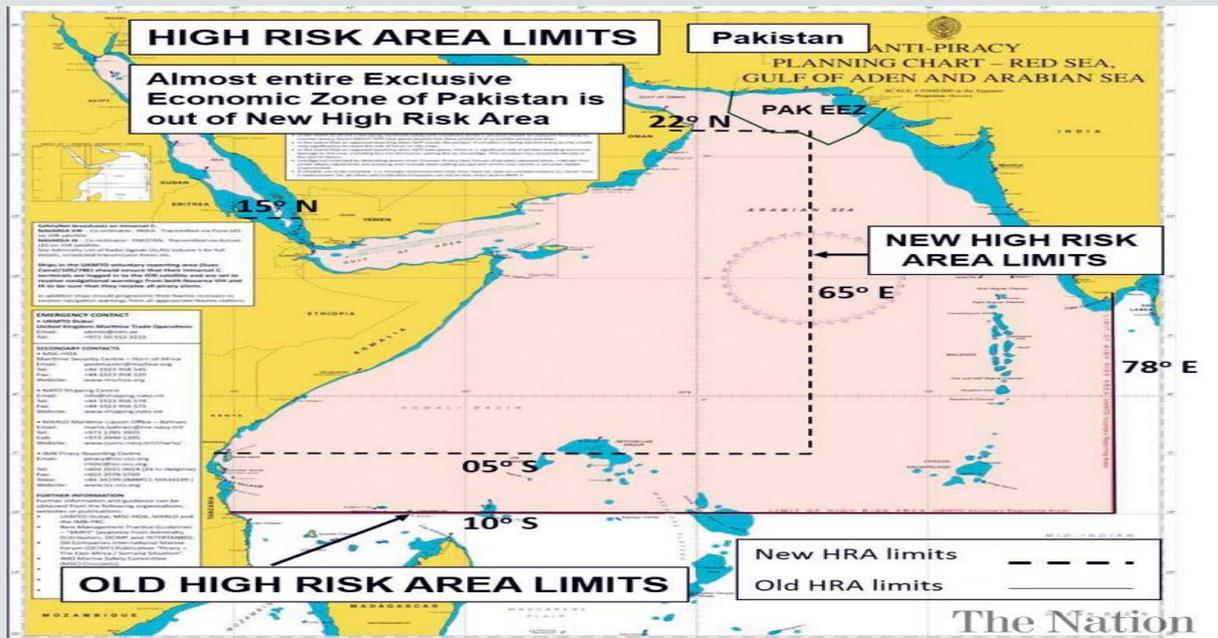


KPI Information Update IU-87-2015 (New boundary of High Risk Area)

In section 2 of the best management practices to protect against Somalia based piracy (BMP 4) (MSC.1/Circ.1339) the High Risk Area is reduced and now defined as being bounded by:

- * In the Red Sea: Latitude 15°N
- * In the Gulf of Oman: Latitude 22°N
- * Eastern limit: Longitude 065°E
- * Southern limit: Latitude 5°S



The revisions are effective and will formally apply as of 1 December 2015, in order to give shipping companies and crews time to adapt to them.

A new version of the Admiralty Chart Q6099 will be made available before the entry into force of the revisions.

Whilst the revision re-designates the area considered to be at a high risk of Somalia-based pirate groups, it is stressed that these groups retain the ability to attack at historical limits of their activity. As such, the three pillars of BMP 4, namely registering at MSCHOA, reporting to UKMTO and implementing ship protection measures on the basis of a thorough risk assessment remain essential.