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**TO : ALL SHIPPING COMPANIES, SHIP OPERATORS, SHIP MANAGERS, SHIP CHARTERERS WITH SHIPS ENGAGED INTERNATIONAL VOYAGES, AND ALL CONCERNS**

**SUBJECT : GULF OF GUINEA SECURITY ADVISORY**

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Notice is hereby given that the Baltic and International Maritime Council (BIMCO), had issued a Security Advisory on 05 February 2015 to highlight the recent events in the Gulf of Guinea and reinforce guidance.

As per report by BIMCO Security, the Gulf of Guinea has become extremely dangerous and that the Nigerian Government has said that it will not hesitate to detain any ship entering the country's territorial and coastal waters with security escorts on board, whether armed or unarmed. Thus, all concerned are advised to note the said intention and are reminded that BIMCO Guidance on Gulf of Guinea Piracy can be found in "Guidelines for Owners, Operators and Masters for Protection against Piracy in the Gulf of Guinea Region." Said guidelines can be downloaded at: [www.bimco.org](http://www.bimco.org).

Further, it is strongly advised if trading in Nigeria, members may only seek assistance from legitimate sources: the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) or the Nigerian Navy.

For your information and guidance.

  
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