JCG’s Countermeasures against Piracy

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   .1 Law enforcement in territorial waters, EEZ and high seas, including crackdown on “Piracy cases”, in accordance with domestic and international law
   .2 Maintaining security at sea including counter terrorism

2. Ensuring Maritime Traffic Safety

3. Search and Rescue at Sea

4. Prevention of Maritime Pollution and Disaster

5. Cooperation with Domestic / Foreign Authorities
Status of JCG Officials in Law Enforcement

JCG officials have “judicial jurisdiction” on maritime crimes including “piracy”.

- Arrest suspects
- Gather evidence
- Question suspects
- Prepare documents
- Send suspects to prosecutors

JCG officers conducting training of piracy suspect handling
Establishment of Anti-Piracy Laws

- Enactment of the "Anti-Piracy Measures Law"
  - The law was passed on 19 June 2009 and came into effect on 24 July 2009.
    - Enables JMSDF and JCG to protect any ship regardless of its flag.

- "Act of Special Measures Concerning for Guarding Japanese Ships in Pirate-Infested Waters"
  - The law was passed on 13 Nov. 2013 and came into effect on 30, Nov. 2013.
    - Stipulates exception to the "Firearms and Swords Control Law"
    - Enables PCASPs to protect the Japanese oil tankers sailing in Pirate-Infested Waters.
## JCG’s Basic Strategy of Countermeasures

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II. JCG’s Efforts to Combat Piracy in South East Asia
Law Enforcement Capacity Building Program Overseas

- **Philippines** (Total of 240 dispatched since 1984)
  JCG officers as JICA Long-term/Short-term experts to
  - Philippine Coast Guard

- **Indonesia** (Total of 200 dispatched since 1969)
  JCG officers as JICA Long-term/Short-term experts to
  - Maritime Security Coordination Board
  - Maritime Bureau, Ministry of Transportation

- **Malaysia** (Total of 80 dispatched since 1981)
  JCG officers as JICA Long-term/Short-term experts to
  - Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency
Law Enforcement Capacity Building Program in Japan
JICA Maritime Law Enforcement Training Course since 2001
Capacity Building Assistance to South East Asian Countries

Number of Patrol Vessels and Aircraft Dispatched since 2000 (as of FY 2013)

- Thailand
- Vietnam
- Brunei
- Indonesia
- Philippines
- Malaysia
- Singapore
- India
- Japan Coast Guard
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Cooperation within the framework of ReCAAP

- Japan is sending two personnel to the Information Sharing Center of ReCAAP. One of them is from JCG.

- JCG is the ReCAAP Focal Point in Japan.

ReCAAP: Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia
III. JCG’s Efforts to Combat Piracy off the Coast of Somalia
Japan has been deploying two JMSDF ships to the Gulf of Aden since March 2009.

JCG Piracy Investigation Teams have been on board the JMSDF ships to carry out judicial police activities in the event of piracy attacks.
Participation of New Members in JICA Maritime Law Enforcement Training Course since 2009

- FY 2009: Kenya, Oman, Tanzania, Yemen
- FY 2010: Djibouti, Oman, Yemen
- FY 2011: Djibouti, Oman
- FY 2012: Djibouti, Kenya, Oman, Seychelles, Tanzania, Yemen
- FY 2013: Djibouti, Kenya, Oman, Seychelles, Tanzania, Yemen
- FY 2014: Djibouti, Somalia, Yemen

Law Enforcement Capacity Building Program Overseas
JICA Project for Capacity Development of Djibouti Coast Guard since 2013
IV. Conclusion

In the light of the global maritime trade and the freedom of navigation, Piracy is Common Enemy of the whole world.

International cooperation is a must.

Let’s tackle together!!!
Thank you very much!