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Escort operations performed by MSDF units (Deployed Maritime Units) off the coast of Somalia and in the Gulf of Aden

Record of Mission (As of March, 2014)

1. Direct Escort

(1) Number of direct escort operations: 8 times (543th – 550th)

(The 502th – 509th escort operation under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)

(2) Number of escorted vessels: 31 vessels

(AT of 3,275 escorted vessels since the start of operations under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)

[Breakdown]

– Japanese-registered ships: 0 (AT: 15)

– Foreign ships operated by Japanese shipping companies: 6 (AT: 600)

– Foreign ships other than above: 25 (AT: 2,660)

*The above record does not include the 1st – 41st escort operation performed as Maritime Security Activities.

(3) For more details of each mission, see the attached file.

2. Zone Defense

(1) Number of days: 21 (AT: 75 days)

(2) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 850 (AT: 3,010 vessels)

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(JS "SAMIDARE" and JS "SAZANAMI")

Mission No. (Mission No. under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)	543 (502)	544 (503)	545 (504)	546 (505)	547 (506)	548 (507)	549 (508)	550 (509)	(Total)
Date and time (JST)									/
start	Mar. 3 AM	Mar. 8 PM	Mar. 11 AM	Mar. 13 PM	Mar.18 PM	Mar. 21 AM	Mar. 23 PM	Mar. 26 PM	
end	Mar. 4 PM	Mar. 10 AM	Mar. 12 PM	Mar.15 AM	Mar.20 PM	Mar. 23 AM	Mar. 26 AM	Mar. 28 AM	
Total Number	3	4	6	3	1	2	6	6	31
Japanese-registered ships	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tanker									
Container									
LPG Tanker									
LNG Tanker									
General cargo ship									
Exclusive cargo ship									
Pure car carrier									
Passenger ship									
Foreign ships operated by Japanese shipping companies	1	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	6
Tanker			(2)	(1)			(1)		(4)
Container			(1)						(1)
LPG Tanker									
LNG Tanker									
General cargo ship									
Exclusive cargo ship	(1)								(1)
Pure car carrier									
Passenger ship									
Foreign ships other than above	2	4	3	2	1	2	5	6	25
Tanker	(2)	(2)	(2)	(1)			(2)	(3)	(12)
Container									
LPG Tanker									
LNG Tanker								(1)	(1)
General cargo ship		(2)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(12)
Exclusive cargo ship									
Pure car carrier									
Passenger ship									

※ Total numbers presented in the () is the accumulated total of Japanese-registered ships, Foreign ships operated by Japanese shipping companies, and Foreign ships other than above.