



## **SCREENING CHAPTER 13 FISHERIES**

# **AGENDA ITEM 4: INSPECTION AND CONTROL**

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# I. INSPECTION AND CONTROL

# Legislation

- Fisheries Law no. 1380
- Implementing Regulation on Fisheries
- Circulars regulating
  - ✓ Commercial fishing
  - ✓ Recreational fishing

## Control

- **Controls are done by several public bodies within a shared responsibility**
  - ✓ MARA
  - ✓ Coast Guard Command
  - ✓ Police
  - ✓ Gendarmerie
  - ✓ Customs Offices
  - ✓ Forestry Offices
  - ✓ Municipalities

## Principal Responsible Bodies for Fisheries Control at Sea

- Turkish Coast Guard Command
- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA)



## Turkish Coast Guard Command (CG)

- CG was established in 1982 as a law enforcement, multimission maritime service, under the Coast Guard Act to protect maritime and other national interests in the maritime zones of Turkey.
- CG functions under the control of Ministry of Interior

## Fundamental Roles

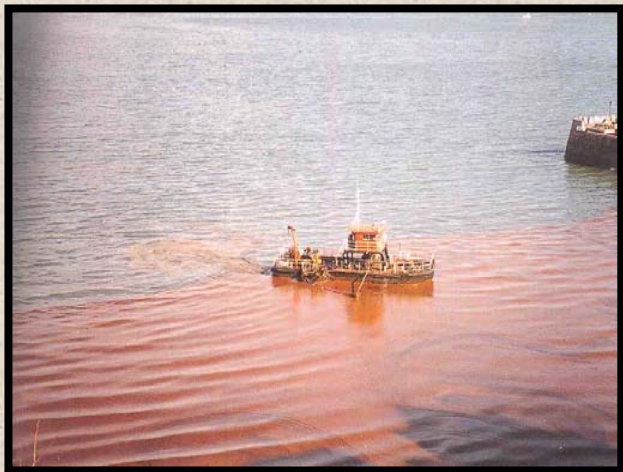
- Preventing illegal fishing
- Suppressing violations of Turkish Law in the maritime arena
- Eliminating deaths, injuries and property damage associated with maritime transportation, fishing and recreational boating
- Eliminating environmental damage and degradation of natural resources associated with maritime transportation, illegal fishing and recreational boating



## Control activities are carried out by:

- 156 Surface platforms,
- 11 Air platforms,
- 63 ports

## Marine Pollution and Illegal Fishing



- In its work, marine pollution and illegal fishing consist the bulk of operational burden of CG.
- In accordance with Fisheries Law, more than one thousand boats, which are convicted for illegal fishing activities, have been fined.

## Fisheries Control Fleet of MARA

- MARA's control fleet consists of 81 vessels, of which 41 operates at sea (No vessel exceeding 12 m.)



## Sanctions

- Penal Sanction
- Confiscation of Fishery Products
- Confiscation of Fishing Gears



## Controls done by MARA

### Controls at

- ✓ Marine and inland waters
- ✓ Landing points
- ✓ Fishing ports
- ✓ Wholesale and retail fish markets
- ✓ Processing establishments
- ✓ Cold storages

## Controls Performed at Sea

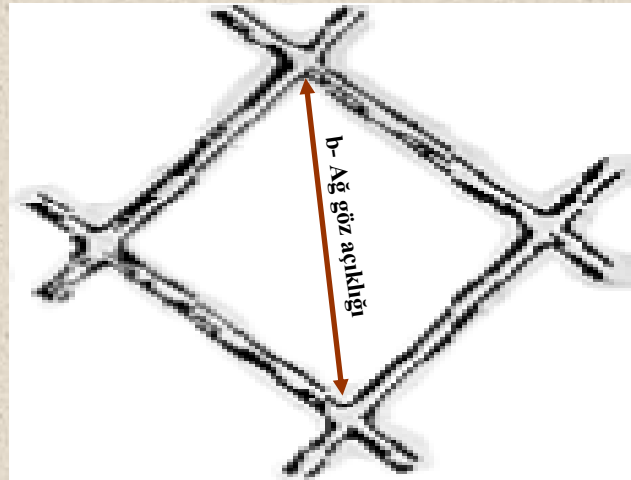
- Licences of fishermen and vessels
- Net mesh size
- Fishing zone, season and depth
- Technical requirements set by circulars, e.g. type of fishing gear, fishing method (trawl, purse seine etc.) used



## Controls Performed at Sea

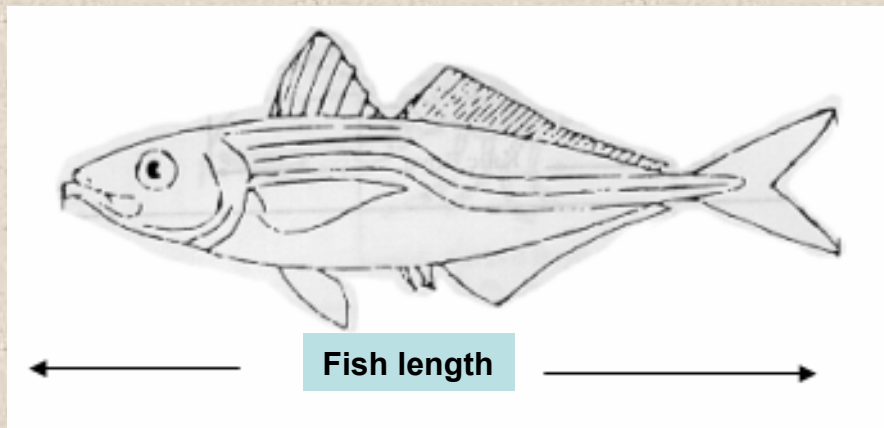
- Minimum legal size/weight of catch
- Protected species, (dolphins, sea turtles, sturgeons, etc.)
- Discard rates
- Other regulations such as safety at sea, marine pollution, etc.

## Mesh Size Control



- Mesh size control is performed while the nets are wet, between opposite knots (disregarding line thickness) and taking an average of 20 mesh size samplings.

## Minimum Legal Catch Size Control



Minimum legal catch size is checked based on specified total length of fish. Tolerance for undersized fishes is 15 % for anchovy and horse mackerel and 5 % for other species.

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TEKNE BİLGİLERİ	TEKNE ADI	DONATAN		KAPTAN
	BAĞLAMA YERİ	SOYADI	SOYADI	
	MİLLİYETİ	ADI	ADI	
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	TONAJI			
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	3. TELSİZ CİHAZI / BELGELER			
	4. TONİLATO BELGESİ			
	5. GEMİ ADAMLARI BELGELERİ/ YETERLİLİĞİ			
	6. RUHSAT TEZKERESİ			
	7. ADI-BAĞLANMA LİMANI-PLAKA YAZISI			
	8. CAN KURTARMA MALZEMELERİ			
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	10. FENER VE İŞARET TAKIMLARI			
	11. SEYİR DONANIMLARI			
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	13. DENİZDE ÇATIŞMAYI ÖNEME KÜZÜĞÜ			
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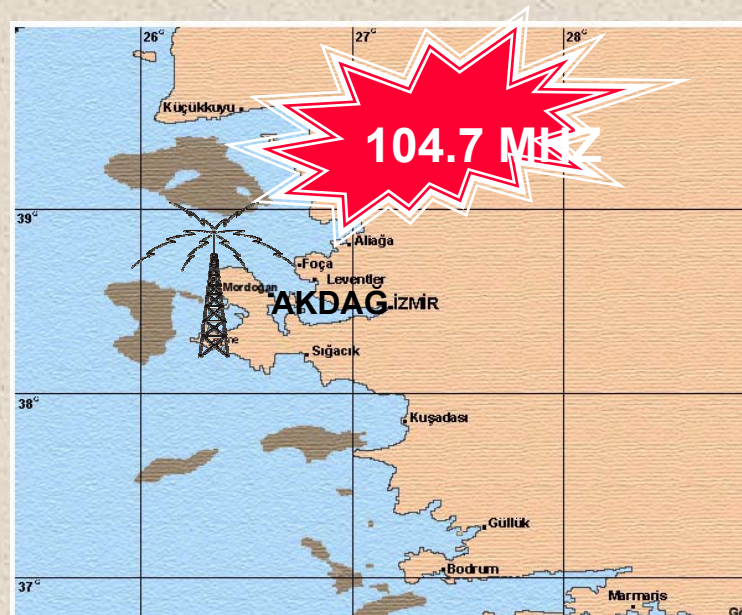


## CONTROLS PERFORMED IN 2005

	<b>MARA</b>	<b>Coast Guard Command</b>
<b>Number of controls</b>	15 595 (All areas)	14 823 (At sea)
<b>Number of cases fined</b>	2 088	1 249
<b>Crime cases reported to the prosecution authority</b>	265	1 597

Source: CG and MARA

# Fishermen Awareness



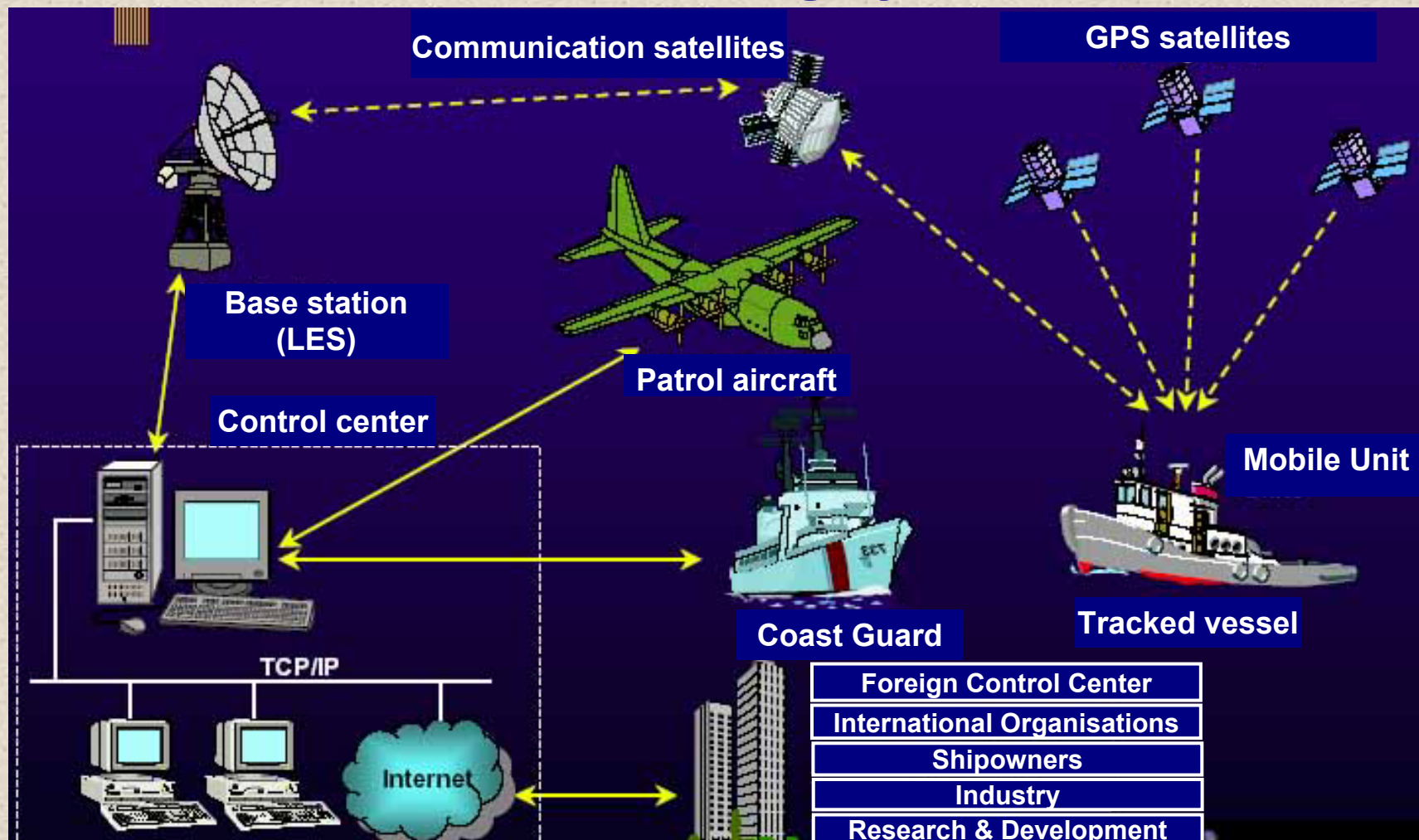




## Fishermen Awareness



# Vessel Monitoring System





## **II. CATCH REGISTRATION AND FOLLOW-UP**

## Registration and Reporting of Catches

- There is practically no system of fishing registry and catch reporting, complying the requirements of the EU Legislation (EC Regulation No. 2807/83 and 2847/93)

## Logbooks and Landing Declarations

- Application of a system of recording of data on operations of fishing vessels exceeding 12 m. has commenced in 2002.

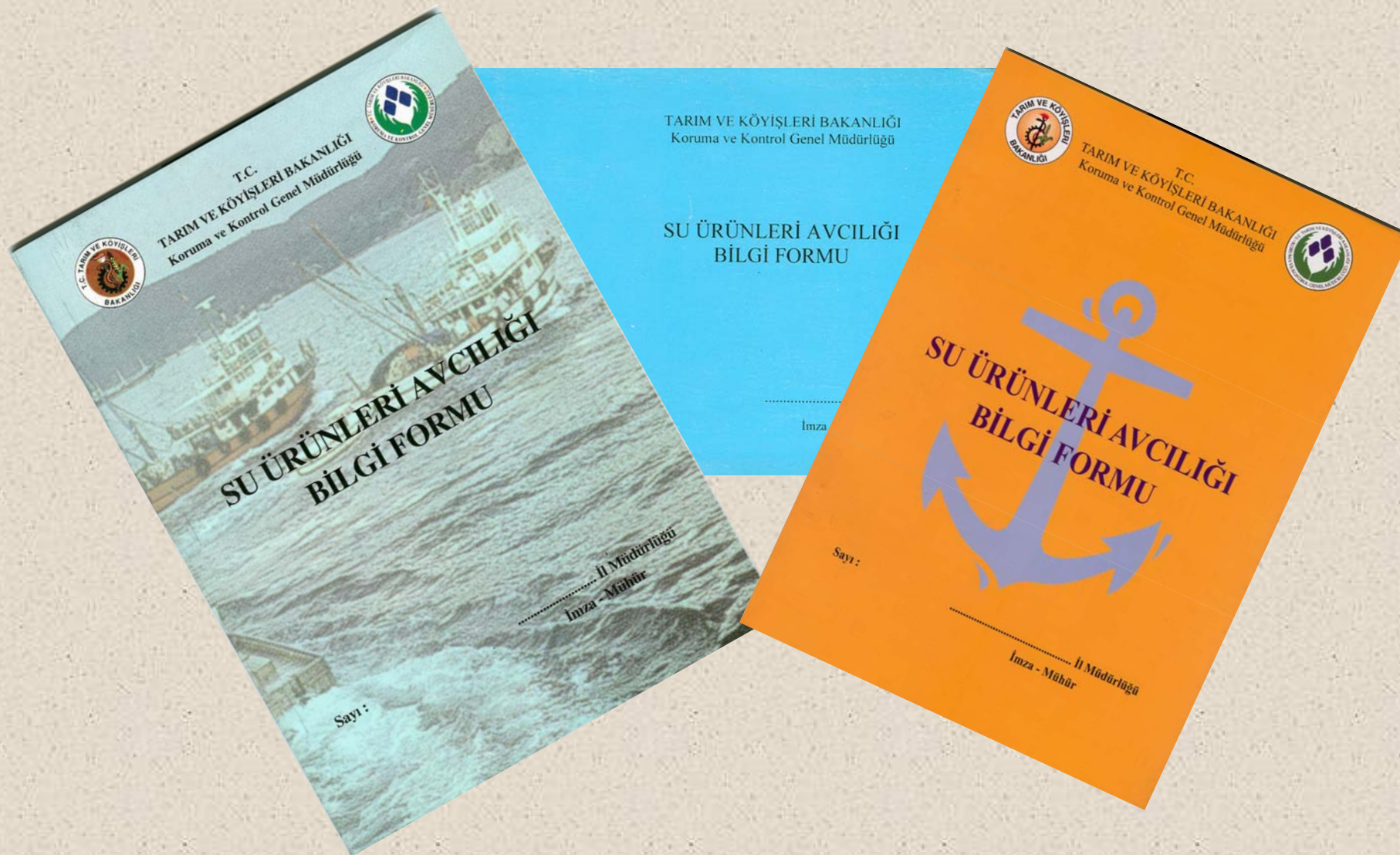




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## On-going Activities

- Existing practice is not in conformity in terms of documents referred to in EC Regulation No.2807/83
- Familiarizing fisherman with keeping the records has been one of high-priority objectives set
- Harmonisation of all relevant documents with those referred in the regulation is underway.





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