

LP Bulletin

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Bulletin 874 - 03/13 - Nigeria & Guinea Emergency Contacts - West Africa

Due to the continuing high numbers of hijackings, attacks and attempted boarding in West African areas around the Gulf of Guinea, emergency contact numbers have been issued by the local authorities.

The UK Defense Attaché in Abuja has requested that the Nigerian Navy provide some emergency contact numbers which may be used by vessels, owners and operators in case of an attack or other act of piracy whilst in Nigerian waters.

The following numbers and details have been provided by the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office:

Joint Task Force (Op PULO SHIELD) covering the Niger Delta area +234 (0)802 363 9153 +234 (0)703 9783346

Email: hqjtfoppuloshield@yahoo.com

Naval Headquarters Operations Room +234 (0)813 879 9220

Department of State Security

+234 (0)813 222 2106 +234 (0)813 222 2105

The details include numbers for mobile phones and may be subject to change.

As always, Members are advised to take particular caution when trading in high piracy areas, and to follow good practices and procedures as laid out in BMP4.

More information regarding the piracy issue can be found at the UK P&I website here

Source of Information:

Intercargo www.intercargo.org

British Foreign & Commonwealth Office <u>http://www.fco.gov.uk</u>