



DCoC Regional Workshop on Establishment of WG3 Mombasa 1-4 September 2025

Session 1: Recap of DCoC/JA and Resolution One

- Overview of the DCoC/JA
- Objectives of Resolution One (Dar es Salaam HLM)

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- Overview of the Djibouti Code of Conduct and the Jeddah Amendment
- Objectives of Resolution One (Dar es Salaam HLM)

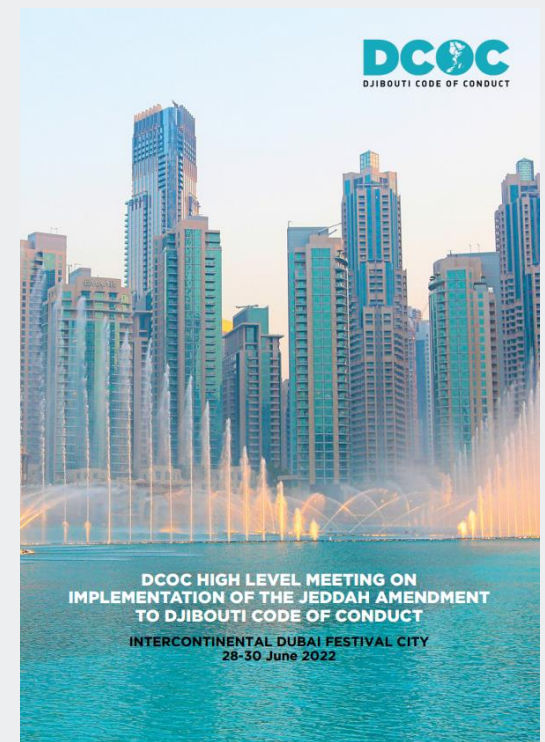
Why do this?

- Food security
- Secure energy supply
- Better facilitation → increased trade
- Increased prosperity → stability
- Reduction in trafficking of drugs, weapons, people
- Reduction in piracy
- Deterrence of maritime terrorism
- Reduction in illegal migration
- Improved safety of life at sea
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Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 28 - 30 June 2022

- Resolution #1 on The way forward for the DCoC **Information Sharing Network**
- Resolution #2 on The way forward for DCoC Capacity Building (the **Capacity Building Matrix**)
- Resolution #4 on Recognizing evolving nature of maritime challenges and establishing relationships to maximize regional and international support

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Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 22-24 November 2022

- Resolution #1 on Enhancement of the DCoC (JA) **Information Sharing Network**.
- Resolution #2 on Responding to evolving maritime challenges and security priorities of Signatory States to the Jeddah Amendment to the Djibouti Code of Conduct, 2017



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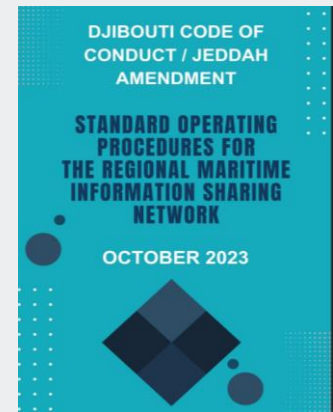
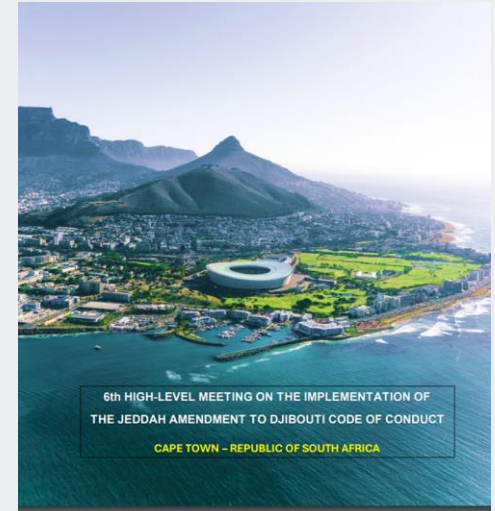
Cape Town, Republic of South Africa from 24 to 26 October 2023

- Resolution #1 on Operationalization of the DCoC/JA Information Sharing Network
- SOPs for ISCs
- Resolution #2 on Development of a DCoC Signatory States' **Maritime Security Strategy**
- Resolution #3 on Establishment of thematic sub-working groups for WG 2 on **capacity building coordination**

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Civil – Military cooperation

- 5th Sea Power for Africa Symposium 2024, Cape Town, 14 to 17 October 2024 on “Good Order at Sea in the African Maritime Domain”.
- declaration of intent from navies represented at the Symposium to work with the DCoC on coordination of operations at sea.

- Resolution #1 Called for the Establishment of **Working Group 3 (WG3)** on Operational Cooperation & Coordination at Sea
- Membership: **navies, coast guards, law enforcement, civilian authorities, Friends of DCoC**
- First meeting to:
 - **Elect Chair & Co-Chair**
 - **Develop TORs & Work Plan**



Working Group 3 on Operational cooperation and coordination at sea

Thematic priorities:

- Multinational Naval Operations – coalitions, joint task forces
- Search & Rescue – timely, coordinated responses
- Surveillance & Intelligence Sharing – VOI database, ISN network, INTERPOL links
- Environmental Protection – MARPOL exercises, pollution response, marine conservation
- Civil–Military & Humanitarian Cooperation
- Technology Integration – AIS, satellites, drones, interoperable platforms

WG 3 – Further considerations

Strengthen legal frameworks – enable prosecution, reduce “catch & release”

- **Leverage international naval platforms** – embark law enforcement officers

- **Targeted capacity building** – training aligned with DCoC Capacity Building Matrix

- **Enhance information sharing** – actionable intel between States & partners

- **Resource mobilization** – DCoC Trust Fund

WG 3 – Further considerations

The Road Ahead – Expectations from WG3

- Deliver practical outputs: CONOPS, TORs, roadmap, concrete operational mechanisms.
- Learn from existing models (South Africa, MASE/SSA).
- Align with other DCoC initiatives (ISN, Capacity Building Matrix, RMSS).
- Foster **inclusive cooperation** – bringing together navies, coast guards, NMISCs, and international partners.
- Ultimately: **Make the sea safer, trade freer, and societies more stable.**

Famous Harry S Truman Quote

“It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit.”



Questions?



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