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REPORT TO THE NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
CONCERNING U.S. COAST GUARD MFCMA ENFORCEMENT

1. Recent MFCMA infractions. Since the last council meeting six reports of violation (civil penalty procedures) and ten citations (written warnings) have been issued. In addition, four foreign fishing vessels were seized for severe MFCMA infractions. A brief summary of the major infractions follows.

a. 28 March. USCGC STORIS seized the Japanese cargo ship HIYO MARU in the central Bering Sea for gross logging violations. An inspection of HIYO MARU's holds uncovered several apparent discrepancies between the vessel's transfer log and the hold contents initially counted by the boarding party. An exact count of the contents of one hold found thirty metric tons of sablefish not listed in any transfer log or on invoices listing the amount of product received from other vessels. The remaining three holds were too large and full for a complete species inventory. HIYO MARU is the first transport ship, and the largest ship, seized under the MFCMA.

The Chief Officer of HIYO MARU claimed that the unlogged sablefish had been transferred one week earlier from the Japanese stern trawler TOMI MARU No. 83. TOMI MARU NO. 83 rendezvoused with HIYO MARU and STORIS in the central Bering Sea and was boarded by Coast Guard personnel. The boarding party from STORIS discovered daily fishing logs and Daily Cumulative Catch Logs (DCCL) that appeared to have been deliberately altered to conform with a new transfer report also presented by the vessel to the boarding party. TOMI MARU NO. 83 was seized on 29 March as a result of the obvious attempts to disguise the unreported transfer of 30 MT of sablefish.

b. 29 March. CCGDSEVENTEEN (oil) issued a citation to the Japanese stern trawler TOMI MARU No. 58 for failure to submit the required activity message twenty-four hours prior to ceasing fishing activity while checked into the Fishery Conservation Zone.

c. 30 March. USCGC MUNRO issued a report of violation to the Japanese stern trawler HAMAZEN MARU NO. 35 for failure to maintain the accuracy of its Daily Cumulative Catch Log (DCCL). The inaccuracy in the DCCL was discovered when the boarding party

c. (cont'd) determined that the vessel had frequently used a product recovery rate (PRR) for Pacific cod consistently higher than actually produced. Although the vessel had only fished for seventeen days, further use of a PRR higher than actually existed would have developed into a potentially serious underlog for that species.

d. In April, CCGDSEVENTEEN (oil) issued individual citations to the following foreign fishing vessels for failure to submit the required activity messages twenty-four hours prior to beginning or ceasing fishing activity while checked into the Fishery Conservation Zone:

LUCHEZARNYI
RYUHO MARU NO. 37

TAISEI MARU NO. 16
DAIKICHI MARU NO. 32

e. 1 April. USCGC MUNRO issued one report of violation and two citations to the Japanese medium stern trawler HOKKO MARU NO. 77. A report of violation was issued for failure to maintain the accuracy of its Daily Cumulative Catch Log (DCCL). The violation was based on a discrepancy discovered between the block weight assumed by the ship and the block weight determined by the boarding team. A separate citation was issued for failure to properly add catch totals in the DCCL. A citation was also issued for failure to provide a safe ladder for the boarding party.

f. 14 April. USCGC VENTUROUS issued a report of violation to the South Korean longliner NO. 201 O DAE YANG for failure to maintain the accuracy of its Daily Cumulative Catch Log (DCCL). The violation was based on a discrepancy discovered between the block weight assumed by the ship and the block weight determined by the boarding team. The discrepancy resulted in an underlog of two metric tons of sablefish.

g. 16 April. USCGC VENTUROUS issued three reports of violation to the Japanese longliner RYUSHO MARU NO. 18 for failure to maintain the accuracy of its Daily Cumulative Catch Log (DCCL). The vessel failed to log the round weight of Pacific cod that had been caught or discarded on three separate days. The report of violation was based on the statement of a National Marine Fisheries Service observer that had been onboard RYUSHO MARU NO. 18 during the period when the vessel failed to log its catch.

h. 17 April. USCGC BOUTWELL issued two citations to the South Korean stern trawler KYUNG YANG HO for failure to maintain the accuracy of its Daily Cumulative Catch Log (DCCL). The inaccuracies in logkeeping occurred when the vessel mislogged its catch of pollock for two separate periods. The inaccuracy resulted in a six metric ton underlog of pollock.

i. 9 May. USCGC RUSH issued a citation to the South Korean stern trawler NO. 70 OYANG HO for failure to begin fishing activity at the time and in the position indicated in its submitted activity message.

j. 11 May. USCGC RUSH seized the Japanese stern trawler YURYO MARU NO. 31 in the central Bering Sea for grossly underlogging its catch of Pacific cod. Coast Guard boarding efforts confirmed the product recovery rate (PRR) determined by the National Marine Fisheries Service observer that was onboard YURYO MARU NO. 31. The PRR obtained by the observer was significantly less than the rate used by the vessel. Continued use of the inaccurate PRR would have resulted in further degradation to effective resource management efforts.

k. 11 May. USCGC CAPE HATTERAS seized the Canadian fishing vessel CASSIAR NO. 67 in the vicinity of Dixon Entrance for fishing within the U.S. Fishery Conservation Zone without a valid permit. The vessel was sighted fishing north of the disputed boundary in waters clearly recognized by Canada and the U.S. as under U.S. jurisdiction for fishery management. The boarding party found 2000 pounds of halibut and forty pounds of black cod onboard the vessel.

2. U.S. Coast Guard enforcement effort. U.S. Coast Guard enforcement effort for 1983 has totaled 294 cutter patrol days and 709 aircraft patrol hours for over 90,000 patrol miles. Additional patrol effort analysis is included in the following enclosures.

Enclosure: (1) U.S. Coast Guard Patrol Effort
(2) Analysis of Boardings and Enforcement Incidents
(3) Surveillance Standard Analysis for Independent Fishing Vessels
(4) Boarding Standard Analysis for Independent Fishing Vessels

U.S. COAST GUARD PATROL EFFORT (1983)

	CUTTER PATROL DAYS	AIRCRAFT PATROL HOURS	MILES PATROLLED	FISHING VESSEL IDENTIFICATIONS								FISHING VESSEL BOARDINGS							
				JA	KS	PL	TW	GE	UR	CA	TOTAL	JA	KS	PL	TW	GE	UR	CA	TOTAL
JANUARY	46	157	25817	165	103	00	00	03	25	00	296	09	04	00	00	00	00	00	13
FEBRUARY	60	164	32093	252	76	00	00	01	16	00	345	15	04	00	00	00	00	00	19
MARCH	87	186	14360	353	65	00	00	00	05	00	423	34	03	00	00	00	02	00	39
APRIL	77	121	12901	281	58	00	00	00	04	00	343	10	05	00	00	00	00	00	15
MAY (through 5-20)	24	81	4884	146	25	00	00	00	04	01	176	21	01	00	00	00	00	01	23

ANALYSIS OF BOARDING AND ENFORCEMENT INCIDENTS
FOR 1983
(BOARDINGS/INCIDENTS) *

	JA	UR	KS	PL	TW	GE	CA	ALL	%BOARDINGS RESULTING IN INCIDENT
JAN	9/0	0/0	4/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	13/0	0
FEB	15/3	0/0	4/7	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	19/10	53
MAR	34/3	2/0	3/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	39/3	8
APR	10/6	0/0	5/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	15/9	60
MAY (through 5/20)	21/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	23/3	13
Cumulative Total	89/13	2/0	17/11	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	109/25	23

* NOTE: RATIO DOES NOT INCLUDE INFRACTIONS DETECTED BY MEANS OTHER THAN BOARDING.

SURVEILLANCE STANDARD ANALYSIS FOR INDEPENDENT
FOREIGN FISHING VESSELS (FFV) FOR 1983

TIME PERIOD	NUMBER OF FFV ON GROUNDS FOR ENTIRE PERIOD	NUMBER OF FFV ON GROUNDS FOR ENTIRE PERIOD THAT WERE SIGHTED	%SIGHTED
01 JAN - 24 JAN	94	55	56
25 JAN - 07 FEB	117	60	51
08 FEB - 21 FEB	163	74	45
22 FEB - 07 MAR	143	83	58
08 MAR - 21 MAR	127	77	61
22 MAR - 04 APR	111	92	83
05 APR - 18 APR	102	49	48
19 APR - 02 MAY	101	48	47
03 MAY - 20 MAY	106	95	90

BOARDING STANDARD ANALYSIS FOR INDEPENDENT
FOREIGN FISHING VESSELS FOR 1983 *

MONTH	GOAL	ACTUAL BOARDINGS	%ACHIEVED
JANUARY	30	13	43
FEBRUARY	45	19	42
MARCH	48	39	81
APRIL	35	15	43
MAY (through 5-20)	18	23	100
Cumulative Total	176	109	62

NOTE: BOARDING GOAL IS TO BOARD EVERY INDEPENDENT FOREIGN FISHING
VESSEL ONCE EVERY TWELVE WEEKS.