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CRUISE REPORT

FRV "MARA"

27 September - 16 October 1971

OBJECTIVES:

To tag plaice and lemon sole on the west coast of Scotland and in the Moray Firth.

NARRATIVE:

Scientific staff joined "Mara" at Stornoway at 1400 hrs on 25 September. From 27 to 30 September "Mara" worked in Broad Bay. There was a break in work from 1-5 October while the crew were on leave and adverse weather conditions prevented work on 6 October.

A passage was made to Buckie, via the Caledonian Canal, on 7th and 8th October. Work was continued in the Moray Firth from 11 to 15 October at a position 12 miles north of Buckie.

RESULTS:

895 plaice and 165 lemon sole were tagged in Broad Bay and a further 122 plaice were tagged in the Moray Firth.

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