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[FBIS TRANSCRIBED TEXT] [IDENTIFIED AND PROCESSED ELECTRONICALLY]

NAHA, JAPAN, JULY 22 KYODO -- THE JAPAN COAST GUARD SAID SATURDAY IT HAS SPOTTED A CHINESE RESEARCH SHIP OPERATING IN JAPAN'S EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE OFF OKINAWA PREFECTURE.

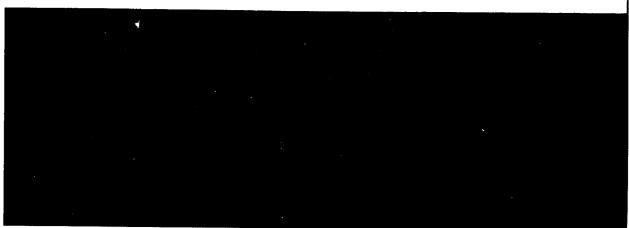
A COAST GUARD UNIT IN NAHA FOUND THE HAI YANG 04 RESEARCH SHIP OPERATING SOME 100 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF ISHIGAKI ISLAND IN OKINAWA PREFECTURE SHORTLY BEFORE 8 P.M. FRIDAY, COAST GUARD OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY SAID A COAST GUARD AIRCRAFT FOUND THE 3,300-TON SHIP TRAVELING NORTHWEST AND DRAGGING THREE CABLES.

THE COAST GUARD RADIOED THE SHIP, TELLING IT TO STOP ITS ACTIVITIES. BUT THE SHIP DID NOT RESPOND, AND THE COAST GUARD CONTINUED MONITORING IT, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE COAST GUARD DID NOT SAY WHAT KIND OF RESEARCH THE SHIP WAS

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IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT, A SENIOR DEFENSE AGENCY OFFICIAL SAID FRIDAY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAD LODGED A SECOND COMPLAINT AGAINST THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT OVER REPORTS THAT CHINESE NAVY SHIPS FREQUENTLY CONDUCT RESEARCH IN JAPAN'S EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE.

THE COMPLAINT FOLLOWS A PROTEST FILED DURING BILATERAL SECURITY TALKS IN JUNE OVER A SERIES OF RESEARCH OPERATIONS BY CHINESE NAVY SHIPS IN THE SEA AROUND JAPAN.

THE LATEST COMPLAINT WAS AGAINST A CHINESE NAVY SHIP THAT CONDUCTED RESEARCH AROUND JAPAN IN JULY WITHOUT GIVING JAPAN PRIOR NOTICE.

TOKYO ASKED BEIJING TO NOTIFY IN ADVANCE IF IT PLANS TO CONDUCT SUCH RESEARCH ACTIVITIES. [DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE: TOKYO KYODO NEWS SERVICE IN ENGLISH--JAPAN'S LARGEST DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCY, OWNED BY NONPROFIT COOPERATIVE OF 63 NEWSPAPER COMPANIES AND NHK] THIS REPORT MAY CONTAIN COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL. COPYING AND DISSEMINATION IS PROHIBITED WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE COPYRIGHT OWNERS. (ENDALL) BT #9120 0DAB

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SUBJ: JAPAN PROTESTS CHINESE INTELLIGENCE SHIP'S OPERATIONS

SOURCE: TOKYO JIJI PRESS IN ENGLISH 1158 GMT 21 JUL 00

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[FBIS TRANSCRIBED TEXT] TOKYO, JULY 21 (JIJI PRESS) -- JAPAN HAS FILED A PROTEST AGAINST THE RECENT OPERATIONS OF CHINESE NAVAL MISSILE SURVEILLANCE AND INTELLIGENCE SHIPS AROUND JAPAN, IT WAS LEARNED FRIDAY.

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN THE PROTEST HAS CLAIMED THAT JAPAN IS KEEPING CLOSE VIGILANCE ON THE ACTIVITIES OF CHINESE MILITARY SHIPS AROUND THE JAPANESE TERRITORIAL WATERS, A MINISTRY SOURCE SAID.

SENIOR MINISTRY OFFICIALS VISITED THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN TOKYO ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY TO FILE THE PROTEST, THE SOURCE SAID.

EMBASSY OFFICIALS ANSWERED THAT THEY WILL REPORT THE JAPANESE PROTEST TO THEIR HOME GOVERNMENT AND THAT THOSE SHIPS' ACTIVITIES ARE NORMAL, THE SOURCE SAID.

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