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SHIP SECURITY ADVISORY No. 06-21

To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Company Security Officers, Recognized Security Organizations

Subject: REDUCTION TO INDIAN OCEAN HIGH RISK AREA

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This Ship Security Advisory (SSA) supersedes SSA No. 01-19.

The Round Table of International Shipping Associations and Oil Companies International Marine Forum (OCIMF), representing the global shipping and oil industries, have recently amended the geographic boundaries of the Indian Ocean / Best Management Practices ([BMP5](#)) High Risk Area (HRA), **effective 1 September 2021**.

The [joint industry press release](#), which contains an illustrative map and the exact coordinates of the revised HRA, can be found on the “Red Sea, Gulf Of Aden, Somali Basin, Arabian Sea” section of the [Maritime Global Security website](#). The new HRA boundaries have been reduced to include the territorial seas and exclusive economic zones of Eritrea, Yemen, and Somalia.

Effective 1 September 2021, the new coordinates of the HRA are:



- Position A (lat of 01° 30' S on the Somali coast), a line to
- Position B (01° 30' S – 046° 00' E), a line to
- Position C (01° 00' N – 049° 30' E), a line to
- Position D (09° 00' N – 055° 00' E), a line to
- Position E (14° 20' N – 057° 30' E), a line to
- Position F (the Yemeni coast at lon 053° 00' E), then
- Follow the Yemeni coast westwards and northwards, to
- Position G (the Yemeni Red Sea coast lat 15° 00' N), then a line to
- Position H (the Eritrea territorial sea border at lat 15° 00' N), then follow southward to Eritrea's and Djibouti's territorial sea borders, to
- Position I (coastal border point of Djibouti and Somalia), then
- Follow the Somali coast eastwards and then southwards, to
- Position A.

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