

RUSH Boards 24 Boats in 14 Days



Though the fisheries portion of the patrol was not very long, RUSH crewmembers made a total of 24 boardings in 14 days. Some days there were as many as three boardings made. Though some were short, the tempo of operations was much higher than the average on RUSH.

Because RUSH found herself in the middle of the fishing fleet, the normal boarding parties were not enough to thoroughly inventory holds, and volunteers for the parties were sought. Anyone onboard wishing to experience a boarding first hand certainly had the opportunity. A Chief and First Class were required to go with each party. This decision caused a little discontent among people at first, but soon operations were run-

ning smoothly with people volunteering before individuals had to be appointed.

The boardings themselves took on an added interest as the visit to Japan made crew members more sensitive to the culture of the fishermen. One Korean boat had a RUSH Welcome Aboard pamphlet on the bridge that one of the Koreans had gotten touring RUSH in Kushiro while his Korean ship was in Japan.

The following people comprised the majority of the boarding parties: LT Cascardi, LTJG Sackler, LTJG Moeze, ENS Campbell, ENS Callahan, RDC Hawkins, FT1 Callicutt, QM1 Sivley, RD1 Voss, SS3 Wood, ET3 Overton, GM3 Carn, SA Cheshire, SN Swikehardt, and SN Himmler.



Above: SNST Finn weighs the outcome of taking boarding over berthing cleanups.



Top, center: Bang! We're dead. Lowering detail relaxing waiting for the boat.

Above: Some of the trips in the boat were pretty crowded.