

# Even Sandeel Cannot Escape WESMAR's HD800 Sonar

Dalian Kairun Fishing Company Ltd. from Dalian, Liaoning Province, China operates 8 x 36 meter trawlers and 2 reefers. The company installed their first WESMAR HD800/160-6 in May 1999, one of the first in China to be equipped with sonar technology at that time. In May 2000, the company purchased their second WESMAR sonar for the new pair of trawlers that were built then. Now the company is building another pair of trawlers to be completed in August 2000. Again they will have their third WESMAR HD800 on board.

According to Mr. Wang Guo Xi, Fleet Manager, the company's fishing ground is the Yellow Sea where the depths of the waters are between 30-120 meters. Anchovies, croaker and silver pomfret are some of the products that he catches depending on the season.

"In Dalian's fishing Port, there are over 1,000 pair of trawlers operating in the same area. In the past it was the boats with echo sounders that had the edge over those that didn't. In the past few years, it has become more and more difficult to catch fish in the Yellow Sea. I realized that in order to stay ahead of the others, I needed to be able to see underwater. I am glad to be using the WESMAR HD800/160-6 as it gives me the ability to detect the location of the fish. The unique split screen feature enables me to steer my vessels toward the larger school of fish and what depth to set my net. This is a very important factor in



*Fishing Vessels LDZ 0948*

trawling operations.

The definition of the HD800 is excellent. It can detect fish when the onboard echo sounder cannot. It can even detect fish ahead of the boat.

This is something I was not able to control before having WESMAR's sonar on board. I am currently building another pair of trawlers. Of course they will have WESMAR sonar onboard. It helps me pay for my new vessels faster!"

