U.S Flag Research Ships Anti-piracy/terrorism

- U.S Navy will come to assistance of U.S flag vessels experiencing unlawful attacks when and where assets are available
- U.S. Navy does not provide U.S flag research vessels with escorts or force protection assets
- Ship scheduling should take into account the general security of the intended area of deployment
- Ships Masters and crews should maintain a current situational awareness using best available info
- Ships may submit cruise plans and regular position report to appropriate Fleet Commanders for improved situational awareness and to facilitate response when warranted