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EUNAVFOR ASPIDES Informational Message to the Shipping Industry

Days with no incident: 216

Last reported incident: 18 NOV 2024

Following latest developments in the region over the night of 21 to 22 June 2025, ASPIDES has decided to increase the current assessment for US affiliated vessels.

Now the assessment is **SEVERE** for vessels with **US** and **Israel** interests, transiting through Red Sea, Strait of Bab El Mandeb and Gulf of Aden. We recommend these vessels to avoid routes **entering** Yemen territorial waters.

The assessment is **LOW** for vessels with **no** link to US or Israel interests transiting through Red Sea, Strait of Bab El Mandeb and Gulf of Aden.

However, this does not exclude the possibility of all merchant vessels being targeted in the future.

ASPIDES is continuing to support the maritime community as a maritime security provider by offering Close Protection and Monitoring services to pass the Red Sea, Bab El Mandeb strait and Gulf of Aden area.

ASPIDES monitors continuously the evolution of the threat and its potential impact on maritime security. The operation remains committed to its defensive mission and offers free support in the area.

We further remind all vessel masters that the MSCIO remains available as a point of contact for any occurrences they may deem unusual. These information help to ensure the safety of seafarers and to safeguard the freedom of navigation with the continued support of Operation ASPIDES.

So, for the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden, please follow the EUNAVFOR ASPIDES Operation recommendations, available on the MSCIO webpage. ASPIDES' updates can be found at <https://mscio.eu> or by contacting directly at postmaster@mscio.eu where you can be benefited from ASPIDES' support before transiting the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden.

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