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PRESS INFORMATION.....
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N.A.T.O. EXERCISE 'SHARP SPEAR'

The Celtic League have written to the N.A.T.O. Secretariat urging advance warning to mariners about increased military activity this Autumn when a number of naval exercises get underway. In particular we have expressed our concern about exercise 'Sharp Spear' to be held in early Sept asking N.A.T.O. to request member States submarine forces involved in the exercise to:

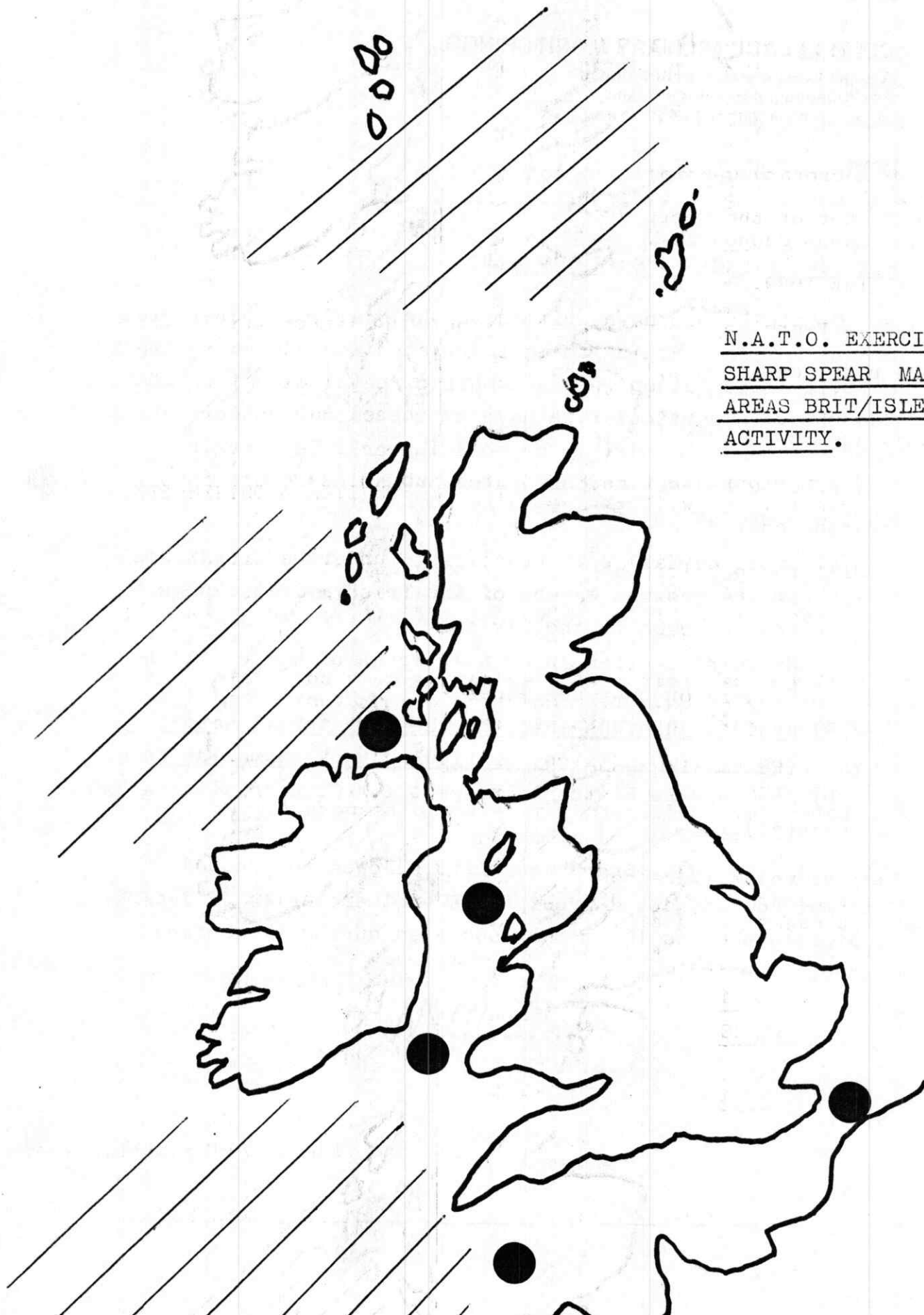
- A) Avoid as far as is practicable undersea operations in the crowded waters of the Irish & Celtic seas & the approach to the Clyde.
- B) Exercise caution in or near areas of commercial sea fishery or busy sea lanes.
- C) Avoid incursions into the territorial waters of non N.A.T.O. States, particularly by submarine forces.
- D) Ask members States to respect I.M.O. Resolution A 599 (15).

It is likely that 'Sharp Spear' if allowed to proceed without comment could precipitate another series of Sub/MFV incidents such as those that occurred during the Spring exercise period.

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