Fight Against Piracy within the Gulf of Guinea (The Gambia)

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Piracy is any illegal acts of violence or detention, or any act of depredation committed for private ship or private aircraft, and directed on the high seas against another ship/aircraft, persons/property on board the ship/aircraft in a place outside the jurisdiction of any state. (UNCLOS, Article 101)
Current Situation of Maritime Piracy in the Gambia
Causes of Maritime Piracy

- High Level of Unemployment
- Lack of Proper Legal Framework/No Legal Consequences
- Frustrated Fishermen
National Arrangements regarding Maritime Security

Legal Provision

- UNCLOS
- SUA Convention
- LOME Charter
- Yaounde Code of Conduct
- Merchant Shipping Act (enacted maritime security in the criminalisation of piracy)
- Legislation adopted and enforced in the fight against piracy
- Drafted Integration Maritime Strategy awaiting to be validated
National Arrangements regarding Maritime Security

Stakeholders

- Gambia Maritime Administration
- Ministry of Fisheries and Water Resources
- Gambia Navy
- Gambia Immigration Service
- Gambia Ports Authority
- Attorney Generals Department
Regional approach in the fight against Piracy

- SOLAS
- LOME Charter
- UNCLOS
- SUA Convention (1988)
- Yaounde Code of Conduct
Efforts made to Fight against Maritime Piracy

- The Gambia Navy has a Marine Operation Base Unit at the Port.

- Banjul Port Facilities
THANK YOU FOR LISTENING
ANY QUESTION???