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Information Gathering Activities by the SDF Necessary for Ensuring the Safety of Japan-Related Vessels in the Middle East (MAR 2022)

1. Status of Activity Area

No abnormalities confirmed in the areas where the SDF operated

2. JS SAMIDARE (Deployment Surface Force for Counter-Piracy Enforcement)

(1) Area of Activity: the high seas of the Gulf of Oman and the high seas of the northern Arabian sea

(2) Number of confirmed vessels: 26 ships (Accumulated Total (AT): 79,433 ships)

* Since JS SAMIDARE, which is in operation, was dispatched, the Deployment Surface Force for Counter Piracy Enforcement has engaged in both counter-piracy operations and information gathering activities.

3. P-3C (Deployment Air Force for Counter-Piracy Enforcement)

(1) Area of Activity: the high seas of Gulf of Aden and the high seas of the western part of the northern Arabian Sea

(2) Number of confirmed vessels: 1,824 ships (AT: 45,426 ships)



P-3C crew watching a vessel



JS "SAMIDARE" crew checking the aircraft after mission flight