

# Maritime Security

**Maritime stability removes criminal “creep” and opportunities for corruption ashore.**

## **Safety**

Search and Rescue ♦ Accidents at Sea  
Navies ♦ Coast Guard ♦ Port Authority

## **Security**

Terrorism ♦ Robbery ♦ Piracy ♦ Human  
Trafficking ♦ Illegal cargo  
Coast Guard ♦ Port Authority ♦ Maritime  
Police

## **Economic**

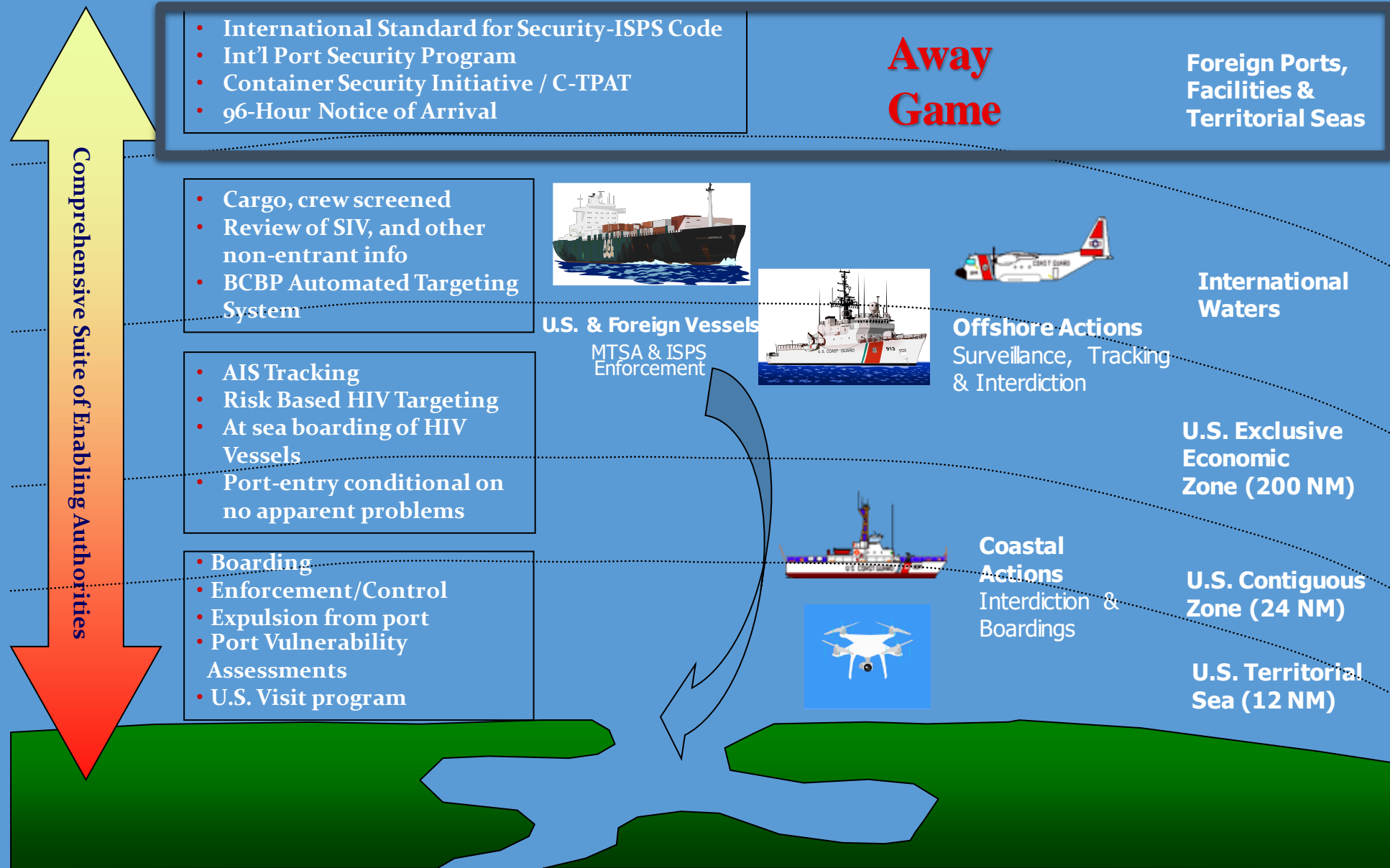
IUU fishing ♦ Oil Spills  
Customs ♦ Fisheries

## **Environment**

Oil Spill ♦ Illegal Dumping  
Environmental Agencies



# Layered Security & Maritime Domain Awareness



# Shiprider Overview

- A Shiprider Agreement is specifically targeted at maritime law enforcement between partner nations.
- These agreements strengthen cooperative law enforcement activities between countries for:
  - Detecting
  - Identifying
  - Combating
  - Preventing
  - Interdicting



# Information Sharing for Operations

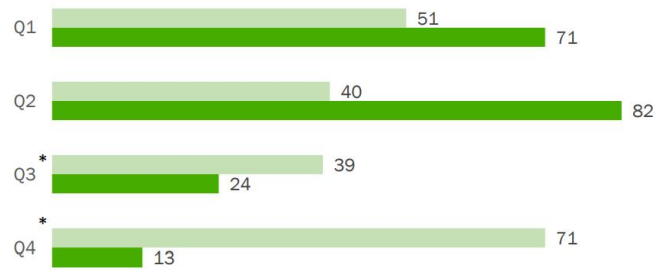
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## East Africa: Density of Suspected Illegal Fishing Activity January 2022 – October 2023

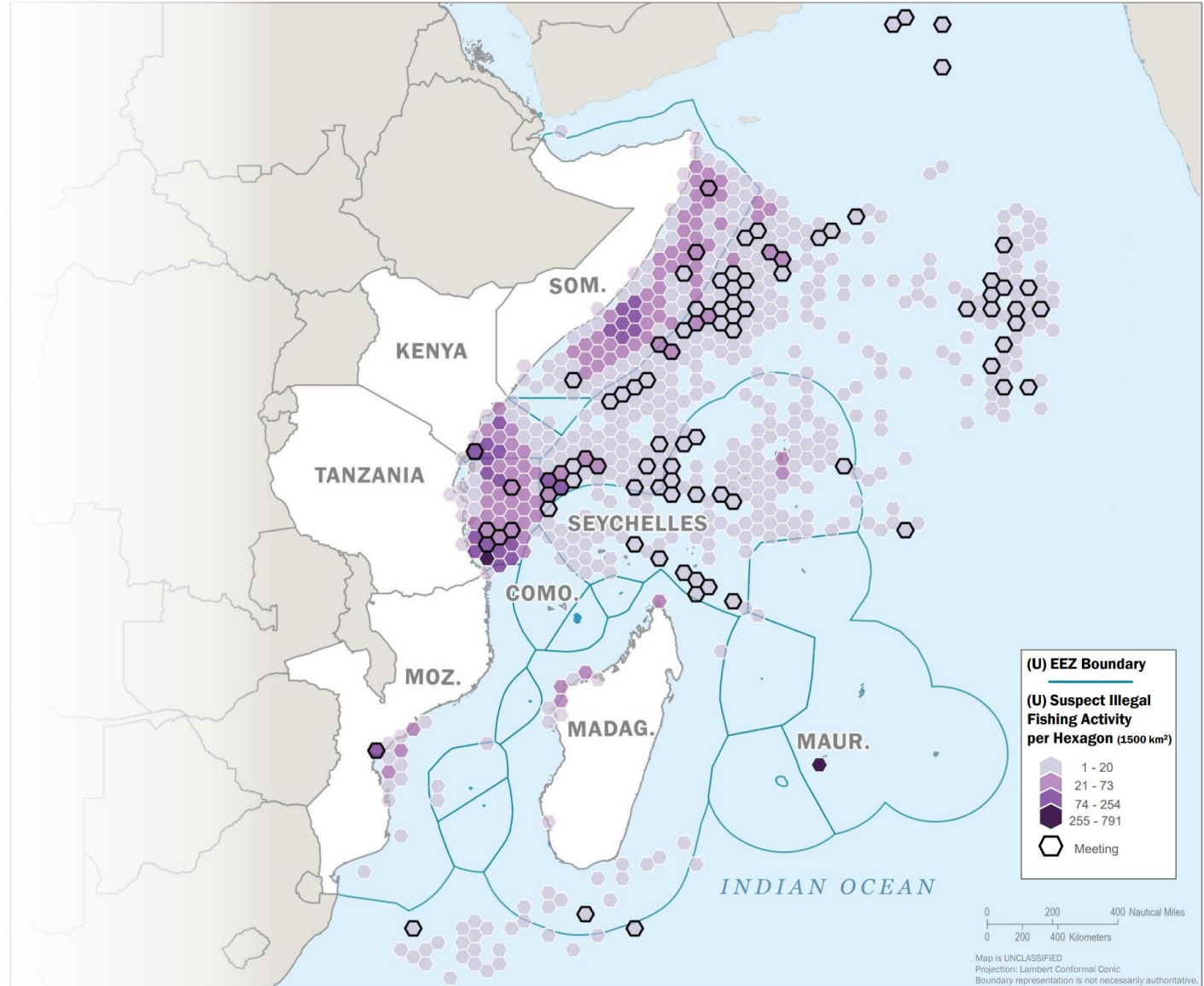
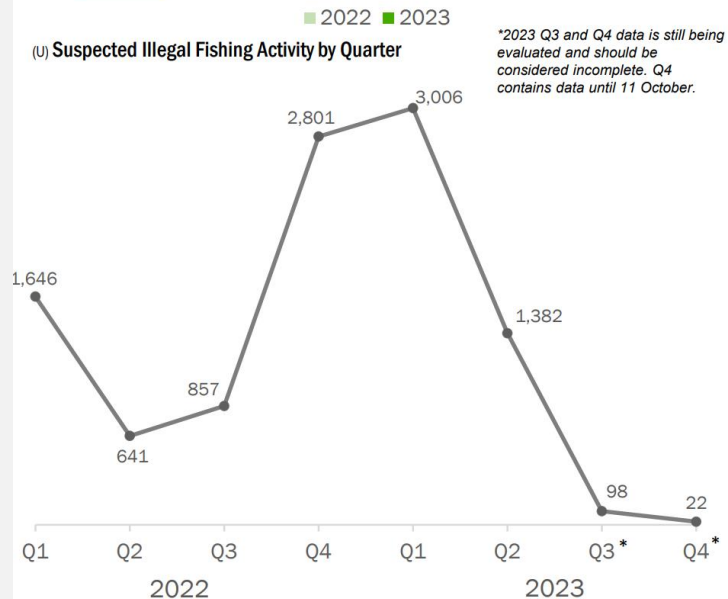
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- (U) Suspected illegal fishing activity is present throughout the focus countries in East Africa. Activity types include: low speed fishing, dark activity, meetings, and port calls.
- (U) Increase in the number of vessels operating in East Africa with links to illegal fishing from 2022 to 2023.
- (U) Peak fishing activity in Quarter 1 and Quarter 4, decrease in Quarter 2 and Quarter 3 likely corresponding with the fishing seasons.

### (U) Vessels Operating in East Africa with Links to Illegal Fishing Activity



### (U) Suspected Illegal Fishing Activity by Quarter



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## East Africa: Density of Suspected Illegal Fishing Activity Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 Comparison: January – June 2023

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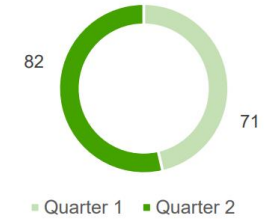
(U) *Suspected Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Activity decreased from Quarter 1 to Quarter 2 in the East Africa region likely corresponding with the fishing seasons.*

- (U) Suspected illegal fishing activity is present throughout the focus countries in East Africa. Activity types include: low speed fishing, dark activity, meetings, and port calls.
- (U) Suspected illegal fishing activity shifted geographically from south to north within the region of East Africa.
- (U) Meetings among vessels are concentrated near exclusive economic zone (EEZ) boundaries possibly indicating the use of support vessels to avoid port calls.
- (U) Although suspected illegal fishing activity decreased from Q1 to Q2, the number of vessels operating increased during this timeframe.

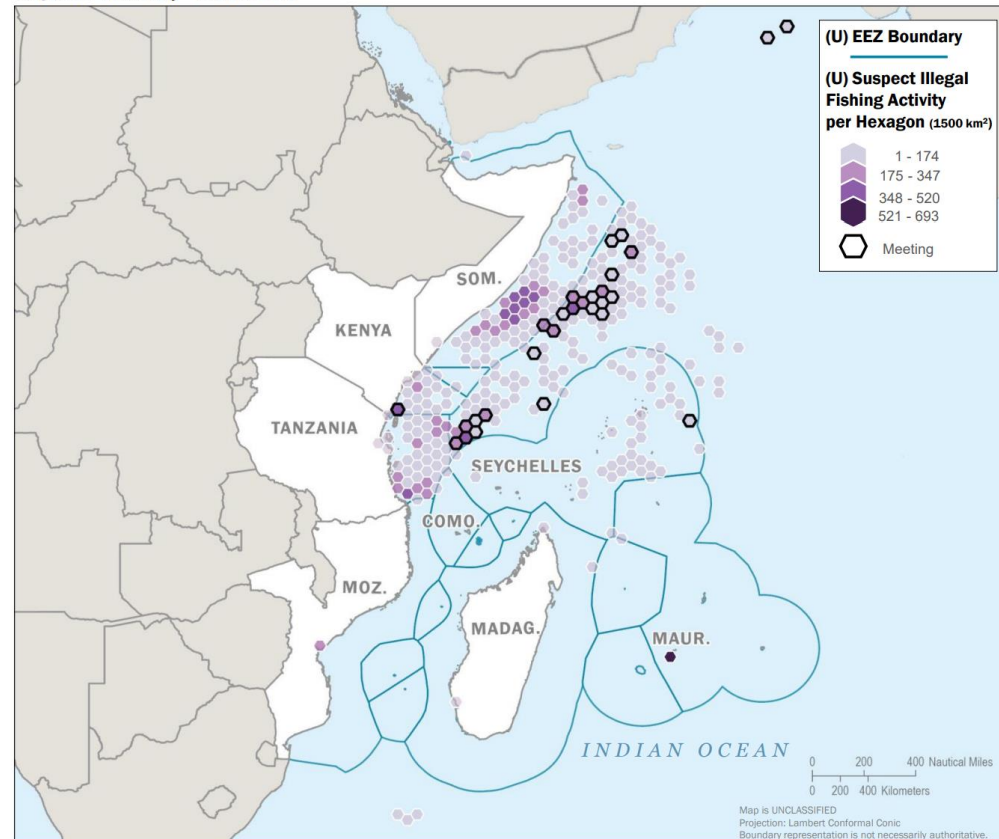
(U) Support Vessel Types for 2023 Q1 and Q2



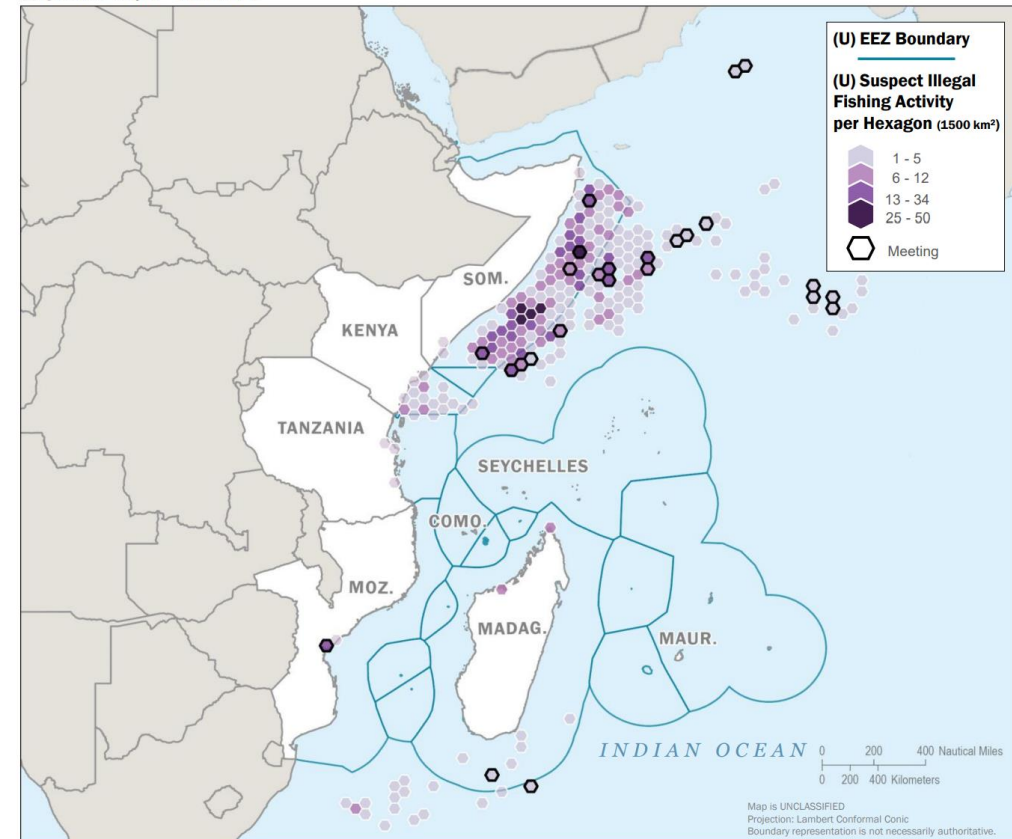
(U) Fishing Vessels Operating



(U) Quarter 1: January – March 2023



(U) Quarter 2: April – June 2023



# Info-Sharing and Partnership Success

## Seychelles – US Bilateral Operation

### • OPERATIONAL INSIGHTS

- Participants: Seychelles Defense Force, Seychelles Coast Guard, Seychelles Ministry of Fisheries, Seychelles Police, TACLET Pacific-LEDET 103.
- TOI's: (3) MLE boarding, and (3) queried. 7-day patrol
- Boarding of F/V FISH FINDER (SEY flagged) under assistance / cooperations the SEY Defense Force under the Bilat yielded multiple violations.
  - No VMS/AIS.
  - No radio.
  - 19 bags of cleaned, salted dolphin carcasses. weighing 472.45kg (1,042lbs).
- (6) Sri Lankan nationals onboard were detained by police.
- Registered owner of the vessel was SEY nationality.

