



**MIDDLE EAST NAVIGATION AIDS SERVICE
NAVTEX WARNING - MENAS BAHRAIN via BAHRAIN RADIO (A9M)**

NAVIGATION WARNING TO ALL GULF SHIPPING

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DATE: 13th October 2016

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TEXT OF WARNING

Red Sea and Gulf of Aden Region: U.S. Navy Forces Special Warning

- AA. All merchant vessels and maritime interests operating in the waters of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden are to be cognizant of the current status of terrorist operations in vicinity of Bab-el-Mandeb Strait.
- BB. Recommend vessels operating in restricted waters be especially vigilant and remain as far west and south of Yemen as practicable including using the Western Traffic Separation Scheme in the northern Bab-el-Mandeb Strait, maintaining best speed, and transit the Bab-el-Mandeb Strait during daylight hours.
- CC. Any unusual activities or hostile or potentially hostile action observed by mariners within this region should be reported to Coalition naval vessels using Channel 16, via e-mail at cusnc.bwc@me.navy.mil or by phone 011-973-1785-3879.
- DD. Additionally, communications required by the U.S. Coast Guard MARSEC 104-6 directive state that Masters should remain in contact with the United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) and the U.S. Naval Cooperation and Guidance of Shipping (NCAGS) at cusnc.ncags_bw@me.navy.mil to the maximum extent possible.
- EE. All U.S. flagged vessels approaching Coalition naval forces are advised to maintain radio contact on bridge-to-bridge channel 16. This notice is effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice.

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As part of our process of continual improvement of services to the maritime community, we are continually amending / updating our mailing lists. Please reply to this mail address should you require any additional email addresses added to the direct NAVTEX and/or Gulf Notices to Mariners circulation lists.

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