

I. Ships and Aircraft

Section I of the 2008-2009 season plans lists the names, types, numbers, descriptions, and armament of ships, aircraft, and other vehicles introduced to the Antarctic Treaty area and information on military equipment, if any, and its location in the area.

Ships

- **Icebreakers**

Ship: Sweden Oden
Armament: None

- **Supply/Tankers**

Ship: Resupply Vessel-American Tern dry cargo
Armament: None

Ship: TBA - Champion Class T-5 Tanker
Armament: None

- **Research Vessels**

Ship: R/V *Laurence M. Gould*
Armament: None

Ship: R/V *Nathaniel B. Palmer*
Armament: None

Ship: R/V *Yuzmorgeologiya*
Armament: None

Aircraft

Five LC-130 transport aircraft operated by the 109th Air Wing.

Two Bell 212 helicopter based at McMurdo Station.

Two Aerospatiale AS-350B-2 helicopters based at McMurdo Station

Note: No armament

Air Mobility Command

Between September 2008 and February 2009 C-17 aircraft of the U.S. Air Force Air Mobility Command (AMC) will transport cargo and personnel to and from Christchurch, New Zealand, and McMurdo Station, Antarctica. No armament

Other Aircraft

Royal New Zealand Air Force C-130 aircraft will transport cargo and personnel on intercontinental flights between Christchurch, New Zealand, and McMurdo Station, Antarctica, during January 2009 in support of the U.S. and New Zealand Antarctic Programs. Also, Italian South African Air (SAFAIR) aircraft will transport cargo and personnel on intercontinental flights between Christchurch, New Zealand and McMurdo Station, Antarctica, during December 2008.

No armament