U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Interceptor Class 39-Foot Midnight Express

FACT SHEET

The 39-foot Midnight Express is the most powerful vessel used in law enforcement anywhere in the world and is an integral part of the Office of Air and Marine (OAM) effort to stop maritime smuggling into the United States.

Working in conjunction with OAM aviation assets, the Midnight Express operates in offshore coastal waters to combat maritime smuggling and protect U.S. ports from acts of terrorism.

The Midnight Express' 3-person (minimum) crews work in conjunction with Department of Homeland Security, Department of Defense and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to accomplish the homeland security mission.

Performance and Weights:

- **Maximum Speed**
  52 knots (59 mph)
- **Range**
  400 nautical miles (460 miles)
- **Endurance**
  10 hours
- **Length**
  39 feet, 2 inches
- **Maximum Gross Weight**
  13,000 pounds

Features:

- Marine Surface Radar
- 4 X 225 hp Mercury Outboard Engines
- Night vision goggles-compatible