The Netherlands

a. Programme d	a. Programme description:			
Category	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2008	Comments		
Selected	185			
Supplementary				
Auxiliary				
Other (specify)				
Total National VOS Fleet	185			

b. VOS:	
Number of VOS vessels recruited in 2008	21
Number of VOS vessels de-recruited in 2008	29
Target number of ships in the national VOS Fleet	180

c. VOSClim:	
Number of VOSClim vessels at 31 December 2008	37
Number of VOSClim vessels recruited in 2008	0
Number of VOSClim de-recruitments in 2008	4
Number of VOSClim recruitments planned for 2009	0
Target number of ships to participate in VOSClim	37

d. Automated o	Automated observing systems:				
Туре	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2008	Manual Input Yes / No	Method of Comms	2009 Planned installations	
	0			1-2	

e. Data management:	
Total number of ship observations (BBXX) distributed on the GTS in 2008	63,674
Frequency of VOS data submitted to the GCC in 2008	~ every 4 months

f.	Electronic logbooks:			
S	oftware & version	No. of ships at 31 Dec 2008	Implementation/upgrade plans	
	TurboWin 4	145		
	TurboWin 3.5	40		

g. Major ch	nallenges and difficulties:
Ration Investi	alising the fleet (de-recruiting non-cooperating ships) gating possible automation on board Dutch VOS
h. Researc	h / development / testing:
 Furthe 	r development of TurboWin.
i. Other co	omments:
Studies	s are being made to automate the entire Dutch VOS fleet.