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Контактная группа по борьбе с пиратством у берегов Сомали

IN COMMEMORATION OF GILES NOAKES



It is with great shock and sadness that the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS) Secretariat in Seychelles has learned of the sudden passing away of Giles Noakes.

The Secretariat worked closely with Giles for the Strategic Meeting and 19th Plenary Session held in Mumbai and Seychelles respectively last year.

A very hard working gentleman who headed the Maritime Security at Baltic and International Maritime Council (BIMCO) and a defender of the seafarers, Giles was always ready and prepared to move forward in the shipping industry.

Present at the Oceans Beyond Piracy (OBP) meetings held two weeks ago in the UK, I had the opportunity to meet with him and was looking forward to his participation at the 20th Plenary Session to be held in Mauritius in July. I was impressed by his sharp intellect, breadth of experience and deep knowledge on maritime security issues and the fight against piracy.

We at the Secretariat will miss him and extend our sincere condolences to his family.

May his soul rest in peace.

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