

Proposals for Enhancement of the Djibouti Code of Conduct Information Sharing Network (DCoC/ISN)

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BACKGROUND

- Following the approval of the DCoC ISN in the HLM in Dubai on June 2022, and the other one held on November 2022 in Jeddah after the ISN Workshop which deliberated on the need to identify the joint DCoC doctrine to govern information sharing at national level, with DCoC partner Nations, Regional Centres and with international partners and have joint SOPs for information sharing, the SOPS workshop was scheduled in July-August 2023 in Jeddah.
- The last HLM agreed to have Signatory States use and refine the draft SOP (2019) with intent to endorse at the next HLM with a view of having them in common practice by close of 2023 and Focus be laid on information sharing at national level to achieve Regional cooperation

KEY COMPONENTS - ISN STRATEGY AND ROADMAP

Signatory States of the DCoC are committed to:

- Establish National Maritime Security Committee structure which oversees the work of the operationalised National Maritime Information Sharing Center (NMISC)
- Effectively utilises the information it provides in national maritime security decision making. National agencies cooperate in sharing information through NMISCs;
- Ensure Initial Operating Capabilities by March 2024
- Friends of the DCoC cooperate in sharing information, including through MOUs established with NMISCs and regional centres
- Analysis of incidents by regional centres distinguishes patterns in illicit maritime activities and supports disruption of maritime crime by guiding regional policy decision

SOPS WORKSHOP- KSA ON JULY- AUGUST 2023

HIGHLIGHT...

The SOPs has the format of a booklet with the structure of;

- Abbreviations,
- Executive Summary and background information,
- Mission, Vision and Core Values,
- Roles and functions of NMSCs and NMISCs,
- Duties and Responsibilities of the NMISCs personnel,
- Working Definitions and Categorisation of the Maritime Safety and Security Incidents
- The VOI Lexicon

SOPS WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHT...

- Data fusion procedure: OODA Loop Model,
- Thematic Analysis and Reporting Procedures,
- Daily Procedural SOPs and Battle Rhythms including RFI and Incident Reporting Forms,
- Contact details of all NMISCs and finally the acknowledgment section.

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[SOPs video](#)

MISW WORKSHOP- INDIA ON SEPTEMBER 2023

- Following the development of the SOPs in the Jeddah Workshop, another workshop on Maritime information sharing was held in India to fine tune the SOPs and the product at the HLM today has included the recommendations of the best practises learnt during the India Workshop. It is including the need to have a NMSC Coordinator who runs with implementation of the NMSC on a day-to-day basis to ensure implementation and sustainability of actions undertaken.
- Following the India Meeting, it was noted that, there is a need for having MOUs with the regional centres in the DCoC ISN to enhance inter- operability and modalities of information flow to meet the goal of enhancing MDA.

ASSUMPTIONS TO CONSIDER...

- NMISCs will domesticate the SOPs to suit their respective Centres.
- Internal advocacy necessary to convince governments of the value of prioritising maritime security and combating sea blindness; regionally governments will be at varying levels of buy-in
- Progress begets progress; even small victories are important pieces to the overall picture
- Not all information will need to be shared between partners and States

RECCOMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION...

- Agree to ensure Initial Operating Capabilities by March 2024 to have the SOPs be actualised and operationalized
- Endorse and approve the SOPs for use, noting that it is a living document and will be domesticated in Signatory States and improved as and when the need arises.
- Agree to consider having MOUs with the Regional Centre for an effective Information Sharing Modality within the DCOC framework.
- Partners are requested to provide an opportunity for testing of the SOPs through exercises for their effectiveness.

WORKING GROUP 2 – CAPACITY BUILDING

Emphasis on capacity building matrix in meeting gaps as highlighted in the ISN establishment and operationalization.

National Manning and Communications for National Maritime Information Sharing Centres (NMISCs)

ESSENTIAL SERVICES

3G/4G/
GSM

CENTRE
IT

PHONE/
MOBILE

DESIRABLE SERVICES

VHF
VOICE

SAT COM

COLLABORATIVE TOOL

IT SYSTEM

CORE MARITIME DEPARTMENTS

STAKEHOLDER DEPARTMENTS

3. SUPPORTING AGENCIES

IMMIGRATION

DEPT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

POLLUTION

DEPT OF TRANSPORT

GMDSS

1+2 CORE AGENCIES

VMS

DEPT OF FISH

SEA VISION

NAVY

LRIT

COASTGUARD HQ

AIS

MERCURY

NATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY CENTRE (TACTICAL)

IORIS

POLICE INFO SYS

MARITIME POLICE HQ

RADAR

WHITE SHIPPING

MARITIME/ PORT AUTHORITIES

NARCOTICS

CUSTOMS

JUSTICE DEPT

HEALTH DEPT

AVIATION

4. CONSULTED AGENCIES

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

TOURISM

CIVIL DEFENCE

NATL INT SERVICE

OTHER NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES – AS REQUIRED

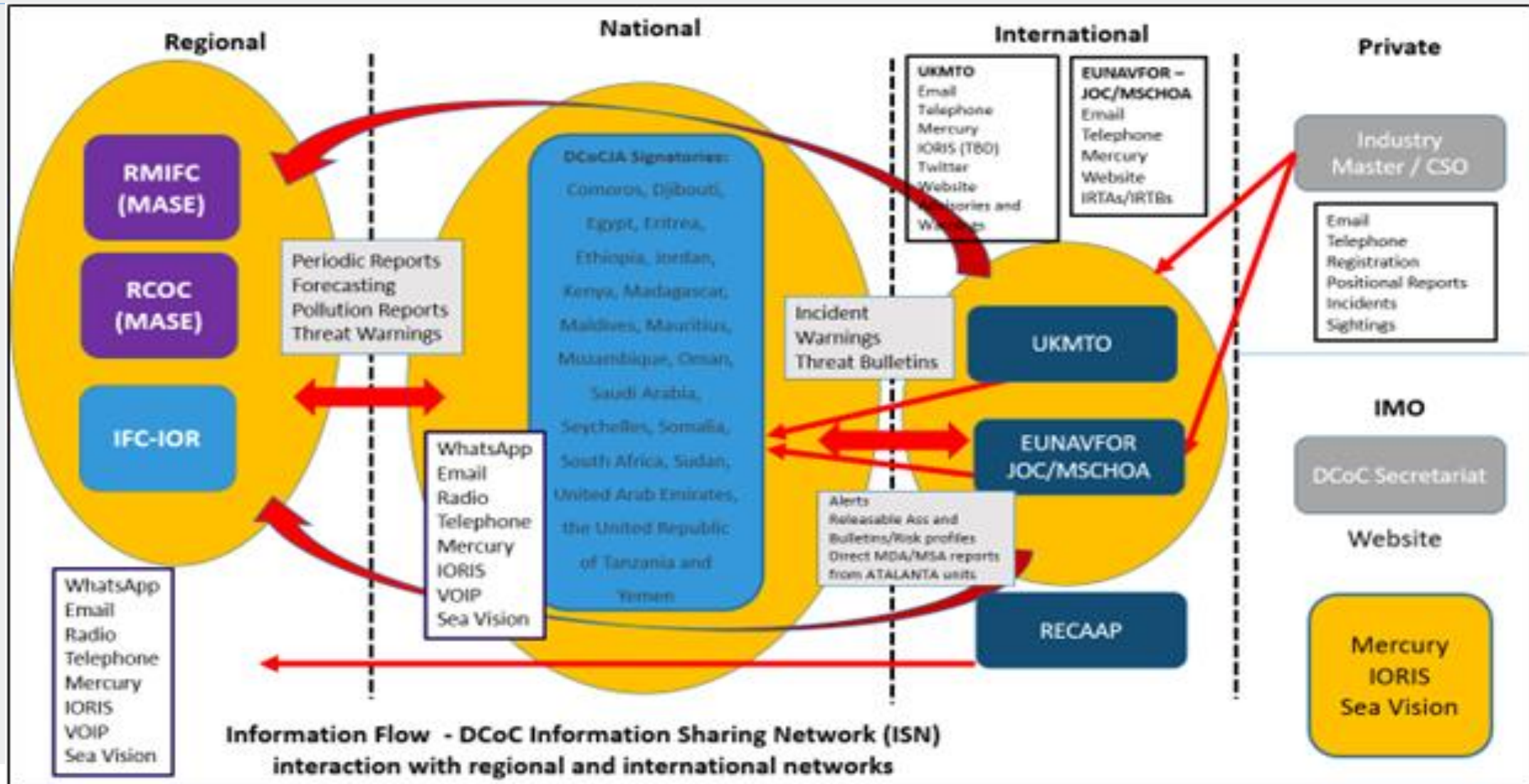
Identifying National Lead and Supporting Agencies Involved in Maritime Crimes

Challenge	Agency - Lead Agency and Supporting Agency																				
	Navy	Maritime Police	Intelligence Service	Fisheries Authority (Ports)	Immigration	Coast Guard (Safety)	Pollution	Terrorism	Transport	Maritime Admin (Ports)	Environment	Customs	Foreign Affairs	Justice	Fed Police	Labor	Agriculture	Tourism	Central Govt	Health	Civil Emergency
IUU Fishing	2	2	3	1	3	2	3			2	2	4	4	4		4		4		4	
Maritime Terrorism	2	1	2	4	4	2	4	1	4	4			2	4	4				2		2
Narcotics	2	1	2			1			4			2		2	3						
Human Trafficking/Smuggling	3	1	3	4	1	2				3			2	3		4				3	
Pollution/Environmental Damage/Dumping	2	2		3		1	1		4	3	1			4				3		4	
Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS)	2	2		3	3	1	3		3		3	4								3	

1	Lead Core Agency
2	Supporting Core Agency
3	Supporting Secondary Agency
4	Consulted Agency
	As Required Agency

*Strategic Communications is another important aspect to be considered and coordinated across agencies. Additionally, the group considered that public relations and crisis response aspects could be addressed by the lead agency or the host agency of the Information Sharing Centre.

DCOC INFORMATION SHARING NETWORK



THANK YOU!