

**High-Level Meeting on the Implementation of the DCoC/JA,  
Dar es Salaam, 28-30 November 2024  
Resolution On the Establishment Of  
Working Group 3 On Operational Cooperation And  
Coordination At Sea**

**Resolution 1 ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING GROUP 3 ON OPERATIONAL COOPERATION AND COORDINATION AT SEA**

The High-level, Regional Meeting on Implementation of the Jeddah Amendment to the Djibouti Code of Conduct:

**RECALLING** that the IMO Sub-regional meeting on piracy, armed robbery against ships and illicit maritime activity in the western Indian Ocean and the Gulf of Aden Area, hosted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and held in Jeddah from 10 to 12 January 2017 adopted the Jeddah Amendment to the Djibouti Code of Conduct, 2017 (DCoC/JA).

**RECALLING** that the Jeddah Amendment outlines a range of threats to maritime security on which participating States agreed to cooperate to the fullest extent possible to combat.

**RECOGNIZING** that the successful implementation of the DCoC and its Jeddah Amendment needs a whole-of-government approach, making full use of all of the competences, skills and capabilities that national authorities can bring to bear, both civilian and military.

**RECOGNIZING** that agencies working together, sharing capabilities, is a “force multiplier”, increasing effect while reducing costs to signatory States’ taxpayers.

**RECOGNIZING FURTHER** the potential of national, regional and international naval forces to assist maritime law enforcement agencies and regulatory bodies to carry out their duties, thus demonstrating to Governments the benefits of effective maritime security.

**WELCOMING** the recognition by navies of the importance of supporting the DCoC and the Jeddah Amendment, as articulated at the 5th Sea Power for Africa Symposium held in Cape Town in October 2024.

**CONVINCED** that naval forces bring significant capabilities including those for enhancing maritime domain awareness and interdiction at sea which, if coupled with other law enforcement and regulatory authorities, can bring benefits to both parties and the country as a whole.

**ALSO CONVINCED** that the principles of inter-agency cooperation and the whole of government approach will be effective at the national, regional and international levels.

**RECOGNIZING** that harnessing this potential will require close cooperation, coordination and communication between navies, law enforcement and civilian authorities, and between navies themselves at the national, regional and international levels.

**Has decided**

- 1 To establish Working Group 3 on Operational Cooperation and Coordination at Sea.
  - 2 To invite signatory States to the DCoC and the Jeddah Amendment and Friends of the DCoC to nominate suitable personnel from navies, law enforcement agencies and civilian authorities to serve as members of the Working Group.
  - 3 To request the first meeting of Working Group 3, inter alia, to elect a chair, co-chair and to develop suitable terms of reference and a work plan.
  - 4 To invite the Friends of the DCoC to provide sufficient funding to the DCoC Trust Fund to facilitate the work of Working Group 3.
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