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

1. Record of Mission (1 May – 31 May)
   • Number of flights: 25 flights
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: 233 flights)
   • Flight hours: approximately 190 hours
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: approximately 1,820 hours)
   • Number of visually confirmed commercial ships: approximately 1,600 ships
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: approximately 15,600 ships)
   • Number of times information was provided to Japanese destroyers, foreign warships, and/or commercial ships: approximately 200 times
     (Accumulated total since June 2009: approximately 1,850 times)

2. Instances of when Japanese P-3Cs provided information to other nations’ warships and/or commercial ships
   • On 15 May, a Japanese P-3C was engaged in patrol operations when it detected a suspicious small-sized anchored boat on the Internationally Recommended Transit Corridor (photograph). It carried two outboard engines and an item or items hidden under a plastic cover. The P-3C reported as such to nearby warships. An Italian warship took over surveillance activities and the P-3C returned to patrol operations.