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Shoshin maru # 21

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SEIZURE

On Monday, 8 September 1980, while on a routine flight in the Bering Sea 120 miles southwest of the Pribilof Islands, MUNRO's helicopter sighted the Japanese medium sterntrawler SHOSHIN MARU NO. 21. MUNRO proceeded to the vessel's position and a boarding party lead by boarding officers ENS D. STURDIVANT, ENS K. LOUITTIT went aboard in the mid-afternoon. The hold party lead by ENS A. CALLWOOD and BMC SMOTHERMAN, and consisting of ST1 J. HOSTETTER, FT2 FREDREGILL and QM2 CRAMPTON found that the 150' 350 ton vessel had very little fish on board, which was confirmed by the boarding officers who had checked the vessel's records. While the boarding officers examined the vessel's records and ensured that she complied with the paperwork requirements of the FCMA, the hold party commenced the hard cold work in the freezer holds.