

# US military prevents Israel-linked tanker near Yemen from being seized

The U.S. military prevented a tanker from being seized in the Gulf of Aden, off the coast of Yemen, according to U.S. Central Command.

The *USS Mason* received a distress call from the Liberian-flagged *Central Park* tanker on Sunday. The distress signal informed U.S. and allied ships they were under attack by an unknown entity. When the United States and its allies arrived at the scene, they demanded the attackers release the vessel, which they did, and the perpetrators tried to flee but were apprehended.

“Upon arrival, coalition elements demanded release of the vessel,” CENTCOM said in a statement. “Subsequently, five armed individuals debarked the ship and attempted to flee via their small boat. The MASON pursued the attackers resulting in their eventual surrender. The crew of the M/V CENTRAL PARK is currently safe.”

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