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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, 2016)

1. Direct Escort

- (1) Number of direct escort operations: 8 times (745th 752th)

 (The 704th 711th escort operation under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)
- (2) Number of escorted vessels: 14 vessels (AT of 3,731 escorted vessels since the start of operations under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)

[Breakdown]

- Japanese-registered ships: 0 (AT: 17)
- Foreign ships operated by Japanese shipping companies: 1 (AT: 668)
- Foreign ships other than above: 13 (AT: 3,046)
 - *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: 27 (AT: 817 days)
- (2) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: Approx. 90 (AT: 13,490 vessels)

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Misson No. (Mission No. under Japan's Anti-Piracy Measures Law)		745	746	747	748	749	750	751	752	(-)
		(704)	(705)	(706)	(707)	(708)	(709)	(710)	(711)	(Total)
Date and time (JST)										
	start	AUG. 31, PM	SEP. 3, PM	SEP. 5, PM	SEP. 8, PM	SEP. 12, PM	SEP. 20, PM	SEP. 23, PM	SEP. 27, PM	
	end	SEP. 2, AM	SEP. 5, PM	SEP. 8, AM	SEP. 10, AM			SEP. 25, AM		
Total Number		2	1	2	4	1	2	1	1	14
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	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Tanker	(1)								(1)
	Container									
	LPG Tanker									
	LNG Tanker									
	General cargo ship									
	Exclusive cargo ship									
	Pure car carrier									
	Passenger ship									
Foreign ships other than above		1	1	2	4	1	2	1	1	13
	Tanker	(1)	(1)		(1)		(1)	(1)	(1)	(6)
	Container									
	LPG Tanker									
	LNG Tanker									
	General cargo ship			(2)	(2)	(1)	(1)			(6)
	Exclusive cargo ship									
	Pure car carrier									
	Passenger ship				(1)					(1)

X 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.