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CRUISE REPORT

FRV MARA

2-25 November 1972

Objectives

- 1) To tag plaice and lemon sole in the vicinity of Orkney and the north coast of Scotland.
- 2) To make underwater observations on the canvas codend.

Narrative

Underwater observations were made on the canvas codend during the first two days of the cruise. Since it was apparent that the codend was not functioning effectively it was decided that it would not be used in subsequent work.

Extremely adverse weather conditions prevented work during the remainder of the cruise except for a period of two days. In this time 458 plaice were tagged in Sinclair Bay.

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12 December 1972