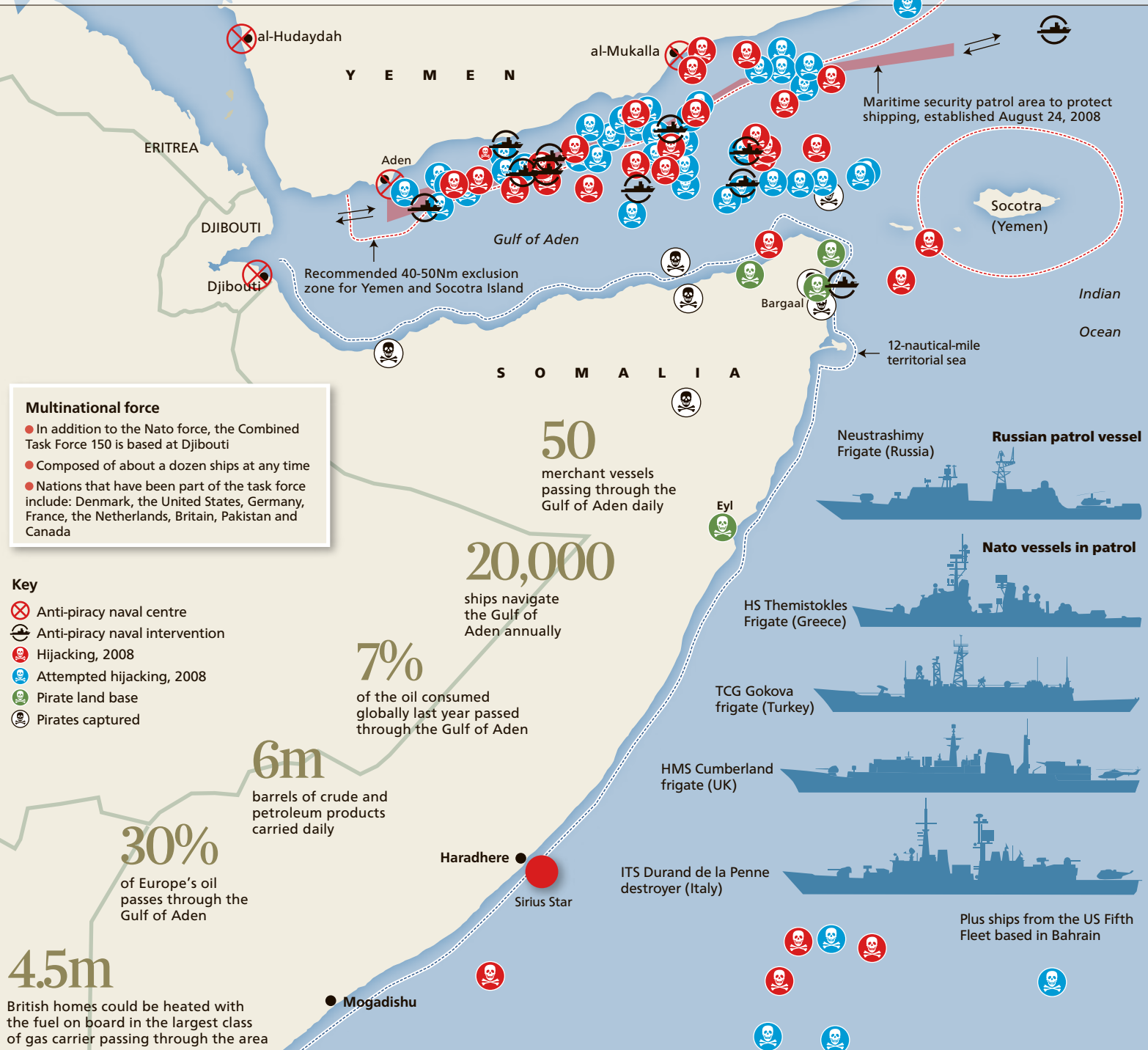


The world's most dangerous waters



Multinational force

- In addition to the Nato force, the Combined Task Force 150 is based at Djibouti
- Composed of about a dozen ships at any time
- Nations that have been part of the task force include: Denmark, the United States, Germany, France, the Netherlands, Britain, Pakistan and Canada

- Key**
- ⊗ Anti-piracy naval centre
 - ⊕ Anti-piracy naval intervention
 - Hijacking, 2008
 - Attempted hijacking, 2008
 - Pirate land base
 - Pirates captured

50
merchant vessels
passing through the
Gulf of Aden daily

20,000
ships navigate
the Gulf of
Aden annually

7%
of the oil consumed
globally last year passed
through the Gulf of Aden

6m
barrels of crude and
petroleum products
carried daily

30%
of Europe's oil
passes through the
Gulf of Aden

4.5m
British homes could be heated with
the fuel on board in the largest class
of gas carrier passing through the area



Plus ships from the US Fifth Fleet based in Bahrain