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EU approach to maritime security - A military perspective

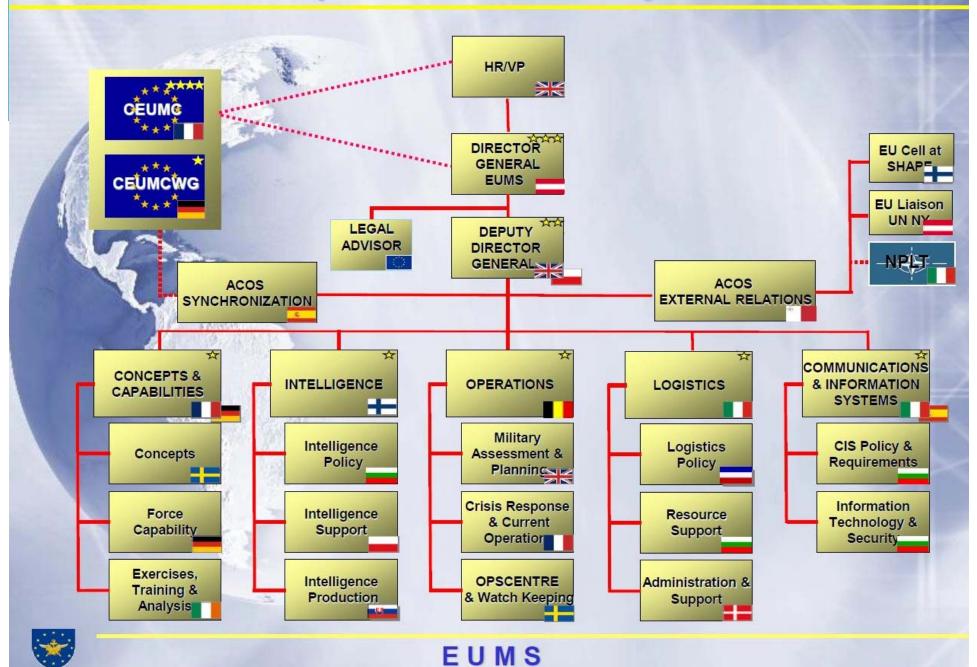
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### **OVERVIEW**

- Role of the military / EUMS in general
- The EU approach to maritime security
- Specific CSDP Missions and Operations
- Gulf of Guinea and Asia
- Conclusions

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## **Guiding Factors**

- **EU's Approach:** cross-sectoral, holistic, cost-effective, enhanced cooperation
- Joint Communication on Elements of the EU Maritime Security Strategy (to be finalised by June 2014)
  - Articulate strategic maritime interests
  - Identify maritime threats, challenges and risks
  - Give a purpose of EU MSS
  - Organise EU's response
- Military one dimension/instrument of the EU comprehensive engagement
  - in line with EU MSO Concept and NATO policy

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€1.6bn 2008-13



### HoA Strategy



















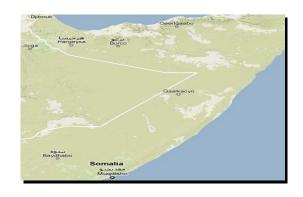


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**TROOP CONTRIBUTING NATIONS: 13 (12 EU)** 

STRENGTH: ~100

### STATE OF PLAY

- 3rd Mandate until Mar 2015
- MHQ deployed in Mogadishu relocation complete
- Advising/Mentoring/Training ongoing

### **WAY AHEAD**

 Autumn 2014 Strategic Review

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### **EUCAP NESTOR**

- •Strengthen sea-going maritime capacity of Djibouti, Kenya, Tanzania, and the Seychelles
- •Strengthen rule of law in Somalia: set-up and training of a land-based coastal police force, support to the judiciary
- •Strengthen legal framework for the fight against piracy in the region

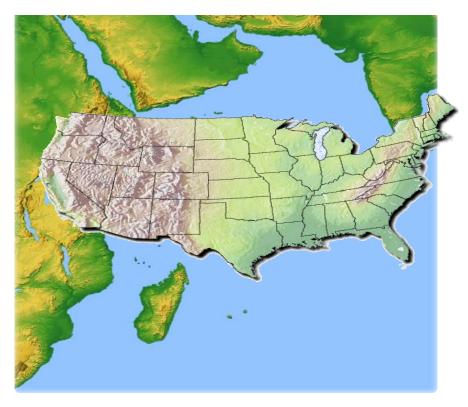


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### **EUNAVFOR Operation ATALANTA**

MISSION: To protect WFP shipping, other vulnerable shipping, deter, prevent and intervene in order to bring to an end acts of piracy.



- First naval CSDP operation
- Positive trend has continued
- Autonomous EU operation
- Piracy contained, NOT eradicated
- Current Forces:
  - 4-7x

3 - 5 x



- 1000 Personnel
- 24 nations (NO, HR, UA, ME, SR)

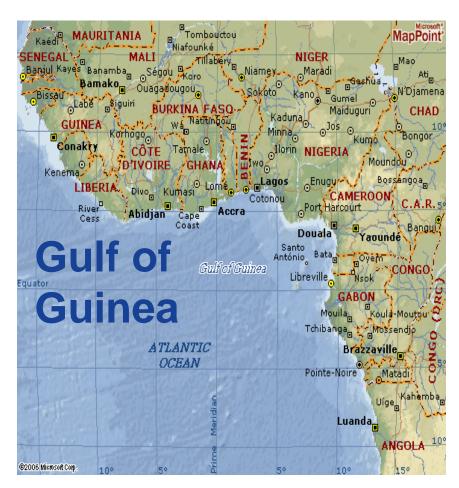
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Mix of maritime criminal activities that put at risk the stability of the states of the region

### **EU's Strategy objectives:**

- Build a common understanding of the scale of the threat
- Help governments of the region build robust institutions
- •Support prosperous economies in the region
- •Strengthen cooperation structures between the countries of the region and the regional organisations



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### CONCLUSIONS

- Intense and consistent process to streamline EU's approach to maritime security
- •Specific CSDP missions and operations as a part of EU's Comprehensive engagement
- Military is just one instrument in the EU toolbox supporting the overall EU comprehensive approach, but offers a variety of key contributions



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