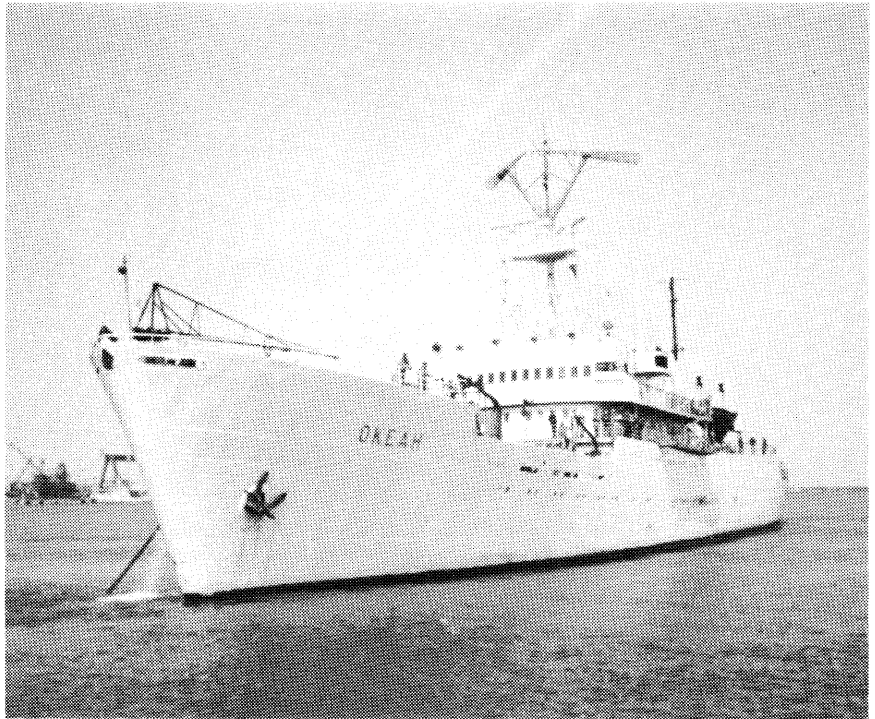


## 3-NATION JOINT RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY CARRIED OUT IN JAPAN SEA

Following Russian dumping of nuclear waste in Japan Sea last October, a joint expedition composed of scientists from Japan, Republic of Korea, and Russia was dispatched to carry out a radiological survey using the Russian oceanographic survey ship "Okean", 4,162 tons.

The *Okean* left Niigata Port, Japan, on 22 March 1994, and the survey was carried out in Japan Sea from 24 March. After the survey, the *Okean* called at Tonghae Port, Korea, on 6 April and returned to Niigata Port on 11 April 1994. The Japanese team was composed of nine scientists from J.H.D., Science and Technology Agency, Japan Meteorological Agency, etc., which was headed by Mr. Y. Seto, the then Head, Marine Pollution Research Laboratory of J.H.D. Mr. K. Oda, Senior Ocean Surveys Officer, Ocean Surveys Division, J.H.D., also participated in the survey as one of the Japanese members.

The team of experts found no particular abnormalities in seawater and seabed samples compared with past data, according to their interim report.



Russian oceanographic survey ship "Okean" leaving Niigata Port, Japan

Water sampler used



Mr. Y. Seto (right) and Mr. K. Oda of J.H.D., participating in the joint expedition

