

# JOINT STAFF PRESS RELEASE



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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 September, 2014)

## 1. Direct Escort

(1) Number of direct escort operations: 8 times (593th – 600th)

(The 552th – 559th escort operation under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)

(2) Number of escorted vessels: 22 vessels

(AT of 3,435 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: 5 (AT: 632)

– Foreign ships other than above: 17 (AT: 2,788)

\*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 A.

## 2. Zone Defense

(1) Number of days: 26 (AT: 206 days)

(2) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 510 (AT: 6,840 vessels)

### CORRECTIONS

On the press release of "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 December 2013, January, February, April, May, June and August 2014)", the number of days of Zone Defense and commercial vessels confirmed are incorrect. Correct numbers are shown on attached file B.

**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 September, 2014)**

(JS "TAKANAMI" and JS "ONAMI")

Mission No. (Mission No. under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)	593 (552)	594 (553)	595 (554)	596 (555)	597 (556)	598 (557)	599 (558)	600 (559)			(Total)
Date and time (JST)											/
	start	Aug. 30, PM	Sep. 1, PM	Sep. 4, AM	Sep. 11, PM	Sep. 13, PM	Sep. 16, PM	Sep. 24, PM	Sep. 27, AM		
	end	Sep. 1, AM	Sep. 3, PM	Sep. 6, AM	Sep. 13, PM	Sep. 15, PM	Sep. 18, PM	Sep. 26, PM	Sep. 28, PM		
<b>Total Number</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>22</b>
<b>Japanese-registered ships</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
Tanker											
Container											
LPG Tanker											
LNG Tanker											
General cargo ship											
Exclusive cargo ship											
Pure car carrier											
Passenger ship											
<b>Foreign ships operated by Japanese shipping companies</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>5</b>
Tanker				(1)		(1)		(2)			(4)
Container											
LPG Tanker											
LNG Tanker											
General cargo ship					(1)						(1)
Exclusive cargo ship											
Pure car carrier											
Passenger ship											
<b>Foreign ships other than above</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>17</b>
Tanker	(3)		(2)	(2)			(1)				(8)
Container											
LPG Tanker											
LNG Tanker											
General cargo ship	(2)	(2)	(1)					(2)			(7)
Exclusive cargo ship							(1)				(1)
Pure car carrier											
Passenger ship								(1)			(1)

※ 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.

## Correct numbers of the number of days of Zone Defense and commercial vessels confirmed

Month	Error	Correct
December 2013	Number of days: 17 (AT: 17 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 880 (AT: 880 vessels)	Number of days: 18 (AT: 18 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 810 (AT: 810 vessels)
January 2014	Number of days: 21 (AT: 38 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 650 (AT: 1,530 vessels)	Number of days: 20 (AT: 38 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 740 (AT: 1,550 vessels)
February 2014	Number of days: 16 (AT: 54 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 630 (AT: 2,160 vessels)	Number of days: 16 (AT: 54 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 610 (AT: 2,160 vessels)
April 2014	Number of days: 20 (AT: 95 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 740 (AT: 3,750 vessels)	Number of days: 20 (AT: 95 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 750 (AT: 3,760 vessels)
May 2014	Number of days: 22 (AT: 117 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 850 (AT: 4,600 vessels)	Number of days: 22 (AT: 117 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 890 (AT: 4,650 vessels)
June 2014	Number of days: 23 (AT: 140 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 670 (AT: 5,270 vessels)	Number of days: 23 (AT: 140 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 620 (AT: 5,270 vessels)
August 2014	Number of days: 21 (AT: 179 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 570 (AT: 6,330 vessels)	Number of days: 22 (AT: 180 days) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 570 (AT: 6,330 vessels)