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# Background



- Established 2019 after blatant attacks on merchant vessels attributed to state actors
- **Mission:** Form an **international** coalition, **deter** and **expose** state-sponsored malign activity, **reassure** partners and merchant industry
- **Objective:** Restore and maintain international rules-based order; freedom of navigation; free-flow of commerce
- **Relevance**
  - 42,000 ships and 20% of world's energy supply transit Strait of Hormuz annually
  - 21 Million barrels of oil leave the Gulf every day
  - \$685 Billion worth of oil transits through Strait of Hormuz annually





# What We Do

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- Operate with coalition warships and staff from IMSC partners
- Focus on strategic chokepoints and connecting waters
- Sentinel Shield- Maritime exercises
- Key Leadership Engagement
- Innovation







# THE SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT OF CTF SENTINEL



## Sentinels



**Oliver Hazard Perry-class  
Guided Missile Frigate**



**Al Riyadh-class Frigate**



**Al Madinah-class  
Frigate**



**Type 23 Duke-class  
Frigate**



**Arleigh Burke-class  
Guided Missile Destroyer**

## Sentries



**Al Zubarah-class  
Offshore Patrol  
Vessel**



**Ahmed Al Fateh-  
class Missile  
Patrol Boat**



**Al Manama-  
class Missile  
Corvette**



**Al Riffa-class  
Patrol Boat**



**Swiftship 35  
Fast Patrol  
Vessel**



**Al Jubail-class  
Corvette**



**As Siddiq-class  
Patrol Boat**



**Badr-class  
Corvette**



**Sandown-Class  
Minehunter**



**Baynunah-  
class Patrol  
Craft Escort**



**Murayjib-class  
Corvette**



**Mubarraz-class  
Fast Attack Craft**



**Baniyas-class  
Fast Missile Boat**



**Falaj-2-class  
Offshore  
Patrol Vessel**



**Bay-class Landing  
Ship Dock**



**Hunt-Class  
Minehunter**



**Sandown-Class  
Minehunter**



**Sentinel-class Fast  
Response Cutter**



**Avenger-class Mine  
Countermeasures  
Ship**



**Lewis B. Puller-class  
Expeditionary Sea Base**

## Aircraft



**MBB Bo 105**



**AS565 Panther**



**AS332 Super Puma**



**MH-60R  
Seahawk**



**AS565 Panther**



**AW159 Wildcat**



**MH-60R  
Seahawk**



**P-8A  
Poseidon**

\*Vessels and aircraft not to scale



# IMSC Staff



***“Our People are our most valuable Asset”***



# Deterrence



**Persistent Presence / Overwatch of Key Strategic Chokepoints Through:**

Network of Sentries and Sentinels

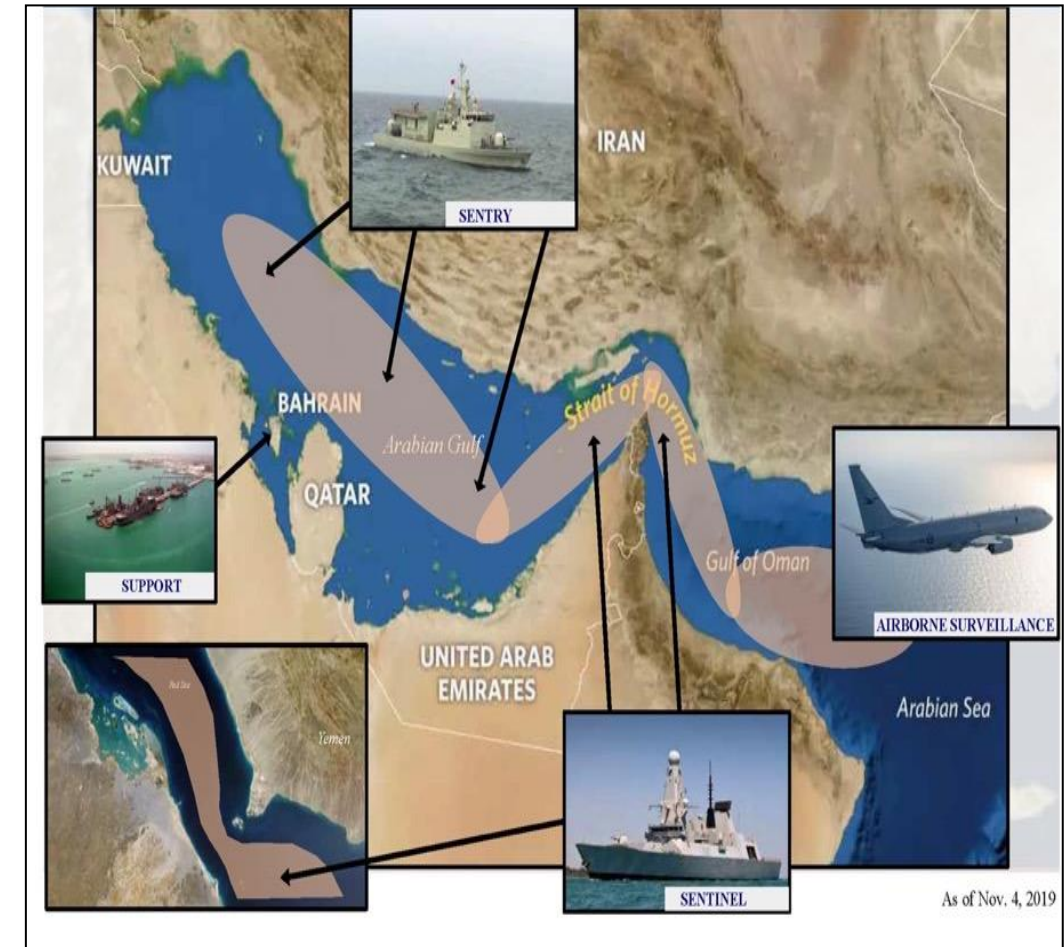
Partner Nation information sharing

Fused white shipping picture

Coordination of regional nations at sea

Coalition led watch floor

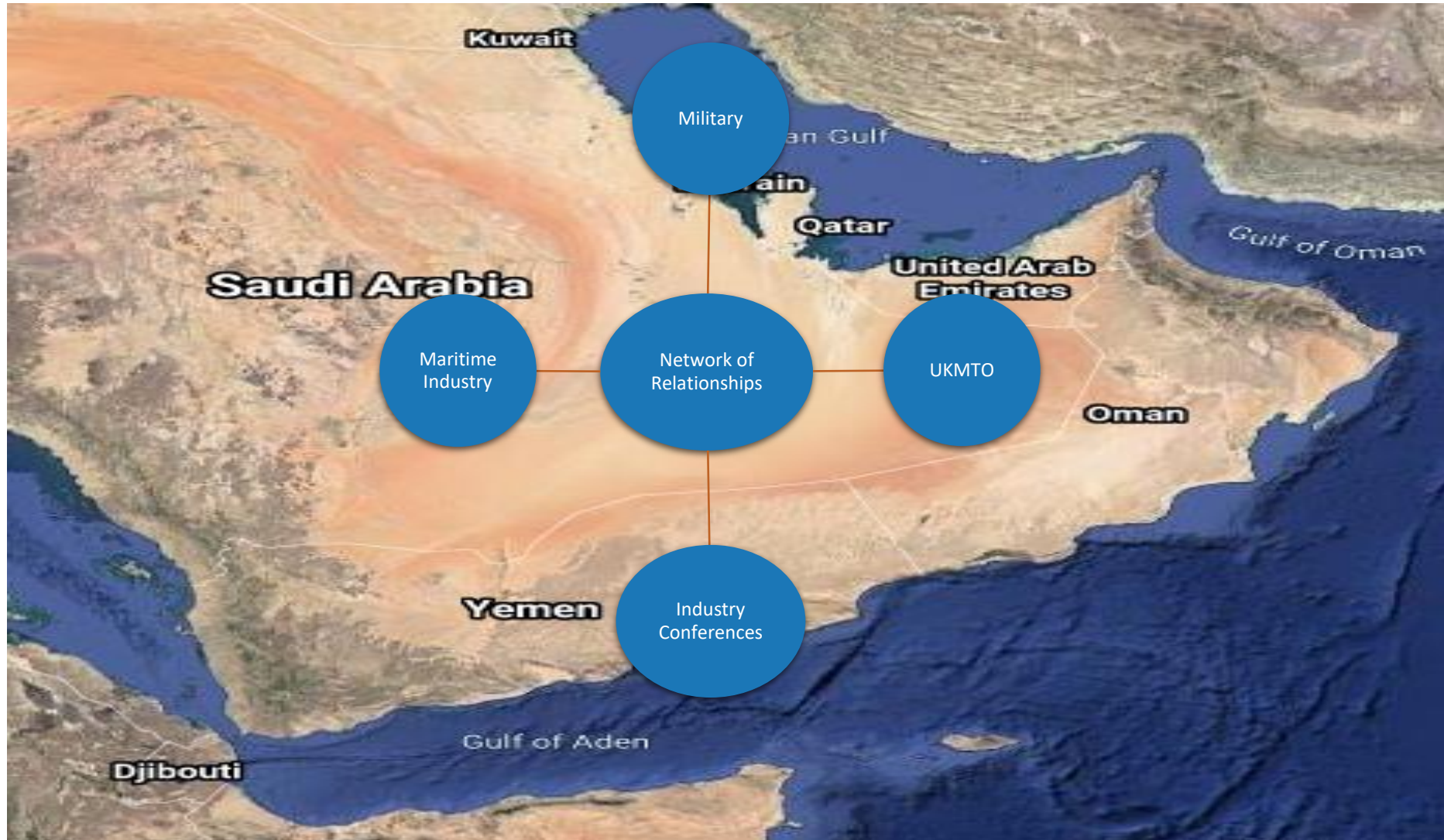
Integrated network of regional Naval Operations Centers





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# Reassurance





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# ***IMSC - Considerations***



- Defensive in nature
- No IMSC specific Rules of Engagement
- Possible Bilateral and reciprocal Collective Self-Defense Agreement
- Partner Nations National Caveats / Authorities control





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# Flexible Membership Options



- Public Commitment
- Public Commitment + Staff Support
- Public Commitment + Staff Support + Force Flow

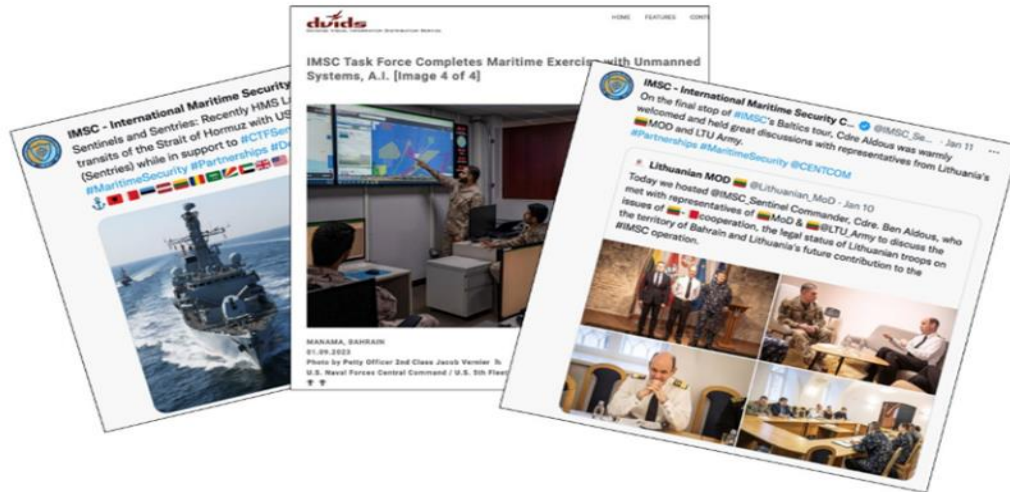


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# What we need



- Force Flow
  - Ships
  - Staff
- Amplify Strategic Communication



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# Summary



- Shared interest in maritime security
- Committed to Freedom of Navigation and upholding International Rules Based Order
- Mandate to deter, deescalate and expose malign state activity in the region
- Uniquely positioned to counter misinformation & disinformation