Activities of Japanese P-3C Patrol Aircraft
Dispatched for Anti-Piracy Operations
(March 2010)
(Provisional Translation)

1. Record of Mission (1 March – 31 March)
   - Number of flights: 24 flights
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: 183 flights)
   - Flight hours: approximately 190 hours
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: approximately 1,440 hours)
   - Number of visually confirmed commercial ships: approximately 1,500 ships
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: approximately 12,300 ships)
   - Number of times information was provided to Japanese destroyers, foreign warships, and/or commercial ships: approximately 250 times
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: approximately 1,400 times)

2. Instances of when Japanese P-3Cs provided information to other nations’ warships and/or commercial ships

   - On 24 March, a Japanese P-3C was engaged in patrol operations when it received information from relevant organizations regarding the presence of three small ships that had attacked a commercial ship, and therefore the P-3C investigated the area. Though the P-3C was unable to identify those ships, it confirmed the location of a group of fishing vessels, in which the three small ships could be present. The P-3C reported this to nearby warships and returned to patrol operations.