

PANEL DISCUSSION

ON

**MARITIME SECURITY COOPERATION
ARCHITECTURE ON PAPER AND IN
PRACTICE IN THE GULF OF GUINEA**

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REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS ON MARITIME SECURITY AROUND AFRICA

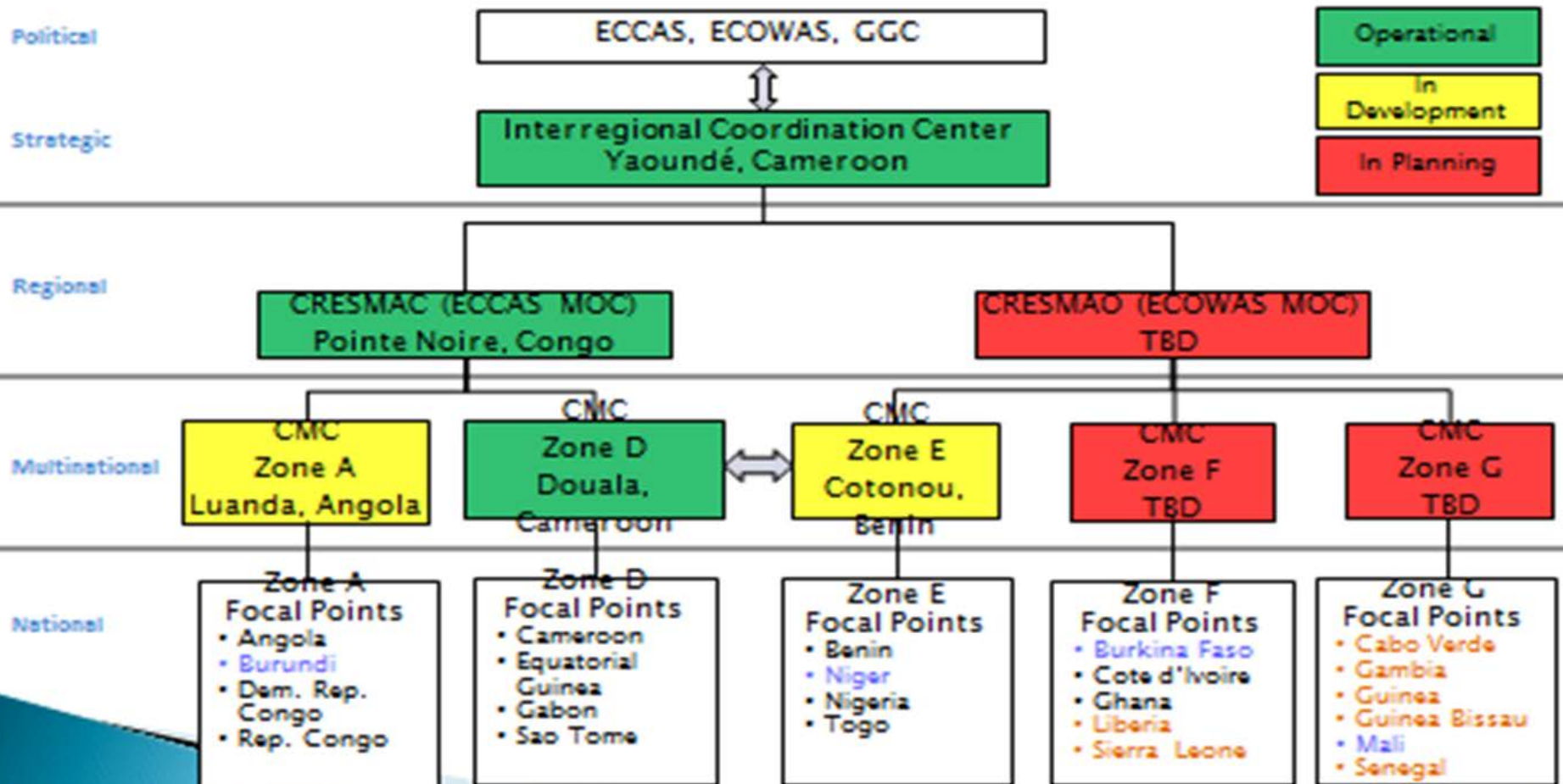
- **Gulf of Guinea Commission/AU Stand by Force** 2001-03.
- **SPAS (CEWS, REWS, NTGs)** 2005-06.
- **Africa Partnership Stations, MoUs (Flag/Port state)** 2007-
- **UN Resolutions(1814, 1851, 1812, 1839, 2018, 2039)** 2008
- **CMF, Op ATALANTA** 2008-
- **Regional Mechanisms(MOWCA,ECCAS,ECOWAS,SADC,EAS,IGAD)** 2009-
- **AU HoG Resolution and IMO Recommendations 1333** 2009
- **Yaounde Declaration (ECOWAS-ECCAS)** 2013.
- **AIMS 2050 (Blue economy, CEMZA, MOCs, CHANS)** 2014.
- **AU Charter on Maritime Security Safety Development** 2016.

Impact and Implications

- ***Increasing commitment to cooperative efforts***
- ***Foundation for practical collaboration and coordination***
- ***Linkage between economic and security strategies***

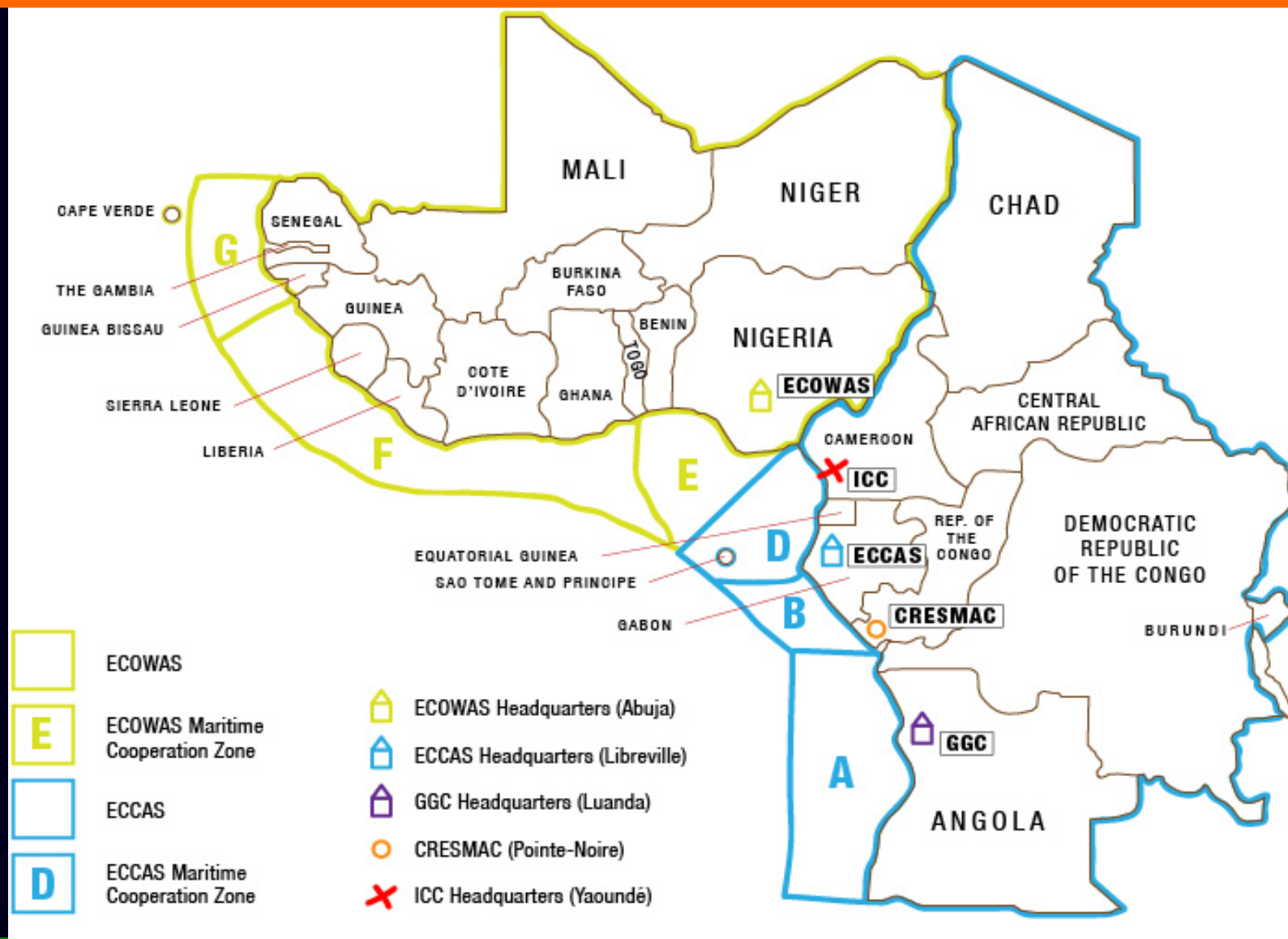
MARITIME SECURITY ARCHITECTURE IN THE GULF OF GUINEA

Yaoundé Process Information Infrastructure



- No maritime border
- OE13 Non-participant

MARITIME SECURITY ARCHITECTURE IN THE GULF OF GUINEA



EXPERIENCES IN ZONE E

- **Multi-lateral Agreement** 2013
- **Establishment of Zone E MMCC and Plan** 2013
- **Activation of Zone E Heads of Navies Forum** 2014
- **Inauguration of Zone E MMCC Cotonou** 2015

Outstanding Issues

- ✓ *Operational infrastructure*
- ✓ *Sustenance of Heads of Navies/Agencies Forum*
- ✓ *Civil maritime involvement*
- ✓ *Collaboration with Zone D and Zone E*

CHALLENGES

- **Non-coherent national strategies and structures**
- **Gaps of institutional memory**
- **Limited commitment to implementation plans**
- **Weak legal framework and common procedures**
- **Limited profiling capacity**
- **Deficient infrastructure in zonal, regional and inter-regional centres**

MARITIME LAWS AND PROSECUTION PROCESS



MT MARIAM (Ex MT INGE) Experience - 2015

HARMONISED STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES ON ARREST DETENTION AND PROSECUTION OF VESSELS AND PERSONS IN NIGERIA



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA



FMARD
FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

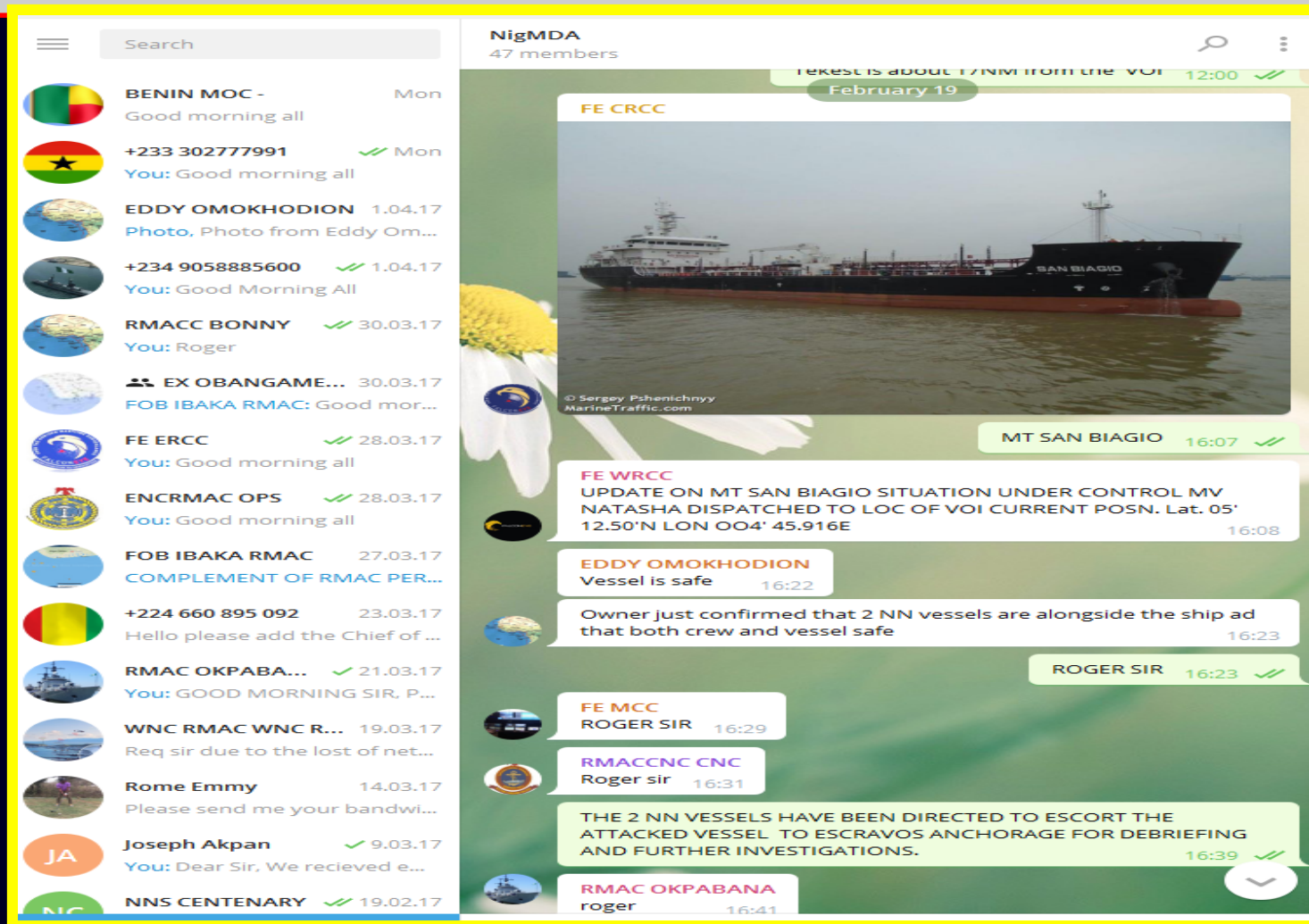


HARMONIZED STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES ON ARREST, DETENTION AND PROSECUTION OF VESSELS AND PERSONS IN NIGERIA'S MARITIME ENVIRONMENT

2016

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TELEGRAM INFORMATION SHARING NETWORK IN THE GULF OF GUINEA



Source: NHQ OPS ROOM

REMEDIAL MEASURES

- Activation/enhanced profiling by ICC, RMCCs, MMCCs
 - ✓ *Real-time communication and information sharing*
 - ✓ *Database on vessels and persons of interest*
 - ✓ *Maritime domain awareness picture*
- Civil sector integration into security architecture
- Intra-national maritime strategies
- Promotion of robust legal frameworks

CONCLUDING THOUGHTS

- ✓ *The best strategy does not often survive the first contact with the enemy*
- ✓ *Preventive strategy is more effective*
- ✓ *Maritime criminality begins and ends ashore*
- ✓ *Better to be pro-active than being reactive*

CONCLUSION