



# United Kingdom Hydrographic Office

## SECURITY RELATED INFORMATION TO MARINERS

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### 5615(P) GULF OF ADEN — RED SEA - ARABIAN SEA - GULF OF OMAN

#### Maritime limits.

Source: Cancelled by New Edition of Q6099

1. On 1st December 2015, the limits of the High Risk Area (HRA) within the United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operation (UKMTO) Voluntary Reporting Area (VRA), shown on Maritime Security Chart Q6099, will be amended.
2. The revised limits are:

In the Red Sea: Latitude 15° N

In the Gulf of Oman: Latitude 22° N

Eastern limit: Longitude 65° E

Southern limit: Latitude 5° S

3. The UKMTO VRA limits are unchanged but the HRA has been substantially reduced in size.
4. Ships entering the VRA are strongly encouraged to liaise with the UKMTO to ensure that military assets are expecting the ship, also prior to entering the HRA, Register Vessel Movement with Maritime Security Centre for the Horn of Africa (MSC-HOA).
5. It is strongly recommended that effective Best Management Practices (BMP) measures are implemented if the risk assessment indicates their necessity.
6. Further information can be found on the websites of MSCHOA ([www.mschoa.org](http://www.mschoa.org)) and the NATO Shipping Centre ([www.shipping.nato.int](http://www.shipping.nato.int)).
7. A new edition of the Maritime Security Chart Q6099 incorporating these amendments is due to be published on 10th December, 2015.