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Maritime operations as the Counter-Piracy Operation off the Coast of Somalia and in the Gulf of Aden (APR 2026)

## Record of Mission

### 1. Direct Escort

(1) Number of direct escort operations: 0

(2) Number of escorted vessels: 0

(Accumulated Total (AT) of 3,955 escorted vessels since the start of operations under the Counter-Piracy Measures Law)

#### [Breakdown]

- Japanese-registered ships: 0 (AT: 26)

- Foreign ships operated by Japanese shipping companies: 0 (AT: 701)

(Foreign ships which carry Japanese nationals: 0 (AT: 51))

- Foreign ships other than above: 0 (AT: 3,228)

(Foreign ships which carry Japanese nationals: 0 (AT: 31))

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

### 2. Zone Defense

(1) Number of days: 12 days (AT: 3,156 days)

(2) Number of commercial vessels confirmed: 112 vessels (AT: 35,994 vessels)

### 3. Action in Response to Incidents

None in particular.



JS "YUDACHI" crew on duty



JS "YUDACHI" shipboard helicopter on duty