Record of the Meeting

1. The International Maritime Organization (hereinafter referred to as "IMO"), pursuant to the request of Signatory States to the Code of Conduct concerning the repression of piracy and armed robbery against ships in the western Indian Ocean and the Gulf of Aden (the Djibouti Code of Conduct), the Signatory States to the Jeddah Amendment to the Djibouti Code of Conduct, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as "the Jeddah Amendment"), and States eligible to sign these instruments (hereinafter referred to collectively as “Participants”), convened a meeting of the DCoC Working Group 2 (WG2) on Capacity Building Coordination of the Jeddah Amendment to the Djibouti Code of Conduct (DCoC(JA)) 2017, was held virtually, via ZOOM, on Wednesday 10 November 2021.

2. The meeting was chaired by Captain Getinet Abay (Chair WG2). He began by welcoming the participants present and gave an opportunity for everyone to introduce themselves. The following attended the meeting:

   COMOROS       DJIBOUTI       ETHIOPIA       KENYA
   MOZAMBIQUE   OMAN          SAUDI ARABIA
   SEYCHELLES   SOMALIA        SOUTH AFRICA  TANZANIA  YEMEN

And representatives from IMO as the Secretariat. The full list of participants is enclosed as Annex A.

Objective

3. The aim of the meeting was to have WG 2 members deliberate on the progress of the capacity building initiatives including: Training Needs Assessment and Integrated Work Plan (DCoC Joint Training Program); Enhancing the security of ports, ships, and coastal installations through effective implementation of the ISPS Code; Capacity
Building Coordination Matrix; DCoC Trust Fund – Resources Mobilization; and Friends of DCoC joint training plan.

Opening Remarks

4. Mr. Andrew Clarke (Senior Professional Officer, IMO) in his opening remarks commended the efforts of WG2 for their commitment and reiterated the support of IMO in working with the DCoC/JA Signatory States. WG 2 members were encouraged to openly state their needs, priorities, and gaps in the development of the capacity coordination matrix as this is what will be used by the Secretariat in the Friends of the DCoC forum for requests for Technical Assistance. The opening remarks are enclosed as Annex B.

Agenda

5. The meeting adopted the agenda that had been circulated prior to the meeting. The agenda is enclosed as Annex C.

Progress of Capacity Building Coordination Initiatives
Training Needs Assessment and Integrated Work Plan (DCoC Joint Training Program)

6. Captain Getinet (Ethiopia and Chair WG2) noted that one of the greatest achievements of the DCoC has been to enable an exchange of ideas and best practice through regional training. Having a common training programme under the DCoC ensures that no country is left behind, promotes interoperability, and creates a network of regional practitioners.

7. He noted that unfortunately, as the DCoC trust fund has dwindled, there are now very few regional courses and there is a need to find a way that encourages more funding into the trust fund to enable joint training.

8. DCoC National Training Coordinators (NTCs) were established to support NFPs in coordinating matters relating to regional training, including collating of training needs at national level. He reminded the WG 2 Members that the NTC forum used to meet every year to discuss the annual training programme for the DCoC which unfortunately, owing to funds limitations, had ceased to meet. It was noted that to promote regional training through better coordination of efforts, it is important that the NTC forum be strengthened to play this important role of training coordination. Furthermore, NTCs will
have an important task of supporting NFPs in populating the capacity building coordination matrix once launched.

9. He therefore called on those NFPs that have not updated the contact details of NTCs to do so as soon as possible and to provide support for the ongoing development of the DCoC capacity building coordination matrix. It is a most welcome initiative of this working group which, with the support of the Secretariat, will play a key role in providing a mechanism for coordination of training efforts, having taken into consideration the regional context, needs, sustainability and effective transfer of skills and knowledge.

10. He noted that once the matrix has been developed, the NFPs/NTCs will be called upon to update the matrix as a way of identifying and prioritizing regional training needs after which a meeting of NTCs will be scheduled to develop the joint DCoC training plan for the following year. It is hoped that by then DCoC will have identified good partnerships through the Friends of DCoC for provision of technical assistance. The presentation is enclosed as Annex D.

Enhancing the security of ports, ships, and coastal installations through effective implementation of the ISPS Code

11. Mr. Kiruja Micheni (IMO) noted that previously there was a plan to deliver ISPS Code training under the DCoC Project IMO in coordination with DRTC. However, because of IT bandwidth challenges faced during the pilot course, the plan of conducting the training virtually was shelved. Instead, arrangements have been made for the training to be implemented under the EU funded Port Security and safety of navigation project, and the Regional Programme for Maritime Security in the Red Sea Area.

12. 15 out of the 20 DCoC signatory countries are beneficiaries of the 2 projects. Mrs. Stella Aber (IMO) and Mrs. Mara Luciano (IMO) provided more details of the projects.

13. IMO will make alternative arrangements to conduct national workshops for the 5 countries that are not beneficiary to the projects. South Africa has already been approached with the intention being to reach out to the other four countries.

14. Mrs. Mara Luciano highlighted the key areas on the Red Sea Programme including the countries it covers, the work plan and progress so far in implementation.
15. Mrs. Stella Aber also highlighted the key areas on the Port Security Project, including the countries it covers, the work plan and progress so far in implementation. The presentations on the PS project and RS programme are enclosed as Annex E.

**Capacity Building Coordination Matrix**

16. Ms. Esther Kung’u (IMO) began by asking members to recall that during the inaugural meeting of this working group held virtually on 30th June 2021, and the third Steering Committee meeting held on 8th September 2021, it was agreed that capacity building initiatives be driven by regional needs and priorities. To achieve this, it was suggested to develop a tool – the Capacity Building Coordination Matrix, for identifying needs and priorities of respective Signatory States, before capacity building solutions are effected by implementing partners, particularly in the areas of training, programmes to enhance Maritime Domain Awareness and implementation of article 3 of the JA – which cover measures at national level.

17. In the SC meeting, it was suggested that the identified capacity building needs by Signatory States needed to be submitted through the Secretariat, and WG2, in collaboration with the Secretariat, could assess the needs and prepare a workable capacity building program for the region as a whole and provide priority levels for individual training activities.

18. The matrix would not only highlight areas needing capacity development assistance but also prioritize those areas of capacity development the region would like to see delivered first, and in a coordinated way, so that all DCoC Signatory States have an opportunity to take advantage of this assistance. It is with this matrix that this working group will approach the Friends of the DCoC to identify which of its members are best placed to provide technical assistance in the different capacity development areas across the region.

19. It was reported that the Secretariat has revised the existing needs assessment matrix template with a revised version containing elements such as Maritime Security Governance, Maritime Cybersecurity, Enhancement of Port Security and Maritime Law Enforcement and their particulars. Priority levels have been included and classified as either high, medium, or low and will be selected depending on the individual country’s progress levels vis-a-vis the expected outcome.

20. All DCoC NFPs will have access to populate the template within a given period and the matrix will be hosted on a Members Only section to be developed within the DCoC website. Access to the Members Only section will be limited to 35 persons including NFPs and NTCs as this platform is set to host other sensitive content that will only be accessible to members only.
21. The Secretariat has already engaged a service provider, “After Six Creatives Limited”, to create a data visualization of the information collated on the matrix and the development of the Members Only section on the website. The contract is in its final stages of approval and the service provider has been thoroughly briefed. This work is projected to finalize by end of this year and launched by the start of 2022. The Presentation is enclosed as Annex F.

DCoC Trust Fund – Resources Mobilization

22. Mr. Mohammed Almajashi (Yemen) noted that Signatory States have shown commitment to the DCoC/JA and the project has been sustainable so far. He noted that DCoC has linked 21 Signatory States within the Region and has made Maritime Security easier having been in place for 10 years.

23. He noted that DCoC has made significant achievements as follows:

- National Focal Points;
- Information sharing Network;
- Enhanced civil-military cooperation among stakeholders;
- Increased Maritime Domain Awareness;
- Trainings and capacity building of over 1630 students thereby enhancing work of the Maritime Administrations; and

24. He noted that all achievements would not have been possible without the DCoC Trust Fund and he thanked the donors who have contributed so far. He noted that the funds are now dwindling in the DRTC Trust Fund and called on IMO and Signatory States to find a way to mobilize resources for the Project.

25. He recommended the following:
- IMO to spearhead the role of resource mobilization with the Friends of DCoC and the International Partners;
- Requests for Signatory States to host workshops and trainings;
- Leveraging on the input of the Friends of DCoC – strengthening relations between WG2 and Friends of DCoC; and
- Annual Voluntary Contributions to the DCoC Trust Fund by Signatory States to ensure sustainability of important maritime security capacity development in the region.
Friends of DCoC

26. Captain Mario Guilherme (Mozambique) began by recalling the last High-Level meeting in Jeddah, 2019, where a comprehensive NFPs Feedback Template highlighting each member States priorities and need for technical assistance and donor support was submitted by each of the NFPs. He recalled further that, the Participants welcomed the capacity building work of international organizations, supporting Governments and non-governmental organizations and invited those interested and committed to offer their assistance.

27. He highlighted to the WG 2 members that the Participants at the High-Level Meeting in Jeddah 2019 considered a proposal to establish a Friends of the DCoC mechanism to assist with capacity and capability building and avoid duplication of efforts. The Participants concluded that such a mechanism should comprise a list of subject matter experts and assistance providers on whom signatory States’ NFPs can call for support in a wide range of areas.

28. He also recalled the Donor Forum held in Mombasa, Kenya, from the 13th – 14th November 2019, whereby it was agreed that there is an inherent need for coordination amongst donors in order to avoid duplication, particularly with respect to capacity building. It was further agreed that the Friends of DCoC shall provide an opportunity for interested member States to hear from relevant experts, partners and advocates about the various components and implications of maritime security, including strengthening monitoring, accountability, and implementation.

29. He reminded WG 2 that the Working Group was established to spearhead work on capacity building coordination and is the forum that will work most closely with the Friends of DCoC, with the Terms of Reference* having been unanimously approved in November 2020, following a series of deliberations by the signatory States.

30. Additionally, and of great importance, he called the WG 2 Members to further recall, that the 22nd plenary of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS) held in Mauritius on 20 June 2019, resolved that the work of the Regional Capacity Building Coordination Working Group (RCBWG), be left to the DCoC mechanism, with a view to enhance efficiency and to avoid duplication of effort. This puts us in a good position to drive the regional capacity building agenda to ensure that it is aligned with regional needs and priorities. Through this working group, it is envisioned that the Friends of DCoC will make it easier for donors and implementing agencies to informally discuss programmes and priorities and give the best service by way of technical assistance to DCoC member States based on the regional priorities and needs.
31. He notified the WG 2 Members that on 11 November 2021, the Chairs and Co-Chairs of WG 1 and WG 2 shall be informally engaging the Friends of DCoC for the first time since the Terms of Reference were approved. He noted that once the capacity building matrix has been completed and Signatory States had input their respective data, then the DCoC/JA shall formally engage them by way of the inaugural meeting of the Friends to be scheduled for early next year. The presentation is enclosed as Annex G.

Open Discussion

32. Captain Joachim Valmont (Seychelles) inquired if the Capacity building Coordination Matrix will be shared with Signatory States before being made available on the website and to Friends of DCoC. He noted that the reason he is asking this is because Signatory States also have capacity building partners who can offer assistance within the DCoC/JA Region.

33. Mr. Kiruja Micheni (IMO) clarified that the capacity building matrix is just an upgrade of the former National Feedback Sheet where the NFPs get the template and populate the same based on a Signatory State’s priorities, gaps and needs. The Signatory States will be involved at every stage so that they can give their points of view and inputs before the final document is made available on the website and to Friends of DCoC.

34. Mr. Andrew Clarke (IMO) noted that the capacity building matrix is to capture the requirements, WG2 will then look at the needs across the region and prioritise the needs (based on needs which most Signatory States have identified as a priority in the first instance) and identify donor/s to provide technical assistance either through the Friends of the DCoC or through implementing partners who can assist the region.

35. Mr. Yonis Adan (Somalia) requested that WG 2 should expedite the Capacity Building Coordination Matrix as it is an essential tool for capacity building coordination.

36. Ms. Joyce Awino (Kenya) noted that from a Working Group 1 perspective, the issue of capacity building is important. WG1 through the Secretariat has just finalized developing a strategy and roadmap for the enhancement of the DCoC ISN and it is envisaged that through the initiatives of WG2, the capacity for member states in handling maritime crimes and information sharing will be boosted. It is therefore through the capacity building coordination matrix as highlighted by the Chair of WG2 that resource identifications for each member state will be determined and partners found to enhance this capacity. She trusted that all DCoC Member States will find value
in this and fast track compilation of the same for real progress to be made within the Region for combating maritime crimes.

37. She further noted that it is a fact that the DCoC Trust fund is dwindling as highlighted by Mr. Mohamed Almajashi (Yemen) and proposals for voluntary contributions from member states will indeed boost the kitty and ensure that the work of the DCoC in building capacity for the Region for combating maritime crimes continues. Kenya noted that they support the proposal and when the position is taken by DCoC member states, Kenya shall take the same to decision makers for consideration.

39. Mr. Albano Gove (Mozambique) noted that there is need to establish a deadline by which all Signatory States will have finalized their entries in the Capacity Building Coordination Matrix.

**Summary of Discussion and Way Forward**

40. Having heard the presentations from WG 2 Speakers, the meeting noted with appreciation the observations and recommendations and adopted the summary of discussion and way forward as follows:

- NFPs to update their NTCs List and send the same to the Secretariat;
- NFPs to complete and update the details of the DCoC capacity building coordination matrix. This will be an excellent tool to identify regional training needs and to establish what the Friends of DCoC and other donors can provide by way of technical support to address these needs;
- NFPs whose countries are beneficiaries of the Port Security (PS) and Red Sea (RS) Project and Programme to leverage capacity building opportunities provided under these initiatives which include amongst others: Implementation of ISPS Code; Legal Review of National Legislation; and National Maritime Security Committees;
- IMO to reach out bilaterally to the Signatory States that are not beneficiaries of the PS and RS Project and Programme and consider National ISPS Code training to ensure that no country is left behind in the WG 2 recommendation of enhancing the security of ports, ships, and coastal installations through effective implementation of the ISPS Code;
- Once the Capacity Building matrix is finalized by the NFPs then WG 2 to meet and prioritize the regional needs and link the same to potential donors;
❖ NFPs requested Secretariat technical assistance to develop a joint DCoC training plan for 2022;

❖ KSA to host a training on 14 - 24 February 2022 on combating emerging new threats to maritime security;

❖ NFPs to encourage their governments to make voluntary contributions to the DCoC Trust Fund to ensure sustainability of important maritime security capacity development to the region;

❖ NFPs requested the Secretariat, on behalf of the DCoC, to liaise with the Friends of DCoC/JA and find Friends of DCoC who are willing to provide technical assistance based on the Capacity Building Coordination Matrix that will be provided and that any funds should be channelled through the DCoC Trust Fund;

❖ NFPs were encouraged to host trainings and workshops in their countries; and

❖ NFPs consented for WG 1 and WG 2 Chairs and Co-Chairs to represent them in the Friends of DCoC -JA meeting to be held on 11 November 2021 and to report back to SC and NFPs on the way forward.

Vote of thanks

41. The Chair WG 2 concluded the meeting by thanking every member for attending and wished them good health until the next meeting. The Closing remarks are enclosed as Annex H.

42. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 16:20 hours EAT.

Annexes:

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Annex B- IMO OPENING REMARKS

IMO OPENING REMARKS

DCOC(JA) WORKING GROUP 2 VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON 10TH NOVEMBER
2021 AT 14:00 HRS EAT

Chair,

National Focal Points,

Members of Working Group 2,

Distinguished participants,

Ladies and Gentlemen.

On behalf of the IMO, thank you for making yourselves available for this second meeting of Working Group 2 since we last met on 30th June 2021. Your commitment to the work of Working Group 2 is immeasurable and will go a long way in ensuring the effective implementation of the Jeddah Amendment to enhance maritime security, as an enabler for the sustainable development of the maritime sector.

This Working Group does not have an easy task ahead, but it is a beacon within the region whose success we very much hope will be replicated in other regions. Having this in mind, as IMO, we fully support the DCoC Signatory States desire to have a concerted approach in dealing with the multitude of maritime security risks which we face in the modern maritime environment, which are becoming dynamic, interconnected and more complex. Coordination of the regional effort is critical and requires having close linkages between the work of the two DCoC Working Groups, the full effort of regional governments and the important input of the Friends of the DCoC (FoDCoC). Only by working closely together at pace and with renewed determination can we address the important regional challenges ahead.

We further support the DCoC Signatory States recommendations that the strategy for implementing the DCoC-JA must be driven by regional needs and priorities. There needs to be a concerted focus on identifying capacity building needs, securing funds for the programme, attracting partners and channelling efforts to avoid duplication and a
waste of valuable resources. It is with this in mind that this Working Group clearly identified the need to develop a regional capacity building coordination matrix, which I am pleased to note, as you will hear shortly, is being taken forward at pace. Once completed, it will create the vital link between regional needs and priorities and the efforts of our development partners or the FoDCoC. As IMO, we remain fully committed to providing technical assistance to the DCoC Signatory States and therefore encourage you to reach out to us to discuss how best we can support you as we move purposefully together towards the realisation of the goals of the DCoC/JA.

In conclusion, we hope that with your support, we can work together in ensuring that Working Group 2 achieves what it is mandated to do - the coordination of regional capacity building efforts, their prioritisation and the identification of the right partners to assist where needed, to achieve a safer and secure maritime environment, long term stability and sustainability.

Together we now have a clear vision of the way forward, I wish you a great meeting ahead and successful outcomes.
Annex C- AGENDA

Agenda - DCoC (JA) WORKING GROUP 2 MEETING

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Progress of Capacity Building Coordination Initiatives
DCoC/JA Training Coordination – Development of Joint DCoC Training Programme

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- Regional training.
  - ensures Going together,
  - promotes interoperability and
  - Capacity building of regional practitioners and networking them

- The DCoC trust fund
  - Dwindling
  - more funding required
DCoC National Training Correspondents (NTCs) - Update and Progress so far...

• Established earlier.
  • Collating training needs
  • Used to meet annually,
  • this forum ceased to meet.

• NTCs Re-establishment
  • is necessary and
  • NTCs shall support NFPs in preparation the capacity building coordination matrix

THE WAY FORWARD

• NFPs to update the contact details of NTCs ASAP
• DCoC capacity building coordination matrix, will be prepared,
• Once the matrix has been populated, NFPs/NTC to update the matrix as a way of identifying regional training needs.
• We will have the joint DCoC training plan for the following year.
Annex E- PRESENTATION BY IMO ON THE PORT SECURITY AND RED SEA PROJECTS

International Maritime Organization Regional Programme for Maritime Security in the Red Sea Area
Red Sea Project – Objectives

Support to the domestication of international maritime legislation

Support to the implementation of the ISPS Code and related compliance framework

Development and support of Port Security Management in the ports of beneficiary countries

Formulation of Port Security Control and Compliance and Port State Control Measures, and support in their implementation
Red Sea Project - Status Update

6 Month Inception Phase
February 2021
3 Year 9 Month Project
February 2024

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Eritrea
Ethiopia
Somalia
Sudan
Yemen
Red Sea Project - Inception Phase

A five-stage methodological approach to the Inception Phase of the project was adopted as follows:

**Stage 1** - Informing the beneficiary countries about the project and planned IMO engagement

**Stage 2** - Review of background technical documents

- IMO Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) database,
- Indian Ocean MoU on PSC database; and
- UNCTED reports
Red Sea Project - Inception Phase

Stage 4 – Virtual Technical Assessments (June-July 2021)

Two questionnaires were used for the technical assessment based on:

- SOLAS Chapter XI-2 and the ISPS Code;
- SOLAS Chapter V on Safety of Navigation;
- Port State Control;
- Transportation of dangerous goods & IMDG Code;
- Port reception facilities;
- Search and Rescue arrangement; and
- FAL Convention (sharing of pre-arrival data).

Stage 5 - Field Missions - In-person briefing, and assessment will be undertaken prior to, or alongside, the delivery of the first in-country capacity development activity.
Annex F- PRESENTATION BY IMO ON CAPACITY BUILDING COORDINATION MATRIX

Progress of Capacity Building Coordination Initiatives: Capacity Building Coordination Matrix

Presented by Esther Kung’u Njonde
10th November 2021

Salutations

Chair of Working Group Two and Director of Ethiopian Maritime Affairs Authority, Captain Getinet Abay,

Distinguished National Focal Points and Members of Working Group Two,

IMO representatives present,

Ladies and gentlemen,

Mine will be a brief progress report on the development of the Capacity Building Coordination Matrix followed by a promotional piece that will be aired in this meeting and the Friends of the Djibouti Code of Conduct /Jeddah Amendment meeting scheduled for tomorrow, 11th November 2021.

Members can recall that during the inaugural meeting of this working group held virtually on 30th June 2021 and the third Steering Committee meeting held on 8th September 2021, it was agreed that capacity building initiatives be driven by regional needs and priorities. To achieve this, it was suggested to develop a tool for identifying needs and priorities of respective Signatory States, before capacity building solutions are effected by implementing partners, particularly in the areas of training, programmes to enhance Maritime Domain Awareness and implementation of article 3 of the JA – which cover measures at national level.

As stated in the WG 2 meeting, DCoCJA was urged to use the already developed common Needs Assessment Matrix to capture and map the status of implementation of provisions which currently capture Article 3 of the Jeddah Amendment. From the meeting, the matrix could then be developed further to capture key provisions for the enhancement of Maritime Security as captured in the JA therein providing an overall picture of what needs to be done.

In the SC meeting, it was suggested that the identified capacity building needs by Signatory States needed to be submitted through the IMO Secretariat, and WG2 in collaboration with the IMO could assess the needs and prepare a workable capacity building program for the region as a whole and provide priority levels for individual countries.

The matrix would not only highlight areas needing capacity development assistance but also prioritize those areas of capacity development the region would like to see delivered first,
and in a coordinated way, so that all DCoC Signatory States have an opportunity to take advantage of this assistance.

It is with this matrix that this working group, will approach the Friends of the DCoC to identify which of its members are best placed to provide technical assistance in the different capacity development areas, across the region.

From this context, I am happy to report that the IMO Secretariat has revised the existing needs assessment matrix template with a revised version containing elements such as Maritime Security Governance, Maritime Cybersecurity, Enhancement of Port Security and Maritime Law Enforcement and their particulars. Priority levels have been included and classified as either high, medium, or low and will be selected depending on the individual country’s progress levels vis-a-vis the expected outcome.

NFPs of highlighted DCoC States will have access to populate the template within a given grace period and this record will be mapped out in a data visualization that will be hosted on a Members Only section to be developed within the DCoC website. Access to the Members Only segment will be limited to 35 focal points as this platform is set to host other sensitive content that will not be aired for the public but will be accessible for members only.

The Secretariat has already engaged a service provider, the After Six Creatives Limited, to create a data visualization of the information collated on the matrix and the development of the Members Only section on the website. I can report that the service request for this work, is in its final stages of approval and the service provider has been thoroughly briefed. This work is projected to finalize by end of this year and launched by the start of 2022.

In conclusion, I invite you ladies and gentlemen to watch a brief promotional piece of this progress update as shown in the following motion picture

(Play video)

Thank you for your time and attention, I now hand this over to the Chair.
Annex G- PRESENTATION BY MOZAMBIQUE

KEY TALKING POINTS FOR THE CO-CHAIR OF WORKING GROUP 2
10 November 2021

AGENDA ITEM 2 - PROGRESS OF CAPACITY BUILDING COORDINATION ACTIVITIES VIS-À-VIS THE FRIENDS OF DCOC

• Members, recalling the last High-Level meeting in Jeddah, 2019, where a comprehensive National Focal Points Feedback Template highlighting each member States priorities and need for technical assistance and donor support was submitted by each of the NFPs.

• Recalling further that, the Participants welcomed the capacity building work of international organizations, supporting Governments and non-governmental organizations and invited those interested and committed to offer their assistance.

• The Participants considered a proposal to establish a Friends of the Djibouti Code of Conduct mechanism to assist with capacity and capability building and avoid duplication of efforts. The Participants concluded that such a mechanism should comprise a list of subject matter experts and assistance providers on whom signatory States’ national focal points can call for support in a wide range of areas.

• Further recalling the Donor Forum held in Mombasa, Kenya, from the 13th - 14th of November 2019, whereby it was agreed that there is an inherent need for coordination amongst donors in order to avoid duplication, particularly with respect to capacity building.

• It was further agreed that the Friends of DCoC shall provide an opportunity for interested member States to hear from relevant experts, partners and advocates about the various components and implications of maritime security, including strengthening monitoring, accountability, and implementation.

• As you know, the Working Group on Capacity Building Coordination was established to spearhead work on capacity building coordination; and is the forum that will work most closely with the Friends of DCoC, with the Terms of Reference’ having been unanimously approved in November 2020, following a series of deliberations by the signatory States.

• Additionally, and of great importance, you will further recall, that the 22nd plenary of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS) held in Mauritius on 20 June 2019, resolved that the work of the Regional Capacity Building Coordination Working Group (RCBWG), be left to the DCoC mechanism, with a view to enhance efficiency and to avoid duplication of effort. This puts us in a good position to drive the regional capacity building agenda to ensure that it is aligned with regional needs and priorities.
Through this working group, it is envisioned that the Friends of DCoC will make it easier for donors and implementing agencies to informally discuss programmes and priorities and give the best service by way of technical assistance to DCoC member States based on the regional priorities and needs.

Tomorrow, we shall be informally engaging the Friends of DCoC for the first time since the Terms of Reference were approved. Once the capacity building matrix has been completed and member States have input their respective data, we shall formally engage them by way of the inaugural meeting of the Friends to be scheduled for early next year.

Annex H- CLOSING REMARKS BY ETHIOPIA

Closing remarks
By the Chair of DCoC (JA) Working Group 2 on Capacity Building Coordination. Captain Getinet Abay, Director Maritime Admin, Ethiopian Maritime Affairs Authority
Wednesday 10 November 2021

Salutations
❖ Distinguished National Focal Points and Members of Working Group 2
❖ IMO Secretariat Representatives attending this meeting
❖ All protocols observed

Ladies and gentlemen!

Let me take this opportunity to thank you for attending this 2nd Virtual meeting of the Working Group 2 Meeting. I thank you for your enthusiasm and active participation in the meeting.

I believe the discussions and recommendations as captured by the Secretariat in the Summary and Way forward of the meeting are a great take home for us and will progress the work of this working Group on coordination of capacity building in the Region.

We look forward to finalization of the capacity building coordination matrix by the NFPs and the finalization of the NTCs to fast track the joint training plans among other matters that we have deliberated on today. This will enable us to circulate the matrix to the Friends of DCoC and hopefully we shall have Implementing partners supporting us based on our needs and identified gaps for the betterment of the Signatory States and the Region at large.

As I conclude, I wish you all the best until we meet again albeit physically in Djibouti for those who shall attend the Whole of Government Approach to Maritime Security Workshop. In the meantime, stay safe and see you soon.

GOD blesses you all!! Thank you