

**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**

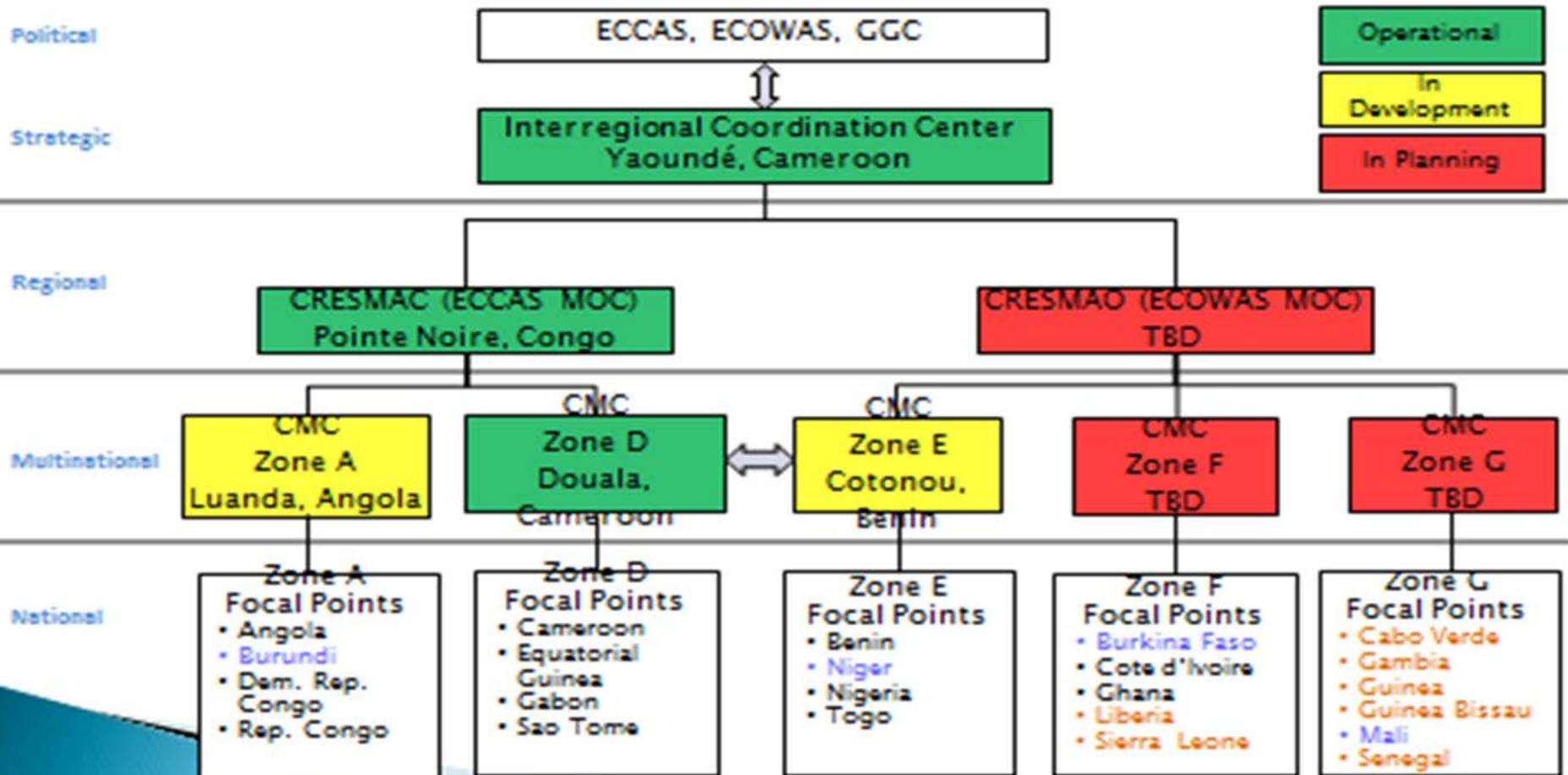
- **Gulf of Guinea Commission/AU Stand by Force** 2001-03.
- **SPAS (CEWS, REWS, NTGs)** 2005-06.
- **Africa Partnership Stations, MoUs (Flag/Port state)** 2007-
- **UN Resolutions(1814, 1851, 1812, 1839, 2018, 2039)** 2008
- **CMF, Op ATALANTA** 2008-
- **Regional Mechanisms(MOWCA,ECCAS,ECOWAS,SADC,EAS,IGAD)** 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***

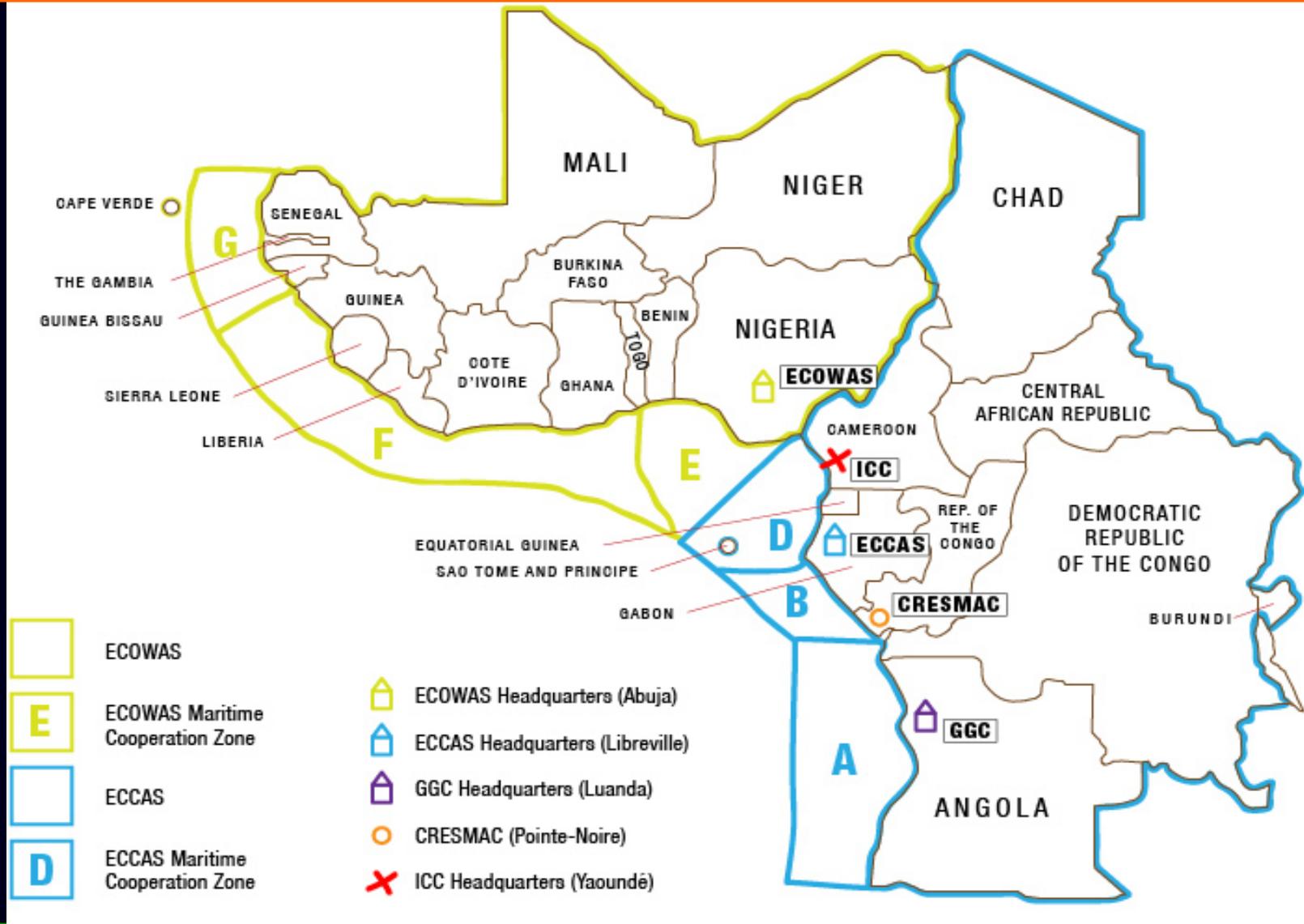
# MARITIME SECURITY ARCHITECTURE IN THE GULF OF GUINEA

## Yaoundé Process Information Infrastructure



- No maritime border
- OES 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

HSOP-AD&P

# TELEGRAM INFORMATION SHARING NETWORK IN THE GULF OF GUINEA

**NigMDA**  
47 members

February 19 12:00 ✓✓  
Request is about 17NM from the VOI

**FE CRCC**

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MarineTraffic.com

**MT SAN BIAGIO** 16:07 ✓✓

**FE WRCC**  
UPDATE ON MT SAN BIAGIO SITUATION UNDER CONTROL MV NATASHA DISPATCHED TO LOC OF VOI CURRENT POSN. Lat. 05' 12.50'N LON 004' 45.916E 16:08

**EDDY OMOKHODION**  
Vessel is safe 16:22

Owner just confirmed that 2 NN vessels are alongside the ship and that both crew and vessel safe 16:23

**ROGER SIR** 16:23 ✓✓

**FE MCC**  
ROGER SIR 16:29

**RMACCNC CNC**  
Roger sir 16:31

THE 2 NN VESSELS HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO ESCORT THE ATTACKED VESSEL TO ESCRAVOS ANCHORAGE FOR DEBRIEFING AND FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS. 16:39 ✓✓

**RMAC OKPABANA**  
roger 16:41

**Chat List:**

- BENIN MOC - Mon  
Good morning all
- +233 302777991 ✓ Mon  
You: Good morning all
- EDDY OMOKHODION 1.04.17  
Photo, Photo from Eddy Om...
- +234 9058885600 ✓✓ 1.04.17  
You: Good Morning All
- RMACC BONNY ✓✓ 30.03.17  
You: Roger
- EX OBANGAME... 30.03.17  
FOB IBAKA RMAC: Good mor...
- FE ERCC ✓✓ 28.03.17  
You: Good morning all
- ENCRMAC OPS ✓✓ 28.03.17  
You: Good morning all
- FOB IBAKA RMAC 27.03.17  
COMPLEMENT OF RMAC PER...
- +224 660 895 092 23.03.17  
Hello please add the Chief of ...
- RMAC OKPABA... ✓ 21.03.17  
You: GOOD MORNING SIR, P...
- WNC RMAC WNC R... 19.03.17  
Req sir due to the lost of net...
- Rome Emmy 14.03.17  
Please send me your bandwi...
- Joseph Akpan ✓ 9.03.17  
You: Dear Sir, We recieved e...
- NNS CENTENARY ✓✓ 19.02.17

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**