

## [News story: Love for Lydia report published](#)

MAIB's report into the carbon monoxide poisoning on board the motor cruiser Love for Lydia on Wroxham Broad, England between 7 and 9 June 2016 resulting in two fatalities is now published.

MAIB statement:

The Marine Accident Investigation Branch has investigated four accidents in four years where seven people have tragically died as a result of carbon monoxide poisoning on boats.

Carbon monoxide is a silent killer and there are many sources of it on boats, including engines, cookers, heaters and even barbecues.

Today, we have made safety recommendations to the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, British Marine and the Boat Safety Scheme to increase awareness of the dangers and promote the fitting of carbon monoxide alarms.

For boaters, the message is clear: fit an alarm.

The report contains details of what happened, subsequent actions taken, and recommendations made.

### **Press enquiries**

Press enquiries during office hours 01932 440015

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## [News story: Secretary of State expresses sympathy to Ruddy family](#)

Earlier this evening, Mr Brokenshire commented:

This will be a desperately sad time for Mr Ruddy's family and loved ones. I would like to express my sympathy as steps are now taken to bring Seamus home.

My thoughts remain with all those families who are still awaiting the recovery of the remains of their loved ones.

Anyone with information that might help locate the other 'Disappeared' should get in contact – in strict confidence – with the Independent Commission for the Location of Victims Remains.

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## [News story: Looking ahead to the London Somalia Conference 2017](#)

On 11 May 2017, the UK will host a major international conference in London, to support the progress that Somalia has made over the last 5 years.

Ahead of the London Somalia Conference, regional experts Ambassador David Concar and Special Representative Nick Kay share their thoughts on progress in Somalia and the country's future:

### [Ambassador David Concar](#)

- Special Envoy to the Horn of Africa Nick Kay explains why it's important to keep Somalia on the international agenda

### [Special Representative Nick Cave](#)

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## [News story: Refocusing Public Health England](#)

The Health Improvement directorate will be made up of the following teams:

- Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco
- Diet and Obesity
- Health Equity and Mental Health
- Healthy People
- Screening and Quality Assurance
- Knowledge and Intelligence
- National Disease Registration
- Research, Translation and Innovation

Creating a Health Improvement directorate allows PHE to closer align surveillance, data, evidence and research capability with policy expertise.

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## Speech: Op-ed by Lord Mayor of City of London on his visit to Tunisia

Tunisia may be the smallest country in North Africa, but I think it has a big role to play in the region's economic development. Tunisia is an important partner for the United Kingdom in North Africa, and I am in Tunis this week to reaffirm the strong bilateral economic links that bind our two countries, as well as explore new ways that we can work more closely together.

As the Lord Mayor of the City of London I travel the world as the UK's financial and professional services ambassador looking for ways that the City of London, the world's leading financial centre, can develop closer links with our international partners.

When I began my year in office, visiting the dynamic, growing economies of North Africa was a key goal for me, as I believe that there are many opportunities for mutually beneficial growth and development. This is the second visit to Tunisia by a Lord Mayor in three years, highlighting the importance we place on further developing the already strong links between the UK and Tunisia.

Ahead of my arrival I heard great things about the Tunisian government's ambition to develop Tunis into a regional centre of excellence in financial services, and I fully support this ambition as I have seen first-hand how a burgeoning financial centre can bring prosperity to an entire generation. When I meet with government representatives I will certainly be discussing with them how the City of London can best support the development of Tunisia's financial sector.

I have also heard a great deal about the ambition in Tunisia to develop your capital city into a world-leading technical and digital hub. London is one of the world's leading centres for financial technology, or fintech, development, with more people working in the sector than in Silicon Valley. Mobile banking will be the future of banking, and as the world's leading financial centre we are looking forward, and working to usher in this new era of financial inclusion. I believe we can work very closely together in the digital and mobile payments sector.

Another exciting area of global growth in the financial services sector is the area of Islamic Finance. Islamic Finance has developed into an important new financial market, with the global Islamic Finance sector estimated to have assets worth around USD\$2 trillion, a figure which is expected to grow at around 20% a year over the next decade. The UK is the western world's

leader in Islamic Finance education, with over 70 institutions offering Islamic Finance courses, and 22 universities offering degrees specialising in Islamic Finance. As an educator I firmly believe that these courses will foster the next generation of finance professionals who will cement London's position as the western hub for Islamic Finance.

As a teacher by background I know that education is the best way to spur economic growth, and because of that I will be exploring ways we can expand the training we provide in the City of London to Tunisian stock brokers, providing valuable qualifications that allow them to work abroad. The goal however must be to have a strong domestic financial services offer so that talented Tunisians can train abroad, but return to the prospect of quality jobs at home. It is because of that goal that I am offering a Mansion House scholarship to a promising young Tunisian who is looking to study in the UK for a business related degree. I'm here in Tunisia because we in the City believe in the potential for growth in the Islamic Finance and fin-tech sectors in Tunis, with both a domestic and regional orientation. I think that this will attract investment and international business to Tunisia, and will help in the wider development of Tunis as an international financial centre, which we strongly support.

As we start the process of leaving the European Union it is now more important than ever that we deepen our business relationships across the world with valued partners such as Tunisia. The United Kingdom has always been a global trading nation, epitomised most strongly by the City of London, the world's leading financial centre. I believe that with support from the City's unique cluster of services Tunisia can see an era of strong growth that will benefit all Tunisians and I look forward to seeing Tunisia's continued development over the years to come.