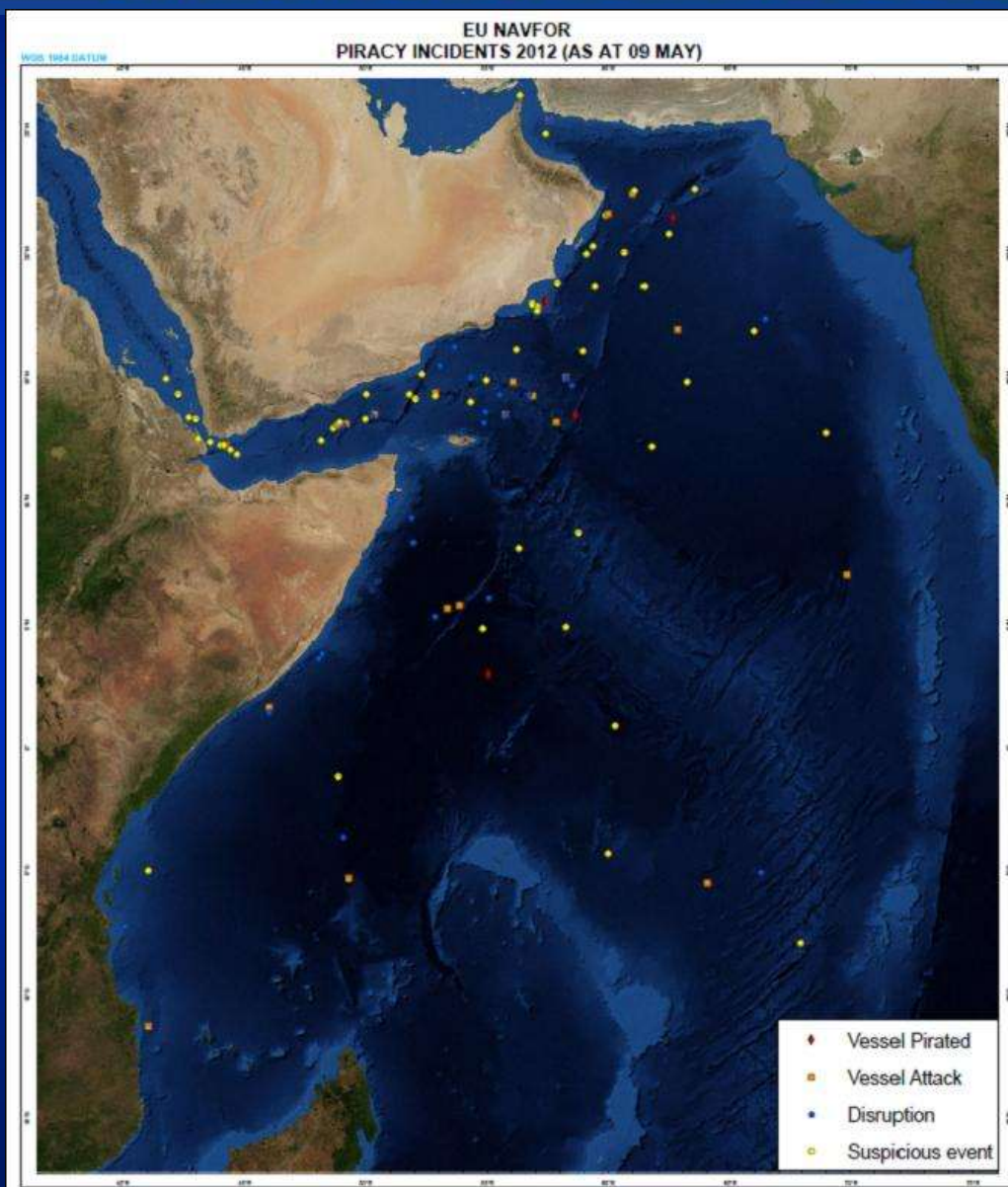
2011

-  Pirated
-  Attack
-  Disruption
-  Suspicious event



Pirate Activity 2012

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2012



Pirate Activity 2011

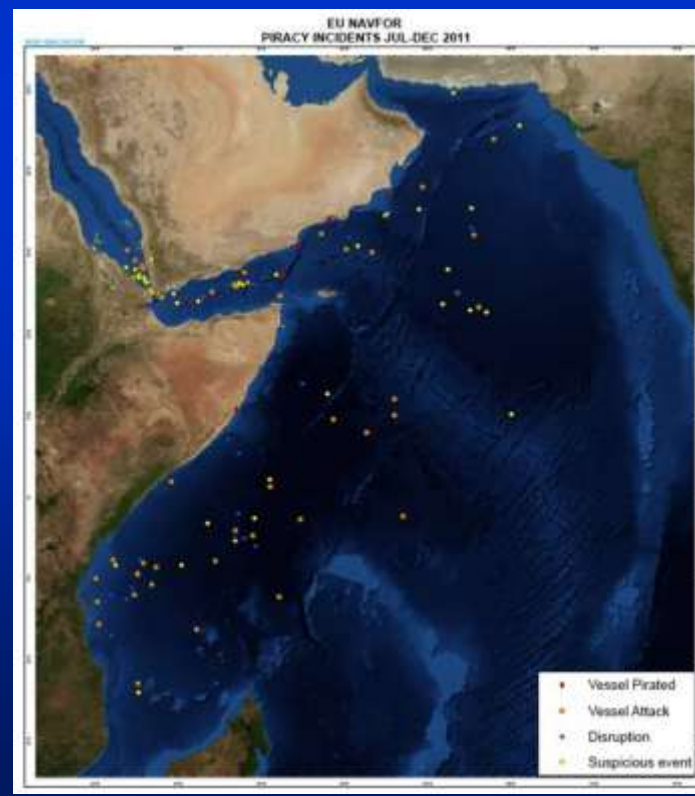
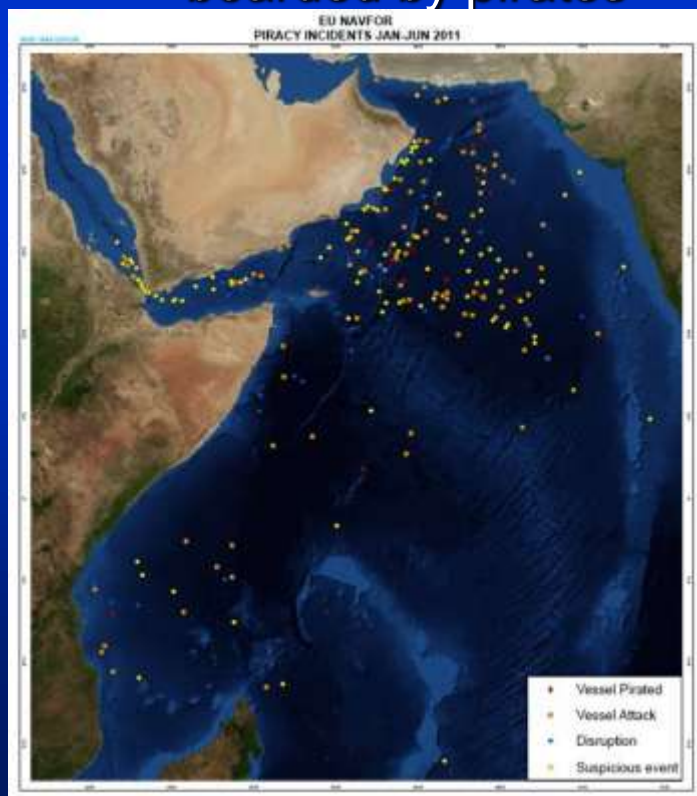
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Jan-Jun 11

- Number and area of attacks are consistent with expectation
- 121 attacks, with 19 ships boarded by pirates

Jul-Dec 11

- Unexpected reduction in pirate success
- 55 attacks with 6 ships boarded by pirates

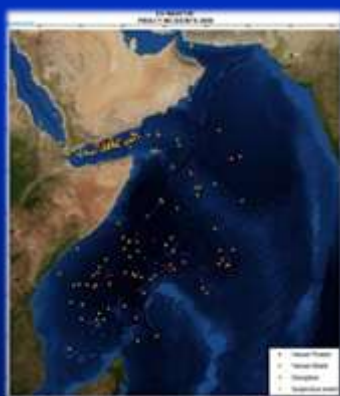




Pirate Activity 2009-2012

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	2009	2010	2011	2012
Attacks	117	127	151	26
Pirated	46	47	25	4
Total incidents	163	174	176	30
Disruptions	14	65	28	10

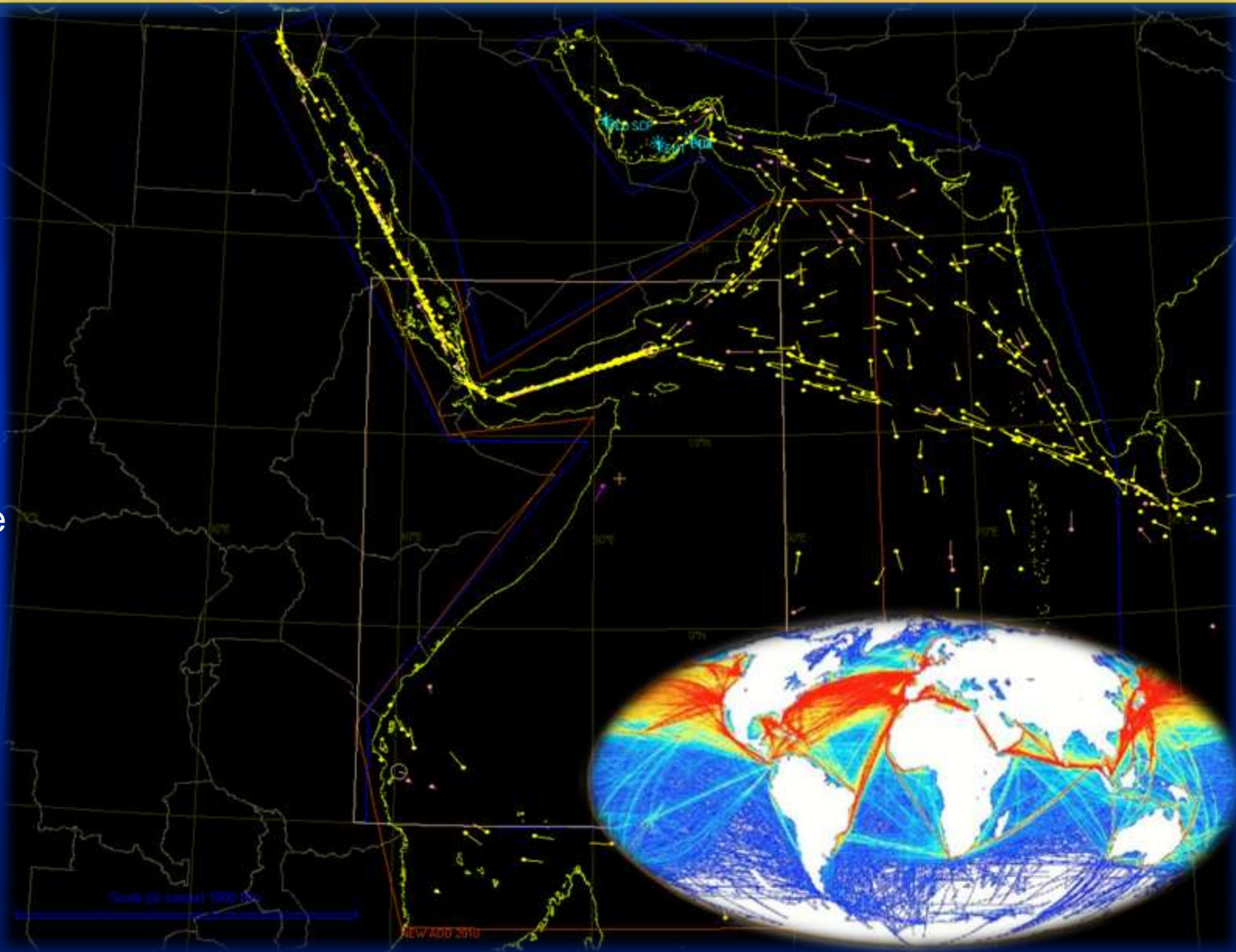




International Trade Movement

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- **23000** ship transits through the Gulf of Aden annually
- **50%** of the world's containers pass through the Gulf of Aden



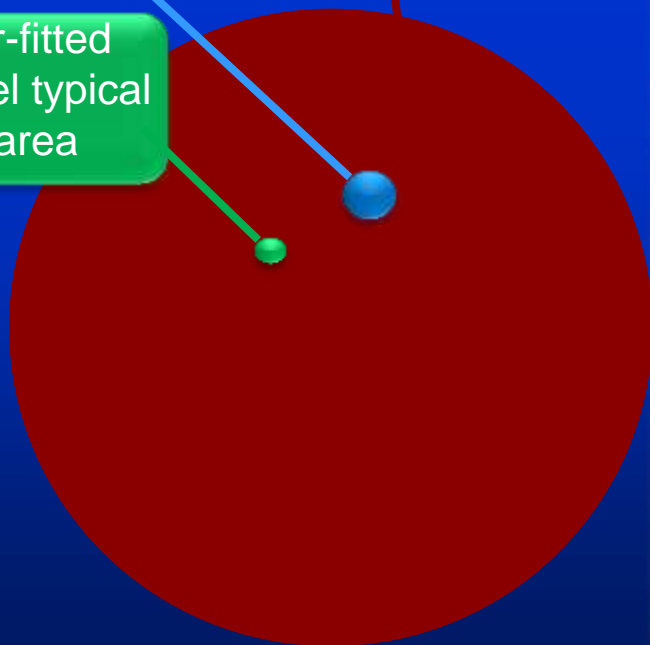


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EUNAVFOR ATALANTA
Area of Operation (AoO)
2 million
nautical square
miles

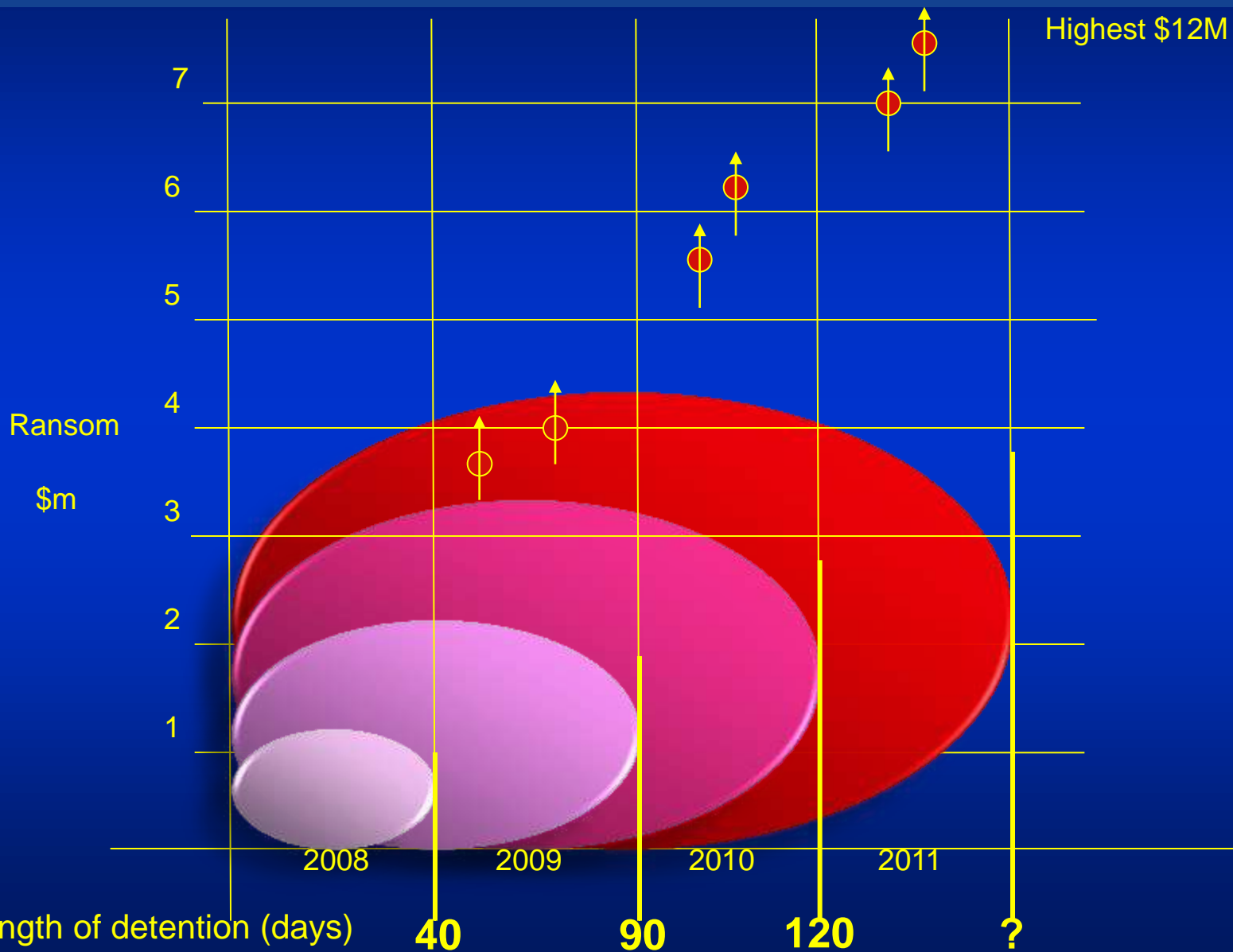
Maritime Patrol
Aircraft typical
search area

Helicopter-fitted
Naval Vessel typical
Search area





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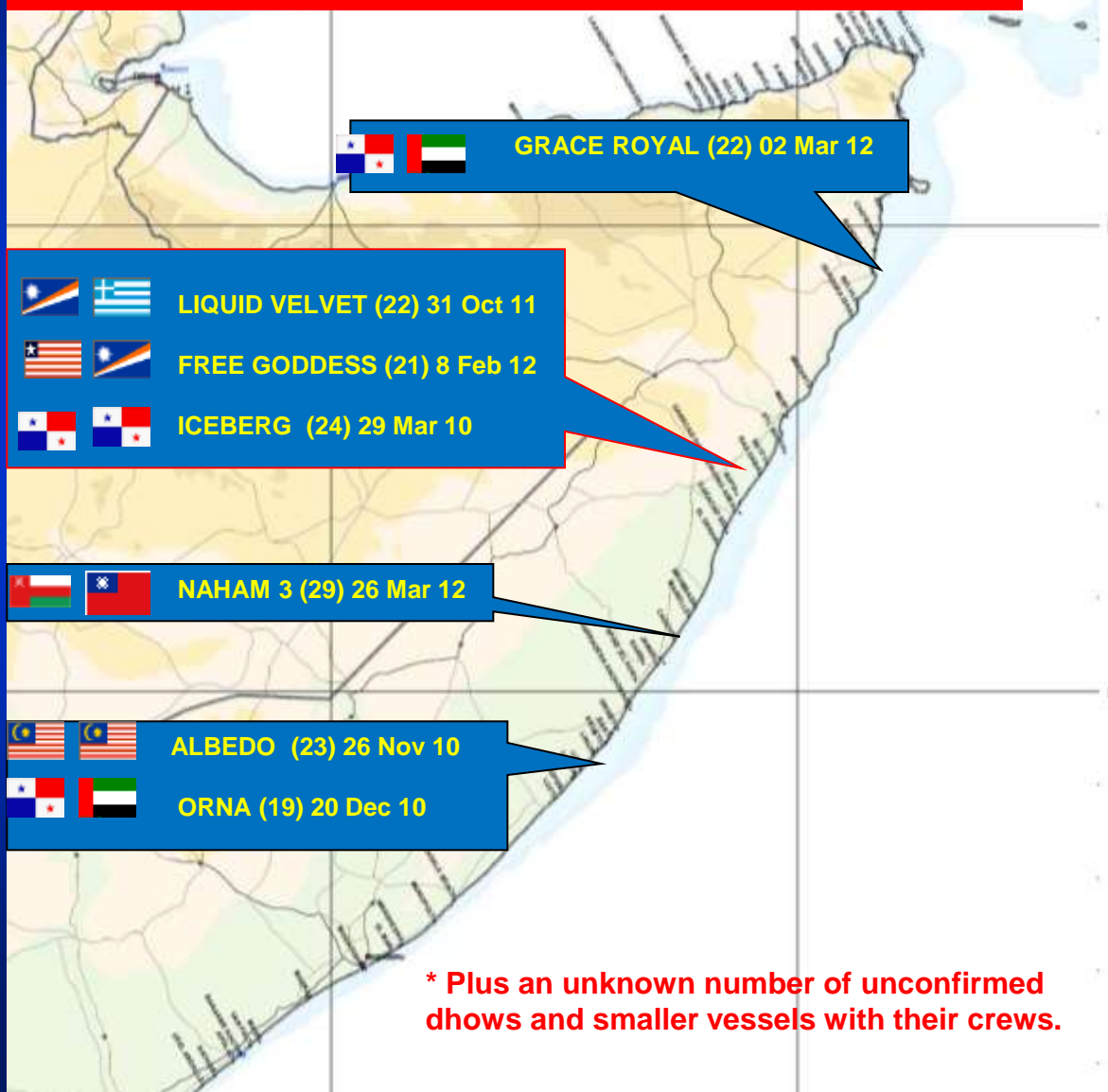




Currently held hostages and ships

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7 PIRATED VESSELS – 209 HOSTAGES*



* Plus an unknown number of unconfirmed dhows and smaller vessels with their crews.

51 HOSTAGES WITHOUT VESSEL

VESSEL	HOSTAGES
EX PRANTALAY	4
EX ASPHALT VENTURE	7
EX CHOIZIL	2
EX LEOPARD	6
EX FV SHIUH FU 1	26
EX GEMINI	4
EX ARIDE	2

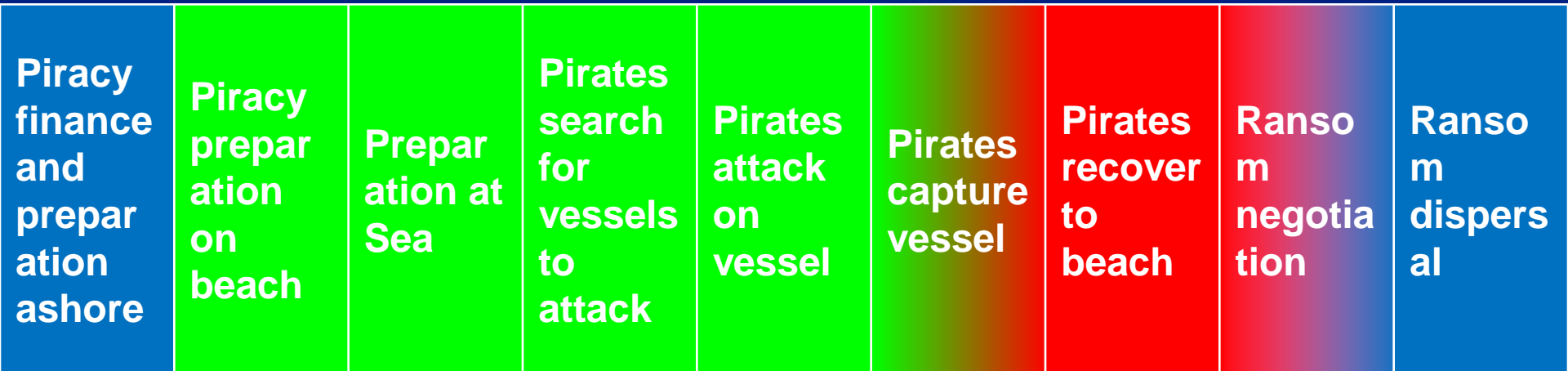
RANSOMS

TOTAL 2010	\$79.8 (from 25 Ransoms)
AVERAGE 2010	\$3.19 Million
TOTAL 2011	\$146.2 Million (30)
AVERAGE 2011	\$4.87 Million
TOTAL 2012	\$19.6 Million (4)
AVERAGE 2012	\$6.4 Million



Pirate Business Model

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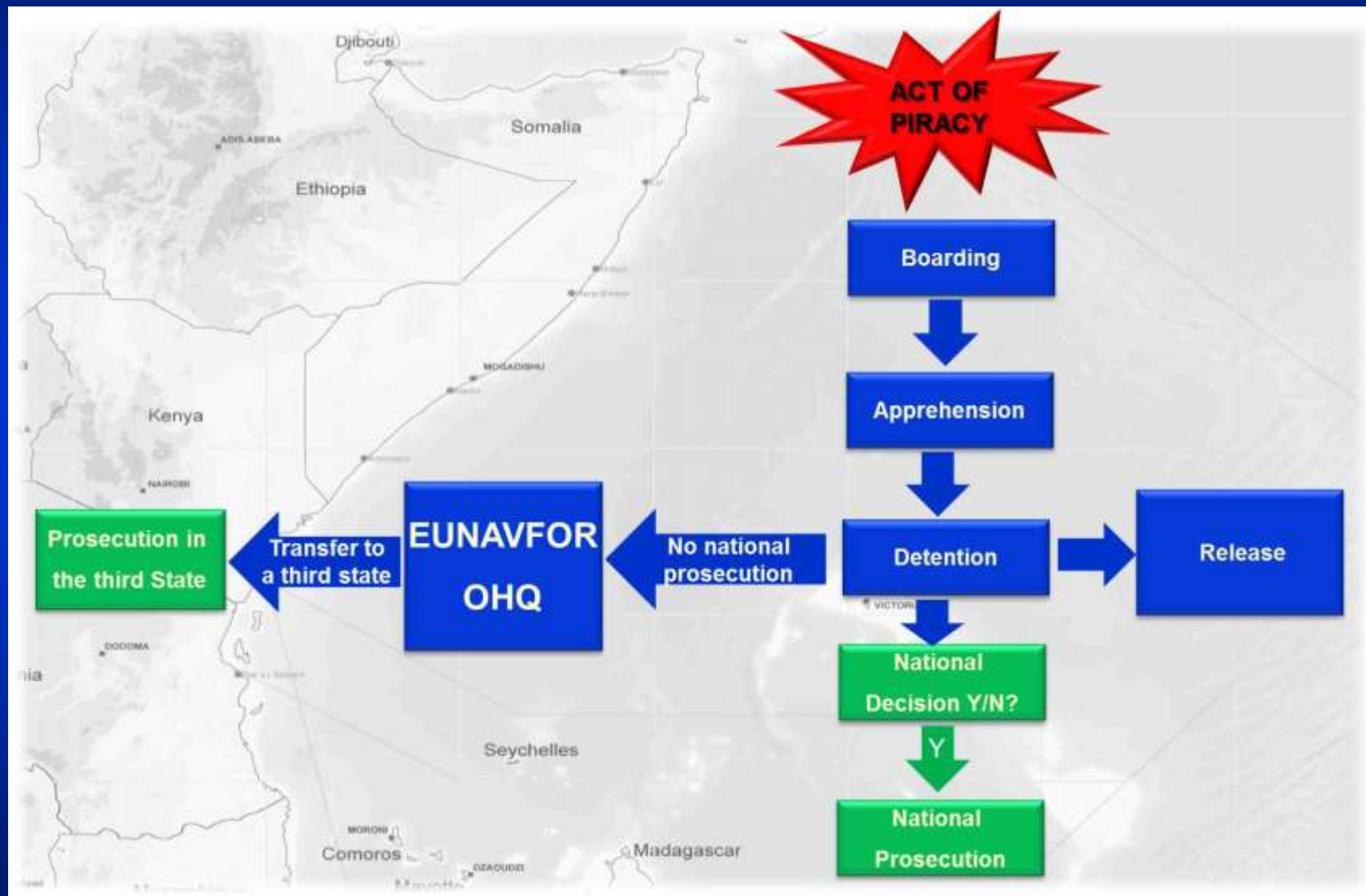
	Non-military action required
	No EU NAVFOR disruptive influence
	Steps where EU NAVFOR can act against piracy





Legal Procedure

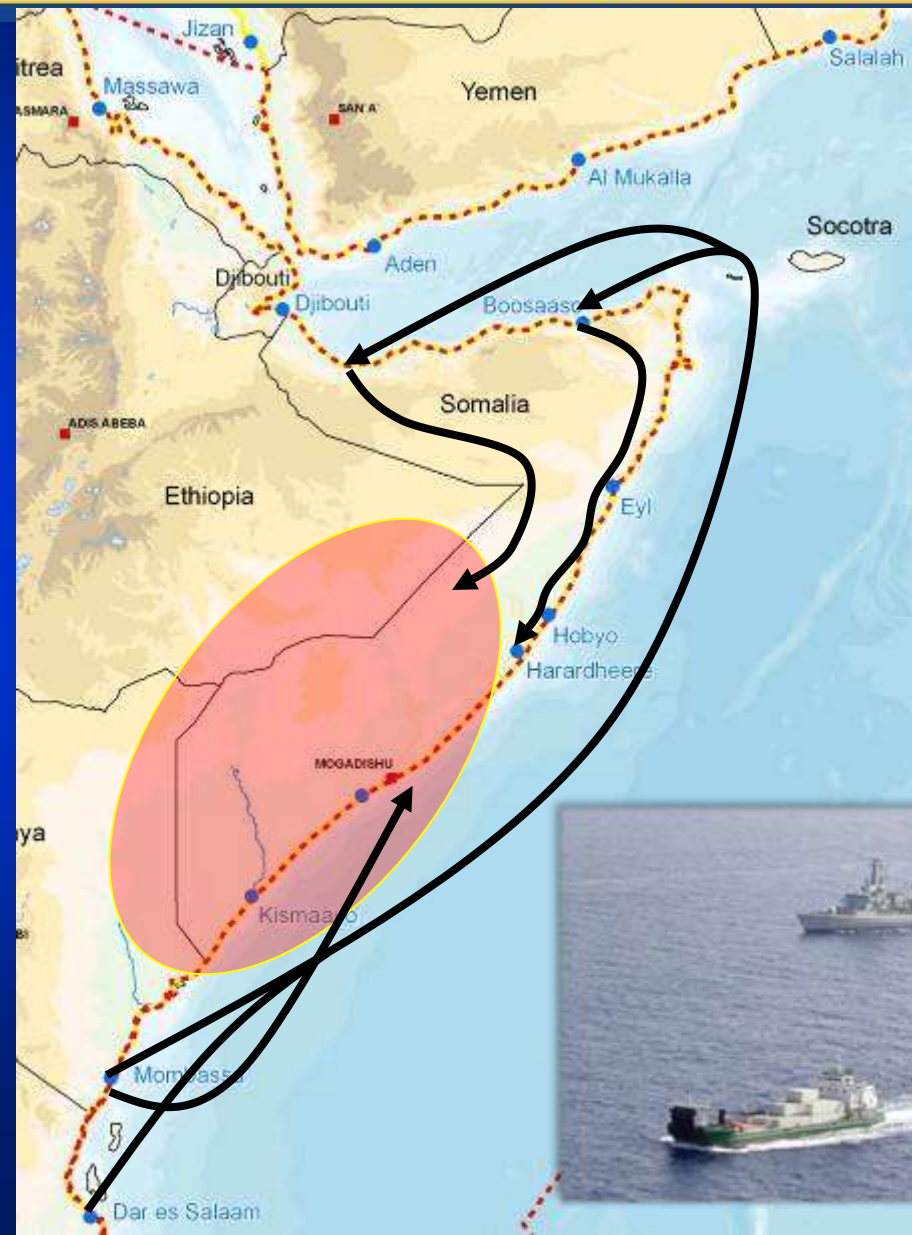
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Enforcing UNSC Resolutions

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- 100% success rate protecting WFP and AMISOM vessels
- 824.000 tonnes of humanitarian aid transported into Somalia via 156 WFP ships.
- 124 ships have reached Mogadishu to supply the AMISOM troops operating in support of the Transitional Federal Government.





Enforcing UNSC Resolutions

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- 117 disruptions of attack skiffs and mother ships
- 117 suspected pirates transferred, of which 68 were convicted.

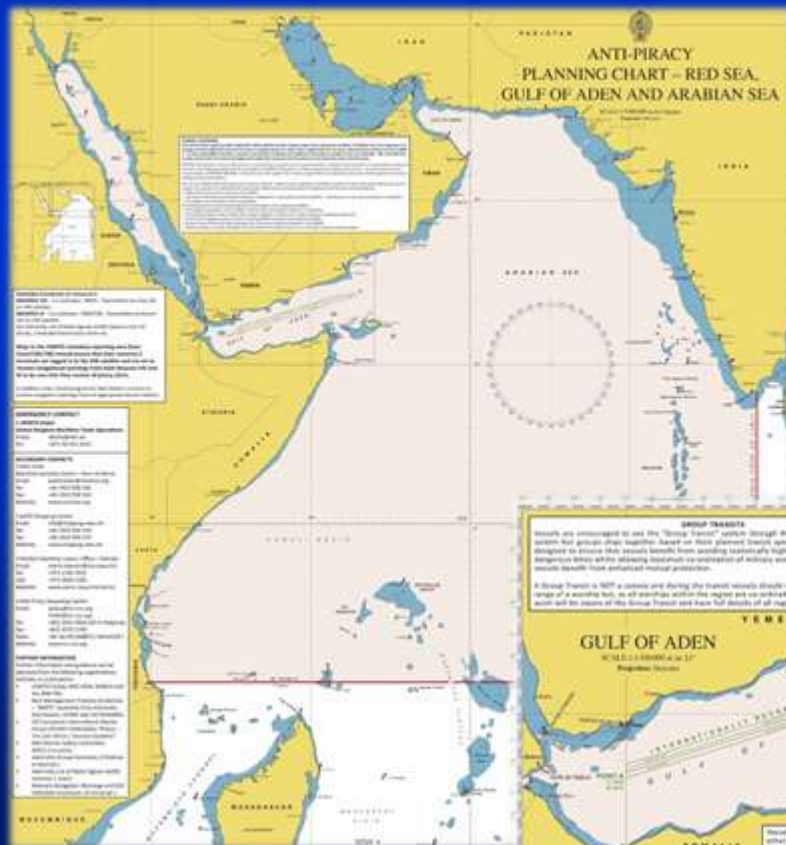




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- safeguarding other vulnerable shipping within the IRTC and the High Risk Area





MARITIME SECURITY CENTRE – Horn of Africa

MSC-HOA is an initiative established by EU NAVFOR with close cooperation from industry.

MSC-HOA provides

- 24h monitoring of vessels transiting through the Gulf of Aden
- anti-piracy guidance to industry

Owners and operators who have vessels transiting the region are strongly encouraged to register their movements with MSC-HOA to improve their security and reduce the risk of attacks or capture.



Industry Self Protection Measures

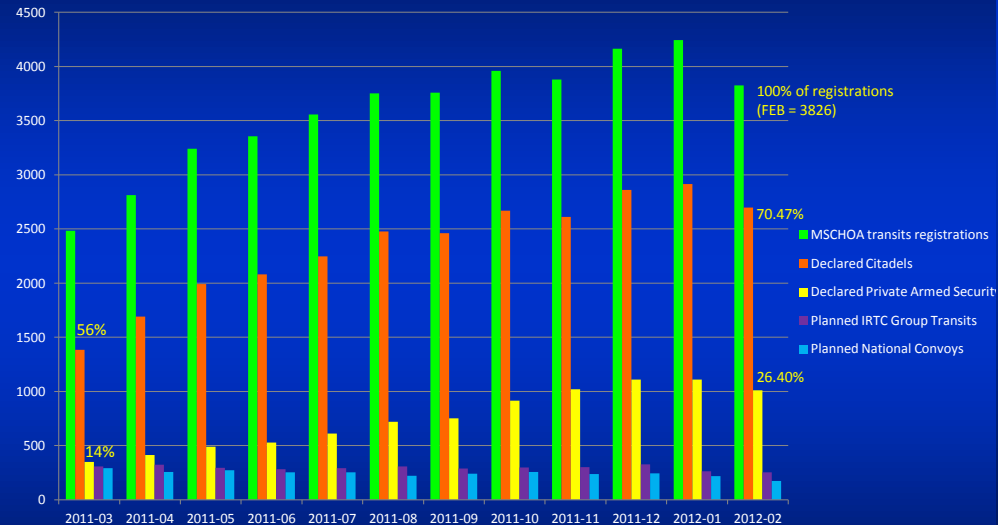
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- Best Managements Practice (BMP)



Self Protection Measures as from March 2011*





EU Comprehensive Approach

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EU NAVFOR - ATALANTA is part of the

EU Comprehensive Approach in the Horn of Africa.

The European Union works towards eradicating the root causes of piracy by contributing to the social and economic development of Somalia, concentrating on three sectors of cooperation:

- **governance,**
- **education, and the**
- **productive sectors, particularly rural development.**

The European Union adopted in November 2011 a "Strategic Framework for the Horn of Africa" to guide the EU's engagement in the region.



EU Training Mission (EUTM Somalia)

trains Somali soldiers in Uganda to contribute to strengthening the Transitional Federal Government (TFG) and the institutions of Somalia.





Regional Maritime Capacity Building (RMCB)

RMCB is a civilian regional training mission under preparation, which allows for maximising synergies between military and civilian capabilities by addressing two main objectives:

- a) Strengthen the sea going maritime capacity of Djibouti, Kenya, Tanzania, and the Seychelles.
- b) Train and equip the Coastal Police Force in the Somali regions of Puntland, Somaliland and Galmudug, as well as train and protect judges in the Somali region of Puntland.



EU Comprehensive Approach Capability Building

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The EU offers substantial financial and technical support to the

African Union's Mission to Somalia (AMISOM).

EU funding of **€325.4 million** for

- mission allowances,
- medical care,
- accommodation,
- fuel, and
- communication equipment

AMISOM is an active, regional peacekeeping mission operated by the African Union with the approval of the United Nations in Somalia. It is mandated to support transitional governmental structures, implement a national security plan, train the Somali security forces, and to assist in creating a secure environment for the delivery of humanitarian aid.. As part of its duties, AMISOM also supports the Transitional Federal Government's forces in their battle against Al-Shabaab militants.



In December 2011, Mr. Alexander Rondos was appointed EU Special Representative to the Horn of Africa.

He shall coordinate EU efforts in the region with initial focus on Somalia and on piracy, which has its root causes in the instability of Somalia.



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Further Assistance to Somalia (not exhaustive):

Development aid from the European Commission (10th EDF 2008-2013)

• **€415 million**

Focal Sectors:

- Governance: €60 million
- Education: €55 million
- Economic Development and Food Security: €55 million

Humanitarian aid from the European Commission (ECHO) since 2005:

• **€280 million**



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