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CRUISE PROGRAMME

F.R.V. MARA

11th June - 2nd July 1966

Personnel: R. Priestley, E.O. (11th-14th June)  
Birmingham University - 2 visitors (11th-14th June)  
J. Drinkwater, E.O. (15th June-2nd July)  
A. Strachan, S.A. (15th June-2nd July)

Objectives: (1) Field trials in Loch Ness of an acoustic device developed by Birmingham University. The two visiting scientists will join MARA at Buckie on Saturday 11th June in order to set up their equipment. MARA should endeavour to be at the entrance to Loch Ness by Monday evening.

The normal programme will be resumed on the morning of Wednesday 15th June.

- (2) Study of the stock of pink shrimps in the Minch. Night and day hauls will be made, using a shrimp trawl and a pelagic trawl. Live Pandalus bonnierii will be kept for Unilever, to be collected by them at a suitable place.
- (3) 1m (26 mesh) oblique plankton hauls will be taken in the following areas: YY 15a, b, c; XX 14c; XX 13c; WW 12b, d; XX 12a.

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8th June 1966