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Issue 216 of the series reviews, analyses and threat assesses the fragile and conflict affected coastal states Libya, Somalia and Yemen. The Mediterranean migrant crisis, incidents affecting maritime security and influencing maritime news are also reported and analysed, focusing on the keys theatres of maritime instability.
Incidents: Nothing significant to report.

UKMTO warns of drifting naval mines
Drifting mines have been reported in an area of Yemen and Saudi Red Sea coastal waters. There is no specific threat to vessels following recognised shipping routes. In response a NAVAREA IX Navigation Warning has been issued:
NAVAREA IX. 071/20.
Southern Red Sea and Farasan Bank.
Charts BA 157; 2964 AND 4071.
Mines reported adrift in area bounded by:
A. 16-45.60N 042-15.70E
B. 15-41.50N 042-39.40E
C. 15-54.00N 043-02.30E
D. 16-58.70N 042-35.10E

Iran ready for Gulf security talks
Iran is ready for talks on security in the Persian Gulf with all parties, including Saudi Arabia, senior adviser to Iranian FM Mehdi Sanaei told reporters. Iran offers talks with Saudi Arabia and expressed readiness for talks on bilateral relations, on regional issues he said, adding he is ready to explain it to everyone and work with everyone according to the Hormuz’s plan for ensuring security in the Persian Gulf.

Oman voices concern over international military presence in Strait of Hormuz
The risk of a military confrontation is higher in the Strait of Hormuz than anywhere else in the Gulf region, Oman’s minister for foreign affairs said, at the Munich Security Conference at the weekend (Feb. 15th-16th).

29 trainees attending course to combat maritime threats
Twenty-nine trainees from 20 member countries and one from Bahrain are attending a regional training course in Jeddah to combat maritime threats and enhance maritime security. The training course was opened by Commander of the Border Guard in Makkah region, Maj. Gen. Talal Ali Al-Shamrani, on behalf of Director General of Border Guard Vice Admiral Awwad Eid Al-Balawi.

Pakistan Navy commissions first of two 2,300 tonne corvettes
The Pakistan Navy (PN) has commissioned the first of two 2,300 tonnes multirole corvettes ordered from Dutch shipbuilder Damen in 2017. Named PNS Yarmook (F-271), the ship, which the company said is based on a Damen Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) 1900, entered serviced in a ceremony held on 13 February at Constanta Port in Romania that was also attended by the PN’s Vice Chief of the Naval Staff Vice Admiral Muhammad Fayyaz Gilani.

Navy chief to visit unit dispatched to Strait of Hormuz
Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Sim Seung-seob will embark on a trip to Oman and Thailand and visit an anti-piracy unit deployed to the Strait of Hormuz, the Navy said. The six-day visit is aimed at boosting maritime security cooperation with the two countries and supporting South Korea’s broader pitch to expand exchanges with Southeast Asia, it said.

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Al Shabaab remains a major threat to US and partners within East Africa, the US Department of Defense has said, warning that “they might expand their territories”. For a decade now, the al-Qaeda associated insurgents have caused havoc within Somalia and her neighbors, killing over 4,000 people in deadly bomb attacks. The US has been one of the major partners in the fight against Al Shabaab, although the successes remain limited, DoD said in a recent report.

13 Al Shabaab militants killed
At least 13 militants of Somali-based al-Qaeda affiliated group Al Shabaab were killed, and several others wounded in a military operation against the group in lower Shabelle region on Monday 17th, an official said. Somalia’s specially-trained forces known as Danab conducted a military operation against Al Shabaab facilities near the town of Leego, located in the northwest of the capital Mogadishu, according to Somali military radio.

Al Shabaab expands tax empire in Mogadishu
Al Shabaab is steadily increasing its influence in Mogadishu under FGS control, a host of businessmen have said, adding that ‘they might expand their tax empire to neighboring countries’. For a decade, the militant group has caused havoc in the Horn of Africa, mainly in Somalia and Kenya. In Nairobi last week, a host of businessmen frequenting Mogadishu and Nairobi raised the alarm over the alleged takeover of the port city by militants, taking total control of taxation.

U.S. resumes security funding to Somalia to boost anti-terror efforts
The United States has said it has resumed some direct security assistance to Somalia to help boost counter-terrorism operations in the southern region against Al-Shabab militants. The U.S. which suspended food and fuel assistance for most of Somalia’s armed forces over corruption concerns in 2017 lauded efforts taken by the government to improve the public financial management of the Somali National Armed Forces (SNAF).

Al Shabaab intelligence head resigns
The head of al Shabaab’s Amniyat (intelligence), Muse Mu’awiye, has resigned from the group, according to the Somali National Intelligence and Security Agency (NISA). Al Shabaab leader Ahmad Umar (Abu Ubaidah) dismissed two key commanders from the group’s top (executive) council earlier this month after they advised him to curb civilian attacks in the Somali capital Mogadishu.

AFRICOM chief affirms US military support to E. Africa
Gen. Stephen Townsend, commander of the United States Africa Command (AFRICOM), concluded visits on Thursday 13th to Kenya and Somalia to emphasize the partnership and security between the East African countries and the U.S. During his two-day trip to East Africa, AFRICOM said Townsend visited the Kenyan Defense Force installation at Manda Bay, where militants from the al-Shabaab terrorist network on Jan. 5th attacked the Kenya-U.S. base.

Disputed oil blocks at stake
President Mohamed Abdullahi Farmajo has signed a law that gives the central government powers to sell the country’s oil blocks for commercial drilling, giving his administration full control of the unexploited crude deposits. The new Petroleum Act paves the way for creation of a state-owned oil company with authority to sign exploration deals with foreign entities that have been lining up for the country’s more than 200 petroleum blocks.

Analysis
Al Shabaab continues to mount operations throughout the country, despite efforts by US Central Command to degrade its capabilities with ongoing airstrikes which aim to remove AS leadership. It is questionable as to whether this “body count” policy is working.

Threat Assessment
The political situation has seen increased tension between regional states and the Federal Government. Should this continue, there is an opportunity for criminal organisations to return to their previous maritime activities. Al Shabaab continues to challenge the government and efforts to disrupt its operations continue, although AMISOM forces will withdraw some time in 2019. The trade in illegal charcoal by terror and crime groups continues, although the Combined Maritime Forces and UN are working on measures to prevent it. Youth unemployment in Somalia has not improved with 67% of Somali male youths aged between 14 to 29 unemployed. Pirate financiers offer lucrative and attractive opportunities, and were seen to be increasingly active in the last inter-monsoon period. Recent incidents off Somalia have highlighted the robust protections offered by both BMPs and well trained, vigilant armed protection teams. Illegal fishing has returned to the region and there are wider political concerns that it could spark a resurgence in maritime crime unless checked. There is a risk that complacency in some quarters has seen a reduction in PMSC presence in these waters that could result in a piracy success. A lack of adherence to BMP5 protocol, particularly not maintaining a safe distance off the coast, has increased risks to shipping. Merchant vessels would be wise to maintain the same distance from the coast, particularly ensuring that the Socotra Gap isn’t taken. All vessels are advised to update risk assessments and register with UKMTO/MSCHOA prior to entering the Indian Ocean High Risk Area (IHR A).
Yemen's warring sides have agreed to implement a major prisoner swap, the United Nations has said, in a breakthrough that came after another bout of heavy fighting, including air raids by a Saudi-UAE-led military coalition that killed dozens of civilians. Sunday's (16th) announcement over the long-delayed exchange came after seven days of meetings in Jordan's capital, Amman, between the Houthi rebels and the internationally-recognised government, which is backed by the coalition.

Unknown gunmen kill security official in southern Yemen
An official of the newly-recruited security forces was killed by unknown gunmen in Yemen's southern port city of Aden on Monday, a government official told Xinhua. "Two masked gunmen opened fire and assassinated a security official named as Abu Raghef while he was driving his vehicle in the northeastern parts of Aden," the local government source said.

Yemen Govt Urges Int'l Community to Curb Iran's Weapons Smuggling to Houthis
The Yemeni government on Sunday 16th renewed its call to the international community to classify the Houthi group, which is loyal to Iran, as a terrorist organization. This came after the group continued to pose a threat to Yemenis, international interests, and neighboring countries. The Yemeni government also called for greater international pressure on Iran to stop smuggling arms shipments to the group. This followed a US Navy warship seizing a shipment of Iranian weapons that officials said were being sent to Houthis in Yemen.

Yemen airstrike kills 31 civilians after Saudi jet crash
Thirty-one people were killed in air strikes on Yemen on Saturday 15th, the United Nations says, the victims of an apparent Saudi-led retaliation after Iran-backed Houthi rebels claimed to have shot down one of Riyadh's jets. The Tornado aircraft came down on Friday in northern Al-Jawf province during an operation to support government forces.

Houthis step back on threats to tax aid
Houthi rebels have dropped a threat to tax international assistance sent to the war-torn country. The rebel group, which has controlled the capital Sanaa and much of Yemen since 2014, had said they would impose a 2% levy on humanitarian aid. However, in a letter seen by AFP and confirmed by the Houthis on Friday 14th, the group agreed to drop the demand.

Houthis breaches cease-fire, Yemen government tells monitors
Yemeni soldiers have asked international monitors stationed in the southern port city of Hodeidah to visit their observation posts to document daily cease-fire breaches by Houthi militia. Baha Khalefa, one of 10 government soldiers deployed at the joint observation posts, said the team faced death every day due to thousands of landmines and from sporadic shelling by Houthis.

Sudan reaches settlement with USS Cole attack families
Twenty years after an al-Qaeda terrorist attack killed a sailor from Vero Beach and 16 other naval officers, a nation said to have supported the terrorist organization has reached a settlement with the families of those men. Sudan's transitional government said on Thursday 13th the settlement was an answer for the Oct. 12, 2000, attack on the USS Cole in Yemen, in a bid to have the African country taken off the U.S. terrorism list and improve relations with the West.

6 Houthi commanders killed in clashes with Yemen forces
Yemen's Houthi rebel group said six of its commanders have been killed in recent battles with the government forces, according to the group-run Saba news agency. In the coastal province of Hodeidah, clashes broke out on Thursday 13th between government forces and Houthi rebels.

Army foils Houthi attempt to take over Taiz
Dozens of Houthi militants have been killed in Yemen's southern city of Taiz as the Iran-backed militias push to break army's lines of defenses and to reimpose their siege on the city, an army spokesperson told Arab News on Wednesday 12th. Col. Abdul Basit Al-Baher said attacks on government forces on all fronts around the city had escalated in an attempt to make a major breakthrough.

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MST recommends BMP measures be enforced and watches strengthened during transits in the region.
EU agrees new Libya sea patrols after Austria lifts veto
The European Union will launch a new naval and air mission in the eastern Mediterranean to stop more weapons reaching the warring factions in Libya, foreign ministers agreed on Monday, after Austria lifted its veto. The move will see Operation Sophia end its efforts to stop migrant smugglers and refocus on the illegal arms trade, media outlets reported on Feb. 17th.

80 migrants picked up off the Spanish coast
Spanish media reports that calm weather saw an increase in crossings over the weekend of Feb. 15th-16th, leading to Spanish authorities picking up 80 migrants in six boats near Cabo de Palos.

Migrant numbers doubled between December and January in central Mediterranean
The EU agency Frontex reported Wednesday that migrant crossings using central Mediterranean routes doubled between December 2019 and January 2020 to about 1,500. The number of migrants that crossed the central Mediterranean towards European shores doubled in January 2020 compared with the previous month, the European Border and Coast Guard Agency Frontex said.

Refugees on board Aita Mari disembark in Sicily
Rescued migrants onboard Spanish NGO rescue vessel Aita Mari could finally go ashore at the southern Italian port city of Messina on Friday 14th. The vessel had picked up 158 migrants several days earlier. In a separate development, the Maltese coast guard on Thursday and Friday picked up some 160 people from three boats; there were allegations that officials had waited for 18 hours before taking any action.

The current migrant smuggling situation
The news that Operation Sophia will effectively end its efforts against people smugglers should come as no surprise. The shift to prevent weapons smuggling to Libya is clearly more pressing for the international community and, in reality, the conflict continues to impact effective policing of migrant smugglers in the region. While it was hoped that some assets would be used in rescue missions, concerns from some EU states that it would in some way see more migrants arrive in EU countries appear to have ended hopes that NGO rescue groups would have more substantial support on the water. It remains to be seen how the operation will work in practice, particularly given ongoing threats from Haftar’s LNA forces.

Migrant crossings 2017-2020. Source: UNHCR

Migrant statistics in the Mediterranean (Figures last updated on Feb. 18th 2020). Source: UNHCR
The UN-backed arms embargo in Libya has become a joke and the country’s financial position is deteriorating rapidly, the UN deputy special envoy for Libya, Stephanie Williams, has said after foreign ministers met in Munich to try to enforce a ceasefire between the two warring sides. Since a meeting of world leaders in Berlin last month to draw up a Libyan peace plan, both sides in the civil war have ignored international appeals and turned back to their external sponsor nations for further arms and mercenary support. Last week the UN security council passed a resolution calling for enforcement of the arms embargo and a ceasefire.

Libya peace talks in limbo after attack on main port
The UN-backed Libyan government says it’s pulling out of peace talks in Geneva after forces loyal to a rival parliament shelled the capital, Tripoli on Feb. 18th. Shipping in the port was targeted, prompting the national oil company to order all fuel tankers to be evacuated.

Sea and air mission ‘to stop weapons reaching Libya’
European foreign ministers meeting in Brussels on Tuesday 18th agreed a new naval and air mission to stop more arms from reaching warring factions in Libya. The mission will focus on the eastern Mediterranean where there are reports of arms trafficking.

Mitiga airport closed due to Haftar attack
Flights to Libya’s only civil airport were halted amid attacks by militias loyal to renegade Libyan general Khalifa Haftar on Monday 17th. In a statement, management of the Mitiga Airport in the Libyan capital Tripoli said the airport was targeted during a Libyan Airlines’ plane’s take off.

UNMAS: Threat of unexploded bombs is rising in Libya
The threat posed by unexploded bombs is rising exponentially in wartorn Libya, experts have warned, with the use of banned cluster weapons a source of particular concern. The UN’s Mine Action Service (Unmas) said that even parts of the country previously cleared of explosive material had been recontaminated following a surge in fighting since April last year, when Khalifa Haftar launched a campaign to seize the capital, Tripoli.

No Russian troops in Libya: Kremlin
Russia’s President Vladimir Putin has never ordered sending Russian soldiers to Libya, the Kremlin said on Monday 17th. “There are no Russian troops in Libya,” Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters while commenting on media reports about the funeral of a Russian soldier allegedly killed in Libya.

Libya Faces Disaster If Oil Blockade Continues
Libya is facing financial disaster if the Libyan National Army does not lift the oil port blockade, the Prime Minister of the UN-recognized Government of National Accord said as quoted by local media. “The continuation of the shutdowns will result in a catastrophic financial crisis,” said Fayez Serraj.

Accusation of banned cluster munitions use
Forces affiliated with the Libyan National Army (LNA) used cluster munitions in a residential area in Tripoli on December 2, 2019, Human Rights Watch said on Feb. 13th. The forces, under the command of Khalifa Hiftar, have been battling forces loyal to the United Nations-recognized Government of National Accord (GNA) for control of Tripoli, the capital.

GNA battles Haftar forces in Tripoli attack
Libya’s UN-recognized government said on Thursday 13th it was confronting an ongoing attack by warlord Khalifa Haftar’s forces on the capital Tripoli. A spokesperson for the Government of National Accord (GNA) said fighting is taking place south of the Libyan capital.

Suspension of Libya’s oil exports causes 1.4 bln USD loss
The state-owned Libyan National Oil Corporation (NOC) on Thursday 13th said that the suspension of oil exports due to closure of oil fields and ports has caused a loss of more than 1.4 billion U.S. dollars so far. The country’s daily oil production dropped to the current 163,684 barrels per day, resulting in a total loss of 1.437 billion dollars as of Thursday, the NOC explained.

Libya’s Foreign Minister: Implementation of Security Council ceasefire resolution is crucial
The Libyan Foreign Minister Mohammed Sayala has welcomed the UN Security Council resolution that calls for a ceasefire in Libya, saying he has hoped the resolution receives a unanimous approval. Sayala added that what is important for the UN Security Council resolution is the implementation of the ceasefire in southern Tripoli on the ground.

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Gulf of Guinea

Four soldiers have been reportedly killed as suspected gunmen said to be sea pirates on Sunday 16th attacked an oil barge along the waterways of Lutegbene Community in Ekeremor local government area of Bayelsa state. A community source told Journalists on Monday that the gunmen, who accosted the oil barge along the coast of the Atlantic Ocean killed four soldiers escorting the barge and two civilians onboard. Other crew members in the ill-fated vessel were said to have escaped with gunshot wounds by diving into the water and swam to the nearby settlement for safety.

Incidents:

1. Underway Marshall Islands-flagged container ship attacked and boarded at 0812 UTC in position 01:33N – 005:18E, approx 105nm NW of Sao Tomé and Principe Island, (172nm SSW of Brass, Nigeria) Gulf of Guinea. Pirates boarded from two skiffs. Crew mustered in the citadel. A security vessel with a Nigerian Navy team was dispatched to assist. The Sao Tome Navy/Authorities requested a nearby Portuguese patrol boat to assist as well. The crew emerged from the citadel after the Nigerian navy personnel boarded and searched the ship. Some ships equipment were reported as damaged. Under the escort of the security vessel the ship proceeded to a safe port. Attack ended at 1050 UTC (15 Feb). vessel and crew reported Safe. Reported (MDAT) 14th Feb.

Nigerian Navy Nabs 33 Suspected Oil Thieves in Warri

Nigerian Navy Ship (NNS Delta) in Warri on Feb. 17th handed over 33 suspected oil thieves to the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) officials for further investigations and prosecution. The suspects were handed over along with three ocean going vessels MT Neli, MT De-Praise and MT Madam Esther, as well as a wooden boat and a badge, all laden with substances suspected to be crude oil and illegally produced AGO also known as diesel.

Attack on Maersk Tema: Group recommends special security for Niger Delta

The National Council of Managing Directors of Customs Licensed Agents has called on the Federal Government to set up a special committee made up of professionals to offer advice on maritime security. The National President, NCMDCLA, Mr Lucky Amiwero, made the call in reaction to an attack on a German container ship, Maersk Tema, off Bonny in Rivers State on Friday 14th.

Nigeria discovers one billion barrels of crude oil in the North East

The Nigerian government had discovered one billion barrels of crude oil in the North-East part of the country. The details of the new discovery were disclosed on 12th Feb. by Dr Timipre Sylva, Nigeria’s Nigeria's minister of state for petroleum resources, at the closing ceremony of the International Petroleum Summit in Abuja.

EFCC to try nine foreigners for oil theft

The Nigerian Navy has handed over seven Sri-Lankans and two Ghanaians, who were among the 66 suspected crude oil thieves arrested in December 2019 by operatives of the Nigerian Navy Ship (NNS), BEECROFT in Lagos to the Economic and Financial Crime Commission (EFCC) for prosecution.


No fewer than 1013 people were killed in at least 416 conflicts and violent attacks in the Niger Delta in 2019, a report shows. According to the Foundation for Partnership Initiative in the Niger Delta (PIND) in its Niger Delta Annual Conflict Report, the deaths from such violence increased in 2019 to 416 and 1013 respectively as against what was obtainable in 2018. In 2018, there were 351 incidents and 546 deaths.

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South East Asia

The Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) District South Western Mindanao has earmarked close to P200 million for the construction of a 1.5-hectare Coast Guard Base at the seafront of the 1,000-hectare Zamboanga City Economic Zone and Development Authority in Barangay Talisayan. The first PCG Radar Station in the country is about to be built “to effectively address issues on security especially against pirates and Abu Sayyaf rebels from nearby Basilan and Sulu, properly implement Safety Security Environmental Numbering System, and strengthen Customs Security Patrol.”

Incidents: Nothing significant to report.

Indonesia’s maritime security agency hoped to become coast guard

Indonesian President Joko Widodo has appointed Vice-Admiral Aan Kurnia as the new chief of the Maritime Security Agency (Bakamla), replacing Achmad Taufiqqoerochman, who has retired. President Joko expected Bakamla to become an Indonesian coast guard rather than just a coordinator in efforts to secure the country’s maritime interests.

Mystery ‘ghost ship’ heightens fears Chinese nationals could have slipped into M’sia

Did an unknown number of Chinese nationals, fearing the novel coronavirus in their homeland, slip into Malaysia undetected via the shores of Labuan? Whatever the scenario, and with no records available, Malaysian authorities are scrambling to uncover the mystery behind the “ghost” ships, following the discovery of four large Chinese boats resembling trawlers about 650m from the Asian Supply Base Jetty on Saturday 15th.

Build trust to resolve South China Sea row: Ng Eng Hen

Countries should build trust and confidence and support diplomatic efforts to find solutions to the conflicting and overlapping claims in the South China Sea, Singapore Defence Minister Ng Eng Hen said on Friday 14th at a security conference in Munich, Germany. Speaking at the Maritime Security Roundtable, Dr Ng also stressed the importance of upholding the principles of freedom of navigation despite these claims, and proposed resource-sharing mechanisms to reduce the risk of conflict.

ADF reduces footprint in potential Philippines ‘caliphate’

The Australian Defence Force (ADF) has scaled back its presence in the Philippines. Operation Augury, a joint taskforce between the Australia and the Philippines, was launched in 2017 to help stop an Islamic State ‘caliphate’ rising on Australia’s doorstep. At its peak, the ADF had deployed two surveillance planes, two Navy patrol boats, a team of special forces and more than 100 ADF personnel to counter the spread of Islamic extremism.

Thailand welcomes cruise ship shunned in Vietnam over virus fears

German cruise ship AIDAvita has been welcomed in Thailand, days after it was blocked from docking in Vietnam due to fears of the COVID-19 coronavirus spreading across the region. Authorities in Vietnam’s Quang Ninh province, home to UNESCO world heritage site Ha Long Bay, barred passengers on the AIDAvita from disembarking on Thursday 13th, according to the Vietnam News Agency.

US, Philippines still expected to hold spring Balikatan drills

Joint military exercises with the United States will go on as planned ahead of the termination of a longstanding security pact between the two allied nations in six months’ time, Philippines National Defense Sec. Delfin Lorenzana said on Thursday 13th.

IMO issues guidance for shipping on Covid-19/Coronavirus

Following a number of incidents involving crew, the IMO has uploaded guidance on the virus to its website. For further information, please click here.

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Central and South America

Police in Costa Rica have made the biggest seizure of illegal drugs in the country’s history – finding more than five tonnes of cocaine in a shipping container. The drugs were hidden in a consignment of flowers headed for the Netherlands, AFP news agency quoted Interior Minister Michael Soto Rojas as saying. A suspect has been arrested. Central America is one of the main routes for cartels moving drugs from South America to the US and Europe, the BBC reported on Feb. 16th.

Incidents: Nothing significant to report.

Standing advice:
The repercussions of a vessel being caught acting as a mule with drugs stowed will depend on the type, amount and national laws, but may be disruptive and costly. When and if operating in these areas, especially Columbia and Peru, it is advised that:
• Potential stowage areas such as rudder shafts are denied as far as possible, and/or routinely searched.
• Access points are closely monitored by a vigilant watch for the duration of the vessel’s call at port.
Severe Weather Warnings

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South-West Indian Ocean