

"SARNIA NEWS" CIRCULAR

(Ref: 305/16/GP)

TO ALL SHIPOWNER CLIENTS

14th October 2016

Re: *IMPORTANT NOTICE*** - US missile attacks on radar sites– Yemen**

Please find below a new **ALERT** from Gray Page, a specialist maritime consulting group, concerning US Military cruise missiles launched on 3 coastal radar sites on Yemen's Red Sea Coast, which is for your information.

Best regards,

Loss Prevention Team

From: Gray Page [<mailto:theresa.canning@graypage.com>]

Sent: 13 October 2016 13:07

To: Amgad Wanis

Subject: A new alert from Gray Page

US missile attacks on radar sites, Yemen

Background

The US military has launched cruise missile attacks on three coastal radar sites on Yemen's Red Sea coast. It follows what the United States claims have been two missile attacks in four days against one of its warships. "These limited self-defense strikes were conducted to protect our personnel, our ships, and our freedom of navigation," said a US spokesman quoted on Thursday (October 13). "The United States will respond to any further threat to our ships and commercial traffic, as appropriate."

Assessment and Analysis

The US claims its guided missile destroyer USS Mason has twice come under missile attack from territory held by Yemen's Houthi rebels. The destroyer is undamaged and rebels have denied involvement in at least the first of the two attacks.

On October 1 a vessel under charter to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) military, which is part of the coalition fighting the Iranian backed rebels, was hit by missiles as it sailed through the Bab Al Mandeb Strait. The strait connects the Red Sea to the Gulf of Aden. Houthi rebels claimed responsibility.

A Saudi-led coalition, supported by the United States, has been carrying out an air campaign against the Houthi rebels.

During the past two years commercial shipping has been at heightened risk around the Yemeni coast, but to date only military related targets have been reported physically attacked. Commercial shipping operations have been effected by delays and commercial disputes.

[Go to Global Alerts page](#)

Unsubscribe: If you no longer wish to receive these updates via email [please unsubscribe here](#).