

MARITIME SECURITY AND THE CONTROL OF DRUG TRAFFICKING ROUTES IN THE CARIBBEAN BASIN.

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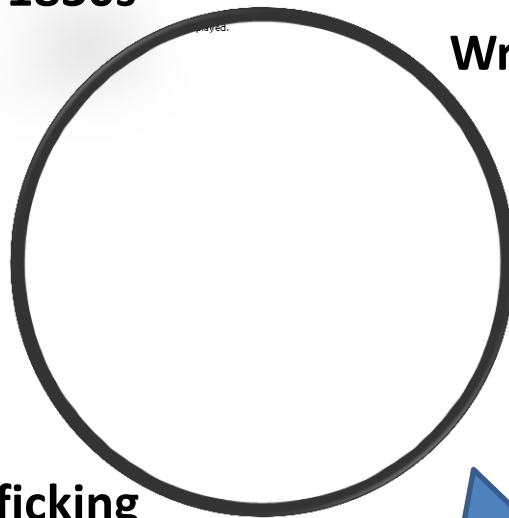
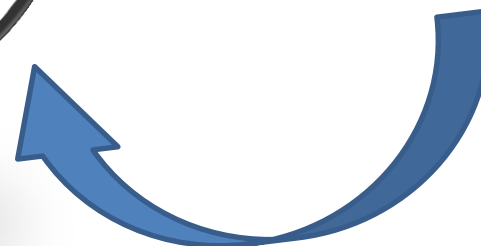
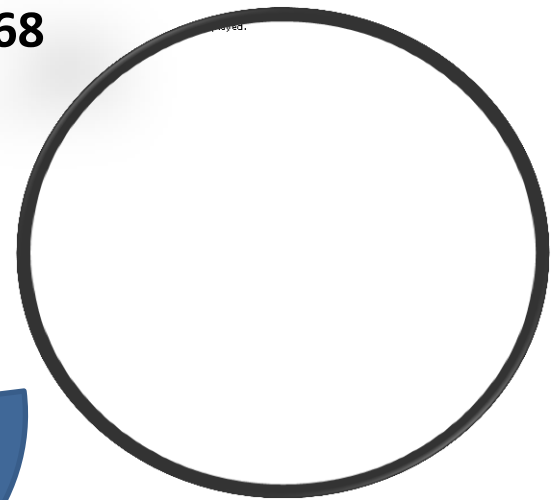
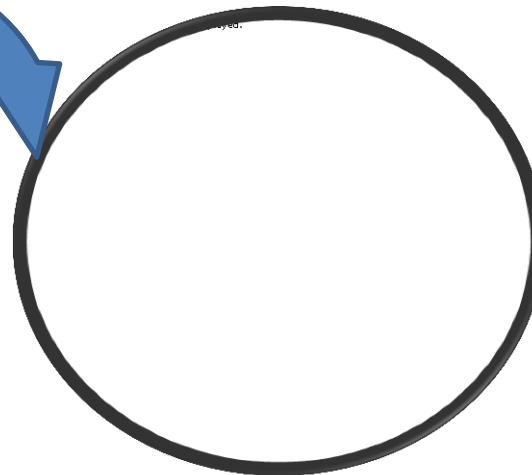
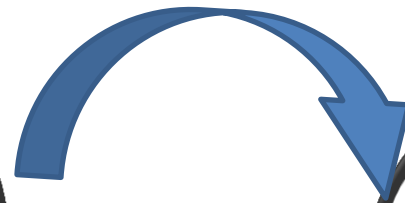
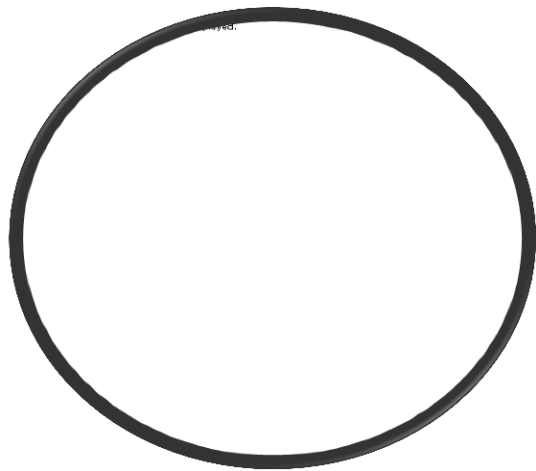
Caribbean Basin



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Historical Trends



Wrecking 1640s - 1868

Cocaine trafficking
1980s -

Bootlegging/Prohibition
1920 - 1933



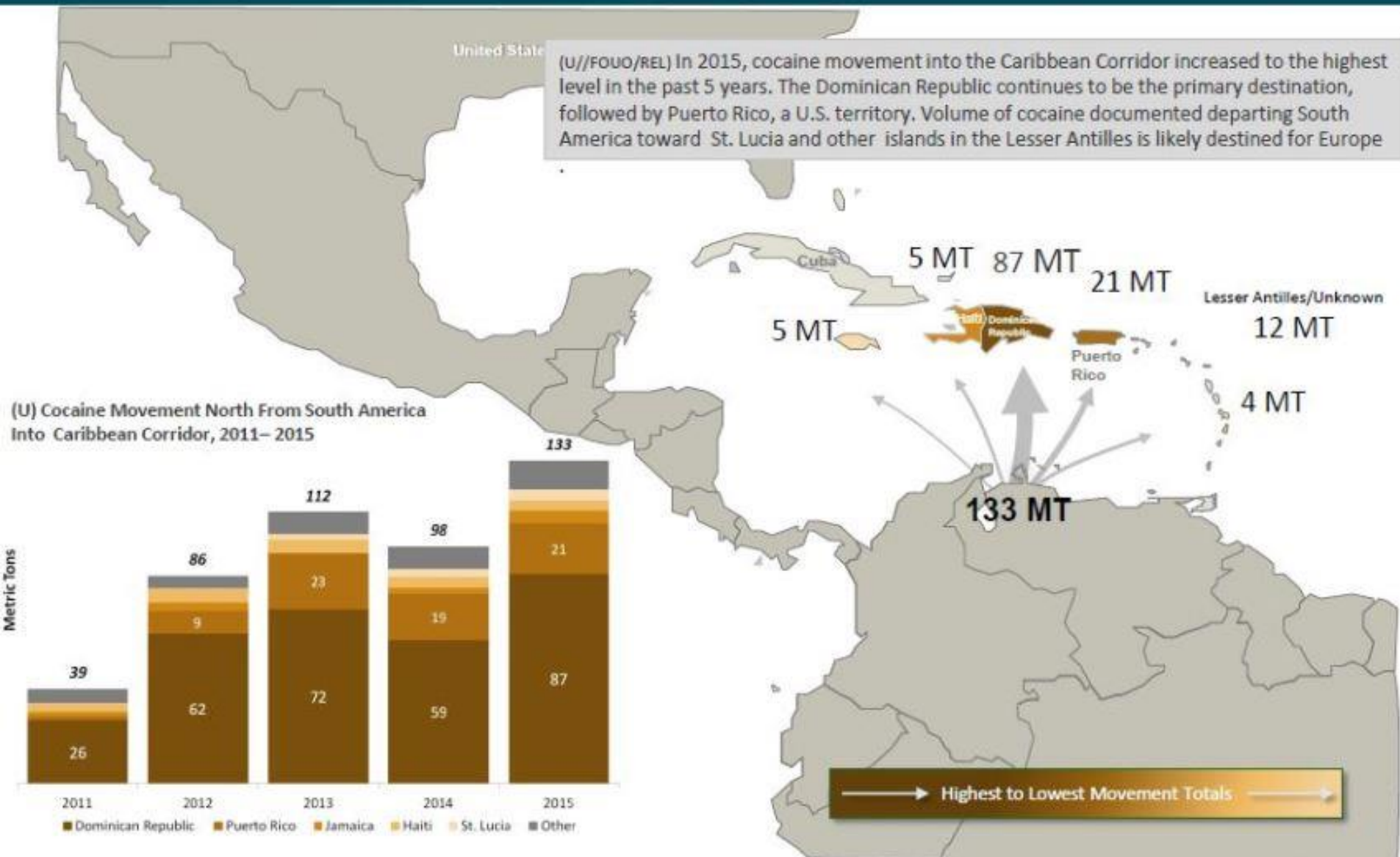
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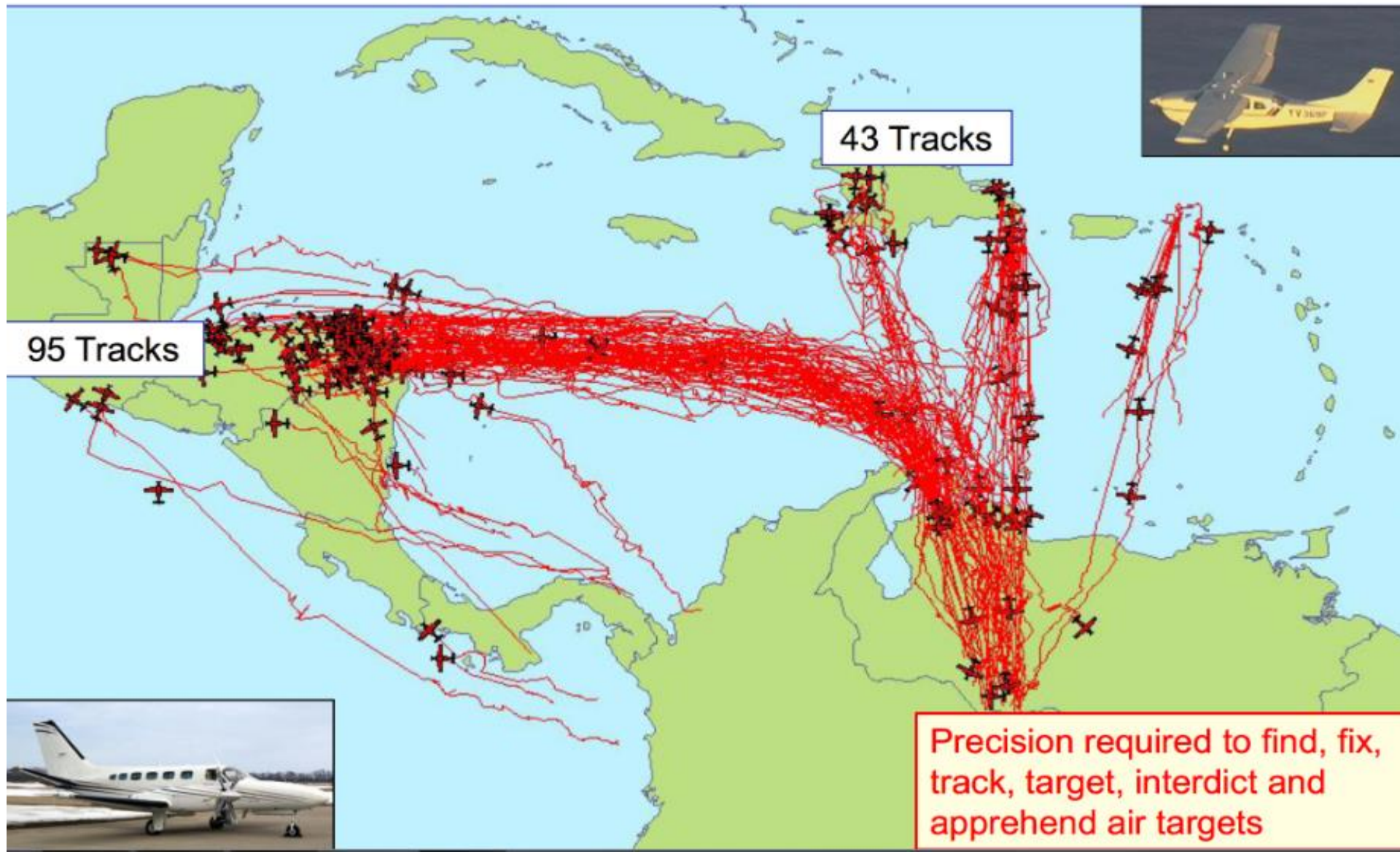


Cocaine Movement from South America to North America (2016) source: US DEA

(U) Movement North From South America

(U) Caribbean Corridor 2011–2015







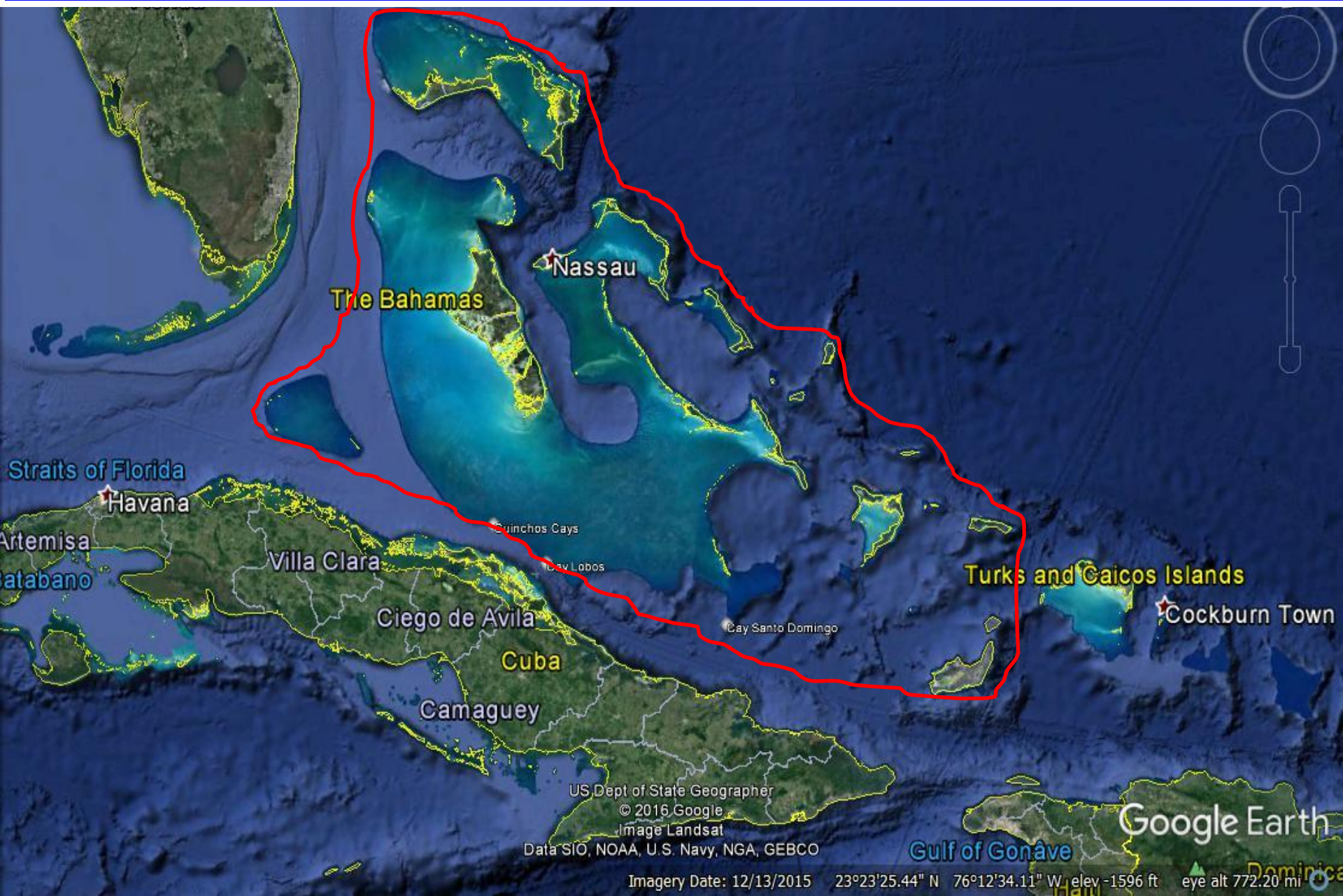
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Suspected Maritime Activity (2010)

US Southern Command







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Maritime Threats



Drug Smuggling



Small Arms, Light Weapons & Ammunition Smuggling

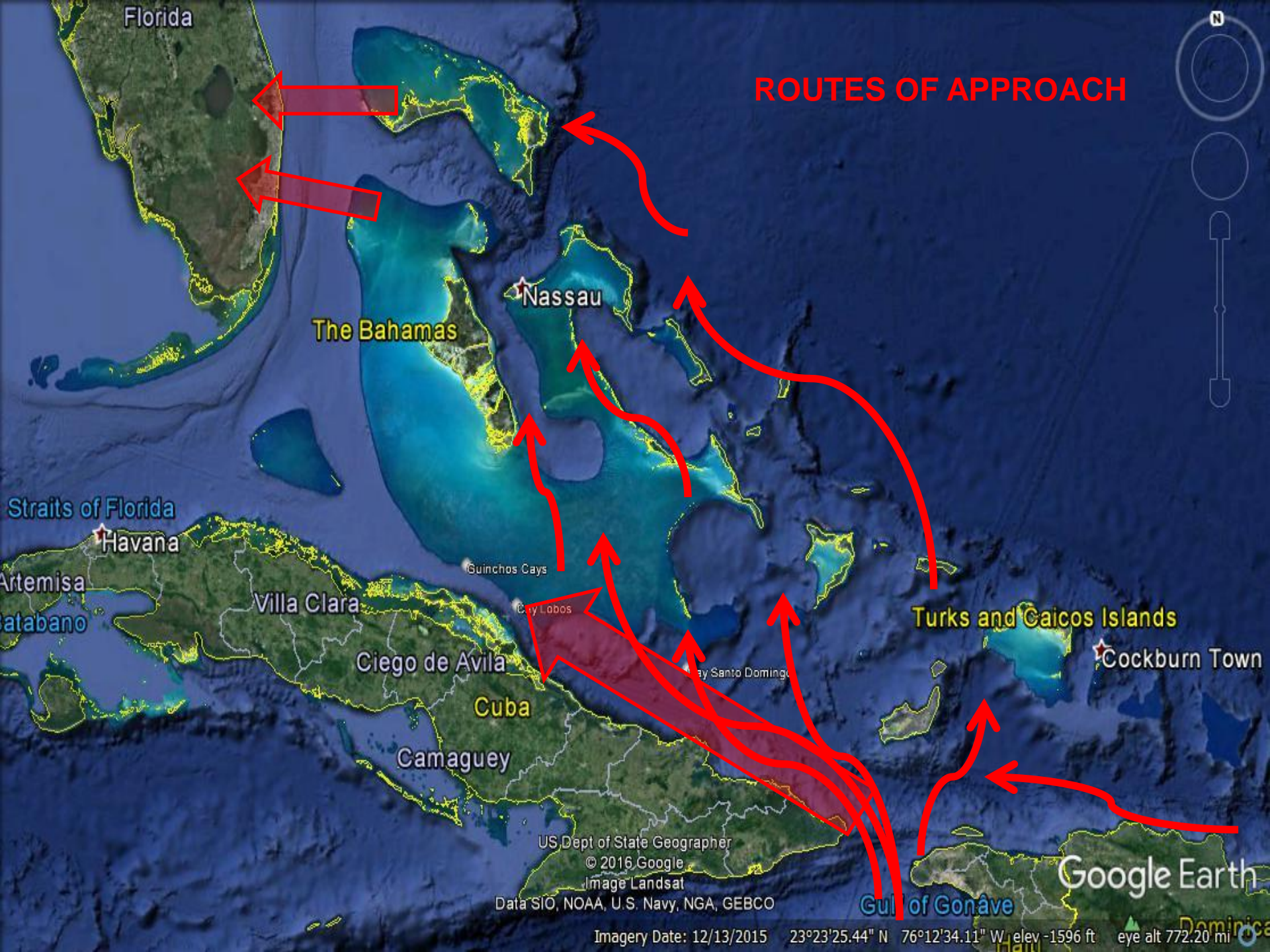
Poaching/ Illegal Fishing

Maritime Terrorism

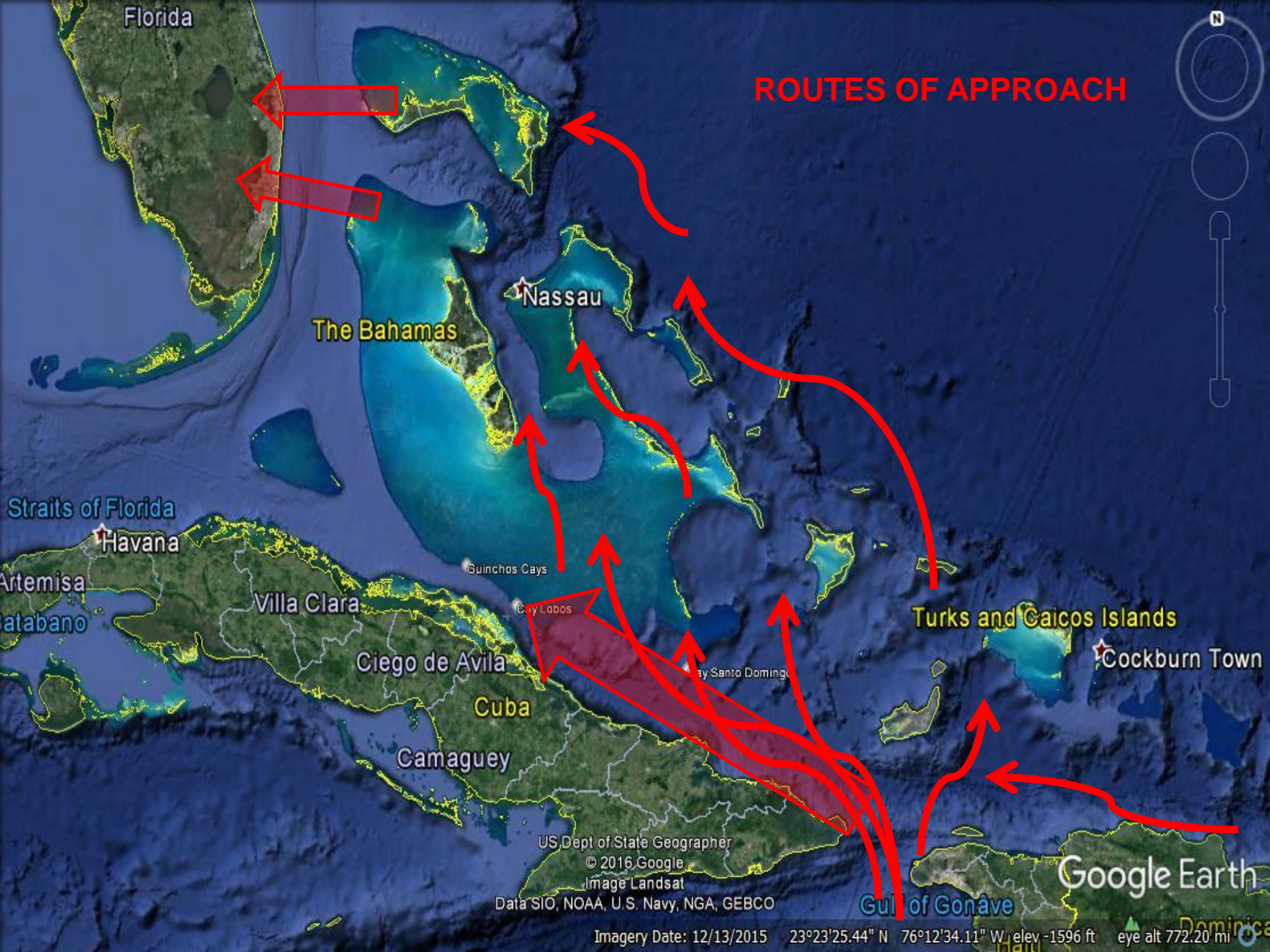
Migrant Smuggling

Natural Disaster





ROUTES OF APPROACH



Florida

The Bahamas

Nassau

Straits of Florida

Havana

Artemisa
Matanzas

Villa Clara

Ciego de Avila

Cuba

Camaguey

Guinchos Cays

Cayo Lobos

Cayo Santo Domingo

Turks and Caicos Islands

Cockburn Town

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Gulf of Gonave

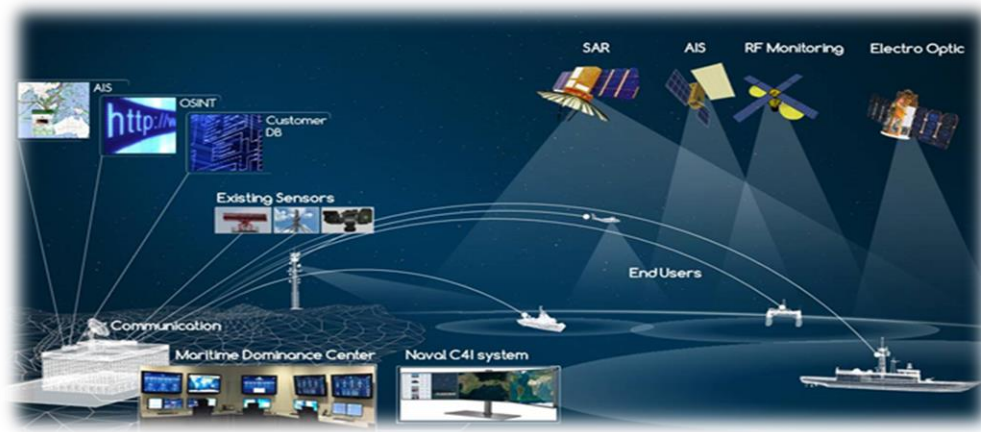
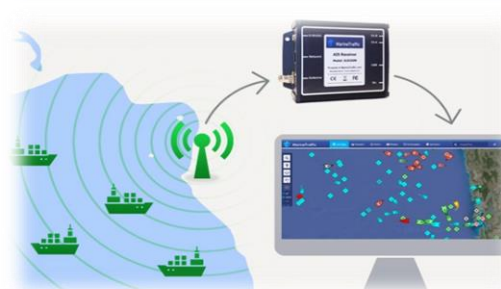
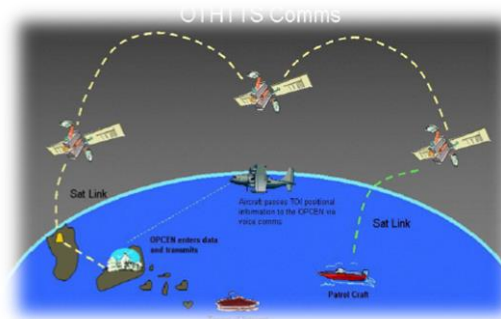
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eye alt 772.20 mi

- Maritime Domain Awareness
 - OTHTTTS
 - AIS
 - UAV Program
 - Coastal Radar Program
 - Nano SAT
 - Mototrbo
- Communication system



- Partnerships
 - Interagency
 - Regional
- Harmonization of legal framework
 - Legalization? (Cuba)
- Information Sharing
 - Secure shared platform (CSII, APAN)



- Joint Training
 - Tradewinds
 - Marlin Shield
- Agreements, MOUs,
 - Bilateral
 - Bahamas - Cuba
 - Bahamas - Haiti
 - Tri-party
 - USA-Bahamas-Turks & Caicos

