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tected wholly by R.C.N. ships. R.C.N. ships were responsible for the protection of trans-Atlantic convoys to the extent noted below:-

Short Title	Terminal Ports	Week Ended	
		8th May (Revised)	15th May
1. Canadian Coastal Convoys			
HF & FH	Halifax/St. John, N.B.	17	25
JH & HJ	Halifax/St. John's, Nfld.	18	1
BX & XB	Halifax/Boston	73	67
SH & HS	Sydney/Halifax	9	31
BW & WB	Sydney/Wabana	4	7
CL & LC	Sydney/St. John's, Nfld.	-	32
SQ & QS	Quebec/Sydney	-	2
SPAB	Sydney/Port aux Basques	2	4
SPEC RIVER			
GROUP	Halifax/Montreal	4	-
SPECIAL	Sydney/Port aux Basques	2	-
SPECIAL	Halifax/Cable Ship	-	1
		<u>129</u>	<u>170</u>

2. Atlantic Convoys

		W/e 8/5			W/e 15/5		
HHX	237	12	HHX	238	12		
SC	129	26	WHX	238	2		
ONJ	181	2	HX	239	32		
HX	238	34	HHX	239	12		
ON	182	57	SC	130	37		
ONS	7	42	WSC	130	3		
			ON	183	33		
			WON	181	1		
			ONSJ	7	9		
		<u>173</u>			<u>141</u>	<u>173</u>	<u>141</u>
			T O T A L		<u>302</u>	<u>311</u>	

Canadian groups formed the Western Local Escort for all Convoys and Mid Ocean Escort for Convoys: ON 181, HX 237, ON 182, HX 238, SC 130, ON 183.

3. Gross Tonnage of Ships Convoys

Canadian Coastal Convoys	587,298	608,237
Atlantic Convoys	<u>1,024,544</u>	<u>852,428</u>
T O T A L	<u>1,611,842</u>	<u>1,460,665</u>

4. General

In view of numerous sightings in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, H.M.C. Base Supply Ship "PROVIDER" and the 78th M.L. Flotilla were allocated to the Gaspé Force on the 16th of May and sailed for Sydney on the same date. Four available Motor Launches of the 77th Flotilla sailed from Halifax for

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