

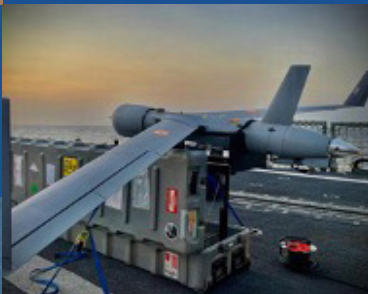


**3.199.862**  
TONNES OF FOOD/AID  
DELIVERED



**20**  
CONTRIBUTING  
NATIONS

**15.953**  
KILOS OF NARCOTICS  
IMPOUNDED



**2082**  
WFP VESSELS  
PROTECTED




**World Food Programme**  
wfp.org








European Union  
**EXTERNAL ACTION**



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# EU NAVFOR OPERATION ATALANTA



## ABOUT US

In late 2008, the Council of the European Union adopted Joint Action 2008/851/CFSP to establish the executive EU military maritime operation and contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast. At that time, they were some of the most important threats to world maritime shipping.

Over time, the mandate of **EU NAVFOR** has been adapted to the evolving situation in the Area of Operation, and the increased presence of the International Community in the Western Indian Ocean.



## MISSION & MANDATE

### Executive tasks:

- PROTECT World Food Program and other Vulnerable Shipping;
- DETER, PREVENT and REPRESS piracy and armed robbery at sea;
- CONTRIBUTE to the DISRUPTION of narcotics drugs and weapons trafficking.

### Non-executive tasks:

- CONTRIBUTE to the monitoring of narcotics drugs trafficking, weapons trafficking, suspected IUU fishing and charcoal illicit trade;
- CONTRIBUTE to the EU integrated approach to Somalia and the relevant activities of the international community, helping to address the root causes of piracy and its network;
- SUPPORT other EU missions, programs and instruments in Somalia. In particular, COORDINATE closely with EUTM Somalia, EUCAP Somalia and the Coordinated Maritime Presences in the North Western Indian Ocean;
- SUPPORT the promotion of the overall regional maritime security architecture, and REINFORCE the already developed links with the Regional Maritime Information Fusion Centre (Madagascar) and the Regional Operational Coordination Centre (Seychelles);
- COOPERATE with operation AGENOR and DEVELOP further the synergies with European-led Maritime Situation Awareness in the Strait of Hormuz (EMASoH).

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- 100% success rate in protecting WFP vessels delivering humanitarian aid to internally displaced and refugees in the region.
- Ensured the protection of vulnerable vessels within the Area of Operations (AOO).
- Protected the delivery of more than 3 million tons of food and humanitarian aid to Somalia.
- Deterred, prevented, and repressed acts of piracy and armed robbery at sea in the AOO.
- Transferred 171 suspected pirates to competent authorities.
- Seized more than 15.9 tons of narcotics.
- Cooperated and responded to illicit maritime flows, including illicit trade financing terrorism.
- Supported the EU Integrated Approach for Somalia and the Horn of Africa together with its two EU sister missions, EUCAP Somalia and EU TM Somalia, the EU Delegation to Somalia and the EU Special Representative to the Horn of Africa.
- Acted as a fundamental tool in the EU's Naval Diplomacy for the Indo-Pacific.
- Cooperated and supported all international organizations, naval forces and independent deployers present in the Area of Operations, such as Combined Maritime Forces (CMF) and EMASOH.
- Provided a unique legal framework to transfer pirates to regional states for their prosecution.