



## U.S. Customs and Border Protection

### *Interceptor Class Interim 39-Foot Midnight Express*

# FACT SHEET



Interim 39-foot Midnight Express Interceptor vessels were purchased to provide maritime interdiction capabilities to newly created Office of Air and Marine (OAM) marine units. These vessels will fill operational gaps at newly created units until the future Coastal Interceptor Vessel (CIV) is identified and purchased.

This class of vessel is the most powerful vessel used in law enforcement anywhere in the world and is an integral part of OAM's efforts to stop maritime smuggling into the United States.

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

The Midnight Express' three person (minimum) crews work in conjunction with DHS, DOD and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to accomplish the Homeland Security mission

#### **Performance and Weights:**

Speed	60 knots
Range	400 NM
Endurance	10.0 hours
Length	39 feet
Max Gross Weight	16,350 lbs.

#### **Features:**

- NavNet 3D with Marine Surface Radar
- Satellite Communications
- 4 X 300 hp Mercury Outboard Engines
- Automated Identification System (AIS)
- Night Vision Goggles