



Singapore Shipping Association

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To: All SSA Members

SEMINAR ON ANTI-PIRACY OPERATIONS OFF SOMALIA In conjunction with EUNAVFOR and Salama Fikira

Date : 28 April 2010, Wednesday
Time : 9.30 am – 12.00 nn
Venue : Raffles Room, Maxwell Chambers (Level 3)
32, Maxwell Road
Singapore 069115
Registration : Free (for SSA members)
\$35 incl GST (for non SSA members)

If you have ships transiting the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean, this is a seminar you should not miss!

The escalating numbers of ship hijacks and maritime piracy in this area is of major concern. In conjunction with Singapore Maritime Week 2010, Singapore Shipping Association is pleased to invite personnel from EUNAVFOR, MSCHOA and Salama Fikira International Ltd., to share their first-hand information on their current activities and military co-operation in the region.

The session will be chaired by SSA Councillor and Chairman of the International Committee, **Mr. Esben Poulsen**. This would include presentations by **Capt. Paul Chivers, O.B.E.**, Chief of Staff for the European Union Naval Force (EUNAVFOR) and **Lt. Col. (Ret) Conrad Thorpe, O.B.E.**, Director of Maritime Security Support Services of Salama Fikira International Limited.

Focusing on the benefits of anti-piracy training for ship crews, Crisis Response Teams and citing examples of how pirate attacks were successfully thwarted, this seminar would not only provide you with an in-depth overview of naval operations in the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean but also with the most up-to-date information needed to prevent and protect yourselves against piracy.

To allow as many member companies to participate in this seminar as possible, each company is allowed to register up to two participants. Additional registrants will be put on a waiting list and be given a seat, subject to availability, after the deadline. Participation is strictly by pre-registration only. Kindly note that this is a closed door session and no media coverage will be allowed.

If you would like to attend this seminar, please complete the attached registration form and return it to the SSA Secretariat at registration@ssa.org.sg or via fax to **6222 5527** by **21 April 2010, Wednesday.**

We look forward to your active participation and support.

Best regards,
AILEEN KONG
Executive Officer, Corporate Communications



Singapore Shipping Association

Seminar on Anti-Piracy Operations off Somalia

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- 9.30 am **Arrival and Registration of guests**
- 9.50 am **Opening Remarks by Session Chairman**
Mr. Esben Poulsson,
SSA Council Member, Chairman – SSA International Committee
- 10.00 am **“Overview of Naval Operations in the Gulf of Aden & Indian Ocean”
presentation**
*by Capt Paul Chivers, O.B.E.,
Chief of Staff, EUNAVFOR*
- 10.30 am **“Anti-Piracy Training for Ship Crew & Crisis Response Teams”**
*by Lt. Col. (Ret) Conrad Thorpe, O.B.E.,
Director of Maritime Security Support Services, Salama Fikira International Ltd.*
- 11.00 am **Q & A, Panel Discussion chaired by Mr. Esben Poulsson, with:**
- *Capt. Paul Chivers, O.B.E., EUNAVFOR*
 - *Mr. Simon Church, Industry Liaison Officer, Maritime Security Centre (Horn of Africa)(MSCHOA)*
 - *Lt Col (Ret.) Conrad Thorpe, O.B.E., Salama Fikira International Ltd.*
- 12.00 nn **End**



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“Overview of Naval Operations in the Gulf of Aden & Indian Ocean”

Capt. Paul Chivers, O.B.E will outline the background to piracy off the coast of Somalia in the Gulf of Aden and the Somali Basin. There will be an update of the latest intelligence, Operation ATALANTA mission to protect vulnerable shipping and the World Food Programme, and other topics. He will also cover measures taken by the industry and shipping companies such as self-protection measures and registration with MSCHOA. Following which, he will touch on the achievements and recommendations of the EU Naval Force and conclude the presentation covering various regional engagements, regional initiatives and the key issues surrounding the successful combating of piracy in the aforementioned area.



Capt Paul Chivers, O.B.E.

**Chief of Staff for the
European Union Naval
Force (EUNAVFOR)**

Capt. Paul Chivers, O.B.E., joined the Britannia Royal Naval College in 1981 and conducted his Fleet training onboard HMS COVENTRY, which included her loss during the Falklands conflict.

By 1993, he was a qualified Warfare Officer and was appointed to HMS LIVERPOOL in 1997 as the Executive Officer before attending the Advanced Command and Staff College where he gained a Masters Degree (King's College London) in Defence Studies.

Selected for Sea Command in May 2002, he commanded HMS LANCASTER for 18 months before returning to dry land as a desk officer within the Naval Staff Directorate. He was later selected to be Captain in 2006 and after 6 months as the Assistant Director for Naval Strategy, he returned to PJHQ as DACOS Joint Warfare Development.

His wealth of experience led him to his current appointment as DACOS Above Water in the Navy Command Headquarters in which he is responsible for the generation and capability development of frigates and destroyers.



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“Anti-Piracy Training for Ship Crew & Crisis Response Teams”

Lt. Col. (Ret) Conrad Thorpe, O.B.E. will be focusing on the benefits of anti-piracy training for ship crews, Crisis Response Teams and citing examples of how pirate attacks were successfully thwarted. Providing you with useful methods on how to guard against piracy.

<p><i>Lt. Col. (Ret) Conrad Thorpe, O.B.E.</i></p> <p><i>Director of Maritime Security Support Services, Salama Fikira International Ltd.</i></p>	<p>Conrad retired from the UK Military in 2005 as a Lt Col Royal Marines. During his career he commanded the SBS (Special Boat Service – the special forces unit of the British Royal Navy) and was the Training Colonel at the Royal Marines Commando Training Centre, Lympstone, Devon, UK, with operations in maritime counter-terrorism, maritime counter-narcotics and other military operations around the world.</p> <p>Born in Kenya, East Africa, Lt. Col. (Ret) Conrad Thorpe, O.B.E., Conrad also understands the issues surrounding Africa and he has a deep knowledge of the Somalis and their Tribal communities.</p> <p>Upon retirement, he established the foundations for commercially delivered maritime security solutions in the shipping industry with the company he formed in 2005 - Salama Fikira.</p> <p>Salama Fikira now provides risk management solutions to clients across the Indian Ocean and Gulf of Aden as well as in East, Central and The Horn of Africa region.</p>
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REGISTRATION FORM

(Please reply by *Wednesday, 21 April 2010*)

Date: _____
To: Singapore Shipping Association
59 Tras Street
Singapore 078998

Fax: **6222 5527**
Email: registration@ssa.org.sg

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Wednesday, 28 April 2010
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We are pleased to register the following participant(s) for the above event:

	Name	Designation	Email
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On Waitlist			
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Registration Fees

SSA Member: FREE (for up to 4 participants per company, subject to seat availability)
Non Member: \$35 per participant (includes GST)

Kindly note that a charge of \$50 (incl. GST) per person will be levied for participants who fail to turn up after registration or who walk in without prior registration.

Any cancellation/substitution must be made in writing, either by email or fax by Monday, 26 April 2010.

Name of Contact Person : _____
Designation : _____
Company : _____
Company's Address : _____
Tel : _____ Fax: _____
Email Address : _____

Please contact SSA at tel: 6222 5238 if you fail to receive an email confirmation by
5.00pm Friday, 23 April 2010.