

'Q Card' BMP West Africa – 7

Ships Under Attack

ATTACK STAGE

Reconfirm all ship's crew are in the safe muster point or citadel as instructed by the Master.

**Report the attack immediately to MDAT-GoG
+33 298 228888 by telephone.**

As the attackers close in on the ship, Masters should commence small alterations of helm whilst maintaining speed to deter skiffs from lying alongside the ship in preparation for a boarding attempt. These manoeuvres will create additional wash to impede the operation of the skiffs.

Large amounts of helm are not recommended, as these are likely to significantly reduce a ship's speed.

Security Escort Vessel if present, will conduct themselves as governed by their rules of engagement.

ACTIONS ON ILLEGAL BOARDING

Muster the crew in the citadel. Bridge Team to lock inner doors (leading to the lower decks) when on route to the citadel.

Use all available means to establish communications from the citadel with MDAT-GoG and company to confirm all crew are accounted for and in the citadel or safe muster point.

Stay in the citadel until conditions force you to leave or as advised by the military or company. (If a military response is not available CCTV from the citadel may be used to assist in assessing the status of the vessel / location of attackers).

If any member of the crew is captured it should be considered that the attackers have full control of the ship.