

Strait of Hormuz incident: Foreign Secretary calls with French and German foreign ministers

The Foreign Secretary called both the French foreign minister Jean-Yves Le Drian, and the German foreign minister Heiko Maas today (21 July) to discuss the illegal detention of a British-flagged ship by Iranian forces in the Strait of Hormuz on Friday 19 July.

The Foreign Secretary thanked both foreign ministers for their countries' support and co-operation since the incident. Mr Le Drian and Mr Maas condemned the Iranian seizure of Stena Impero.

Both ministers agreed with the Foreign Secretary that safe passage for vessels through the Strait of Hormuz is a top priority for European nations, while avoiding any possible escalation in the region. They agreed to keep in close contact and to work together to achieve this.