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# EU NAVFOR Somalia

Commander Snowy Lintern Royal Navy

# Counter Piracy in the Gulf of Aden

- Massive geographical area
- High density of traffic
  - Transiting
  - Fishing
  - Coastal
- Constraints on escorting
- Coordination of assets

# Specified Tasks

- Protect WFP
- Protect, on a case by case basis, selected humanitarian, European and participating state flagged and other vulnerable shipping
- Establish surveillance, in particular, in known piracy high risk areas

# Desired Effects

- Protect
- Insight
- Deter and Disrupt
- Leading to Reassurance

# **Maritime Community Engagement**

- **International Maritime Organisation**
- **International Maritime Bureau**
- **Maritime Trade Organisation Dubai**
- **World Food Programme**
- **NATO**
- **Coalition Maritime Forces Bahrain**
- **French Forces Djibouti**
- **Logistics Agencies, Mombassa & Dar Es Salaam**
- **Other regional states (Yemen, Oman, KSA)**

# Marine Industry Coordination

- IMO, International Maritime Bureau, UKMTO Dubai,, US MARLO, Industry
- 24/7 operation at Northwood
- Web-based
  - Commercial resources
  - Extensive IMO database
  - Secure
- Enduring

# Maritime Security Centre (Horn of Africa)



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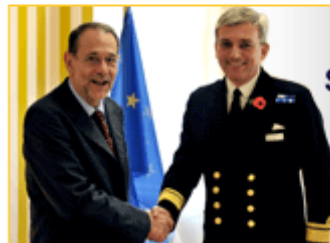
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## MARITIME Security Centre Horn of Africa

**Welcome! The Maritime Security Centre (Horn of Africa)** run by the **EU Naval Force (EU NAVFOR)** is a Coordination Centre tasked to safeguard merchant shipping operating in the region by preventing and deterring acts of piracy in the Gulf of Aden, off the Horn of Africa and in the Somali Basin. This site provides information and guidance for the shipping community. [Further information on the role of the MSC\(HOA\)](#)

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# Legal - What can be done

- **Immediate Actions**
  - Self-defence – Customary Law & Art 51 UN Charter
- **Deterrence**
  - Presence of warships
- **Disruption**
  - Boarding
  - Searching
  - Confiscation and destruction of equipment
- **National Hostage rescue**

# Prosecution

- **Draft agreement with 3<sup>rd</sup> States**
- **Prohibition on use of Death Penalty**
- **Role in evidence gathering**

# Current Engagement

- **WFP**
- **Over 1000 shipping companies**
- **Military Coalitions: CTF 151, CTF 150, NATO**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> States with military resources: such as China, Russia, Malaysia**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> States that may operate with the EU: such as Switzerland, Norway.**
- **Regional states that may be directly involved: such as KSA, Yemen, Djibouti, Kenya, Tanzania, Oman, UAE, Egypt.**

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