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FRV GOLDSEEKER

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CRUISE 2/81

REPORT:

26-30 January 1981

OBJECTIVE:

To test and measure the performance of the Goldseeker experimental three bridle trawl.

NARRATIVE/RESULTS:

Due to various mechanical difficulties Goldseeker did not become available until the morning of Friday 30 January, too late to attempt any meaningful work with the experimental gear. However an arrangement had been made with S.A.I.T. Electronics Ltd to try out a new J.R.C. netsounder so a small bottom trawl (BT 124R) was rigged for this purpose. Two representatives of S.A.I.T. sailed with the vessel and one haul was made 6 miles off Buckie to test this equipment. On completion of the trials Goldseeker returned to Buckie.

R D GALBRAITH 12 February 1981

Seen in draft: W B Reid