

DJIBOUTI CODE OF CONDUCT/JEDDAH AMENDMENT FRIENDS OF DCoC/JA MEETING NO. 2

Held virtually via Zoom at 14:00hrs EAT Wednesday 28 September 2022

Record of the Meeting

- 1. The International Maritime Organization (hereinafter referred to as IMO), facilitated a meeting of the Friends of the Jeddah Amendment to the Djibouti Code of Conduct (DCoC(JA), on behalf 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.
- 2. The meeting was moderated by Mr. Kiruja Micheni (IMO). The following attended the meeting:

Partner Countries; CANADA, DENMARK, INDIA, UK, and USA

International Organizations; EU NAVFOR, EU CRIMARIO, ISS, STABLE SEAS, ROYAL NAVY, USCG

Representatives from the IMO secretariat were also present. The List of participants is enclosed as **Annex A**

Objective

3. The aim of the meeting was to update participants on developments since the last high-level meeting of signatory States, donors and implementing partners held in Dubai from 28-30 June 2022 and to discuss avenues for their' support for the implementation of the DCoC/JA.

Agenda

4. The meeting adopted the agenda that had been circulated prior to the meeting. The agenda is attached as **Annex B**.

Summary of the HLM held in Dubai, Steering Committee meeting and combined meetings of WG1 and WG2 held in September 2022

5. Mr. Kiruja Micheni (IMO) made a progress report of activities undertaken since the HLM and presented a summary of outcomes from the last SC meeting and combined meetings of WG1 and WG2 held in September. The meeting was also briefed on arrangements for the next HLM to be held in Jeddah from 22-24 Nov 2022.



Status update on WG1

- 6. Brigadier (Rtd) Loonena Naisho (Kenya) briefed on the Framework for Implementing the DCoC Information Sharing Network (ISN) Strategy and Roadmap and highlighted the importance of establishment of National Maritime Information Centres by all signatory States, with the goal to achieve initial operating capabilities as agreed at the Djibouti Workshop of March 2022 and adopted at the HLM in Dubai. Invitations have been sent to the FoDCoC to attend the HLM and the Regional workshop on development of concepts of operation for the DCoC/JA ISN, also scheduled to take place in Jeddah from the 13 24 Nov 2022.
- 7. He encouraged the FODCoC to coordinate their technical assistance, given to the DCoC/JA signatory States the IMO led Secretariat.

Yemen's request to reestablish the Regional Maritime Information Centre in Aden.

8. Brig. Loonena informed the meeting that Yemen had requested for assistance in reestablish the ReMISC in Aden and that UNDP Yemen and EU CRIMARIO had offered to assist. Plans are underway to undertake a joint needs assessment mission under the coordination of IMO.

Intention to develop strategies for tracking small vessels operating in territorial waters

9. Brigadier Naisho informed the meeting that signatory States are seeking assistance in implementing a regional programme that would enable continuous tracking of smaller vessels, including fishing boats and pleasure crafts operating within Territorial Waters, based on best practices learnt from the UAE.

The presentation by the Chair of WG 1 is attached as **Annex C**

Update from Chair of WG2 (Capacity Building Coordination)

The CB Matrix

10. Captain Getinet Abay (Ethiopia) highlighted the need to make use of the Capacity Building Coordination Matrix hosted on the DCoC website (members only portal) for coordination CB efforts, noting that the matrix provides critical information regarding signatory States' technical assistance needs and assigned priority. It covers thematic drawn provisions from the Jeddah Amendment including Maritime Security Governance, ISPS Compliance, Enhancement of Maritime Security and measures for dealing with new and emerging threats to maritime security.

Access of the CB Matrix for the Friends of DCoC

- Countries and/or Organizations supporting the implementation of the DCoC/JA through contributions to the DCoC trust Fund. Process – Qualifying partners to identify POC and request access through the secretariat.
- Countries and/or Organizations involved in implementing agreed priorities of the DCoC, as recommended by the Chair of WG2. Partners in this category to submit written request to the Chair of WG2 for consideration.

The presentation by the Chair of WG 2 is attached as **Annex D.**



Resource Mobilisation

- 11. The Chair WG 2 presented details of the following areas that urgently require technical assistance:
 - Missions to conduct capability assessments of NMISCs
 - Development of DCoC Regional Maritime Security Risk Register
 - Development and implementation of a programme for tracking of smaller vessels including fishes boats and pleasure crafts
 - Joint mission for carryout needs assessment for re-establishing REMISC in Aden (Yemen)
 - Resources mobilization through the DCoC Trust Fund to support for the critical work being carried out by the IMO secretariate in coordinating regional maritime security initiatives.

EU CRIMARIO highlighted the various areas they are willing to support. The same is attached as **ANNEX E.**

Nomination of Friends' Coordinator (ToRs Clause 7 and 15)

- 12. The meeting was informed of the need to have a Coordinator that the forum can work with and one that will work closely with the Secretariat in terms of deliverables.
- 13. USA is getting ready to refresh the Counter Piracy and Maritime Security document which was written in 2014 and the new plan will consider that Piracy has been repressed and highlight the regional security architecture in DCoC. USA will keep DCoC updated on how this will progress.
- 14. In line with a change in the regional scenario, being one of the immediate implications the fact that capacity building has come to the front, even more than ever, and as a follow up to the proposal from EU NAVFOR ATALANTA at the High Level Meeting in Dubai, a new Working Group on Capacity Building has been created for 50th SHADE, on 16-17 NOV. SHADE will evolve naturally according to the new scenario without any duplication as international navies will be attending."

Vote of thanks

- 15. UK (Karen Cahill) concluded the meeting by thanking every member for attending and noted the great strides the DCoC has undertaken, the Friends of DCoC Contribution, IMO for the Secretariat support and keeping the momentum and ensuring the benefits of the DCoC to the Region are well felt.
- 16. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 1545 hours EAT.



Annexes:

- Annex A List of Participants
- Annex B- Agenda
- Annex C- Update on WG1
- Annex D Update on WG2
- ANNEX E SUMMARY OF EU CRIMARIO'S PROPOSED SUPPORT

Annex A-List of Participants

List of Participants that attended the Friends of the DCoC virtual meeting on 28	
September 2022	
Brigadier (rtd) Loonena Naisho	Kenya
Joyce Awino	Kenya
Captain Getinet Gebru	Ethiopia
Evan Boettger	Canada
Odah Gabrielle	CMF
Lt CDR Diego Canovas-Canovas	EUNAVFOR Atalanta OHQ Rota
Lydelle Joubert	Stable Seas
David Nattrass	EU CRIMARIO
Martin Cauchi Inglott	EU CRIMARIO
Kjeld Gaard-Frederiksen	Denmark
Jens Lindvig	Denmark
Philip Halliquist	Denmark
Sudhir Singh	Ministry of External Affairs, India
Patricia Davies	British High Commission
Karen Cahill	British High Commission



Richard Morris	UK Royal Navy, MDA Programme
Denys Reva	Institute of Security Studies
Brian Lisko	USCG
Kiruja Micheni	IMO
Winnie Maina	IMO
Esther Njonde	IMO
Ivy Kamande	IMO

Annex B- AGENDA



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Annex C- UPDATE WG1





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Annex D- UPDATE WG2



WG 2 Capacity **Building Talking Point**

Annex E-SUMMARY OF EU CRIMARIO'S PROPOSED SUPPORT



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