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**JDF COAST GUARD SEARCHES FOR
MISSING FISHERMEN**

The JDF Coast Guard is currently conducting a search for six fishermen who have been missing at sea since Friday. The fishermen were onboard fishing vessel 'The Saint' which left the Whitehouse Fishing Beach at approximately

7 pm on Monday 4 January 2010 en route to draw their fish pots south of the Pedro Banks. The vessel was to have returned to Whitehouse on Friday 8 January 2010, when they did not return a report was made to the Coast Guard.

The Coast Guard has been searching for the vessel with surface assets and with the assistance of a C130 aircraft from the US Coast Guard. The aircraft did an initial search on Sunday 10 January 2010 which covered 5339.70 square miles but did not spot the vessel.

Mariners are being reminded to take all necessary precautions if they have to proceed to sea during this and any other period of adverse conditions. The JDF Coast Guard will continue its search for these fishermen.

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