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BASIC DATA ON THE ORGANIZATION
OF THE MINISTRY OF MARITIME FLEET USSR

[Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

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Until 25 May 1939, functions of the Ministry of Maritime Fleet USSR were carried out by the People's Commissariat of Water Transport, which was responsible for both maritime and river fleets of the USSR (1)

1939 Statute on the People's Commissariat of Maritime Fleet USSR

The structure of the People's Commissariat of Maritime Fleet USSR as a separate people's commissariat was confirmed by a decree of the Council of Ministers USSR on 25 May 1939.(2) The commissariat had the following administrations, departments, and other subordinate units:

Administrations

- Political Administration of the People's Commissariat of Maritime Fleet
- Central Administration of Dry Cargo and Passenger Fleets
- Central Administration of Petroleum-Carrying Fleet
- Central Administration of Maritime Ports
- Central Administration of Industrial Enterprises
- Central Administration of Construction
- Central Administration of Supply
- Signals and Communications Administration
- Administration of Educational Institutions
- Far East Administration of Maritime Transport

Departments (otdel) and other Units

- Department for Personnel Records and Selection
- Department of Labor and Wages
- Planning Department (with accounting and statistical sections)

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Inspection Group under people's commissariat
 Central Bookkeeping Department
 Hauling Department
 Technical Department (with Bureau of Inventions)
 Group under people's commissariat for introducing Stakhanovite methods
 Main Maritime Inspection
 Fuel and Power Inspection
 Department of Military Defense and PVO
 Maritime Registry (based on cost accounting)
 Housing Department
 Administration of Affairs
 Secret Department
 Bureau of Consultants
 Juridical Department
 Secretariat of People's Commissar, his Deputy, and the Collegium
 Arbitration Board
 Procedures and Bureau of Complaints
 Archives (2)

On 15 March 1946, the People's Commissariat of Maritime Fleet USSR was changed to the Ministry of Maritime Fleet USSR by decree of the Supreme Soviet, at the time that all people's commissariats were changed to ministries.(3)

Current Organization

N. V. Novikov is Minister of Maritime Fleet.(4) Deputy Ministers of Maritime Fleet are A. P. Men'shikov (5) and V. Bakayev.(6)

Information on the organization and personnel of the Ministry of Maritime Fleet USSR, obtained from 1949 - 1951 issues of the periodical Morskoy Flot and the newspaper Morskoy Flot, is given below.

The following main administrations of the Ministry of Maritime Fleet USSR have been identified:

Main Territorial-Operational Administrations

Main Administration of Eastern Fleet (Glavdal'flot); chief, Savinov (7)
 Main Administration of Northwestern Fleet (Glavsevapflot); chief, Nesterov (7)
 Main Administration of Petroleum-Carrying Fleet (Glavnefteflot); chief, Serebryanny (7)
 Main Administration of Southern Fleet (Glavyuzhflot); chief, Koroteyev (7)
 Main Administration of Seaways (Glavmorput'); chief, G. Polyakov (12)
 Main Administration for Production of Spare Parts for Ship and Port Equipment (Glavmashprom); chief, Remizov (4)
 Main Administration of Technical Supply (Glavmortekhsnab) (9)
 Main Administration of Maritime Shipbuilding Industry (Glavmorprom); chief, Yefimov (6)
 Main Administration of Maritime Registry (9)
 Main Maritime Inspection (10)
 Main Personnel Administration (5)
 Main Administration of Educational Institutions (11)
 Main Administration of Maritime Construction (Glavmorstroy); chief, Tsearskiy (11)

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Other central organizations of the Ministry of Maritime Fleet identified are as follows:

Central Technical Administration; chief, Rykachev (5)
 Central Bureau of Invention (8)
 Central Planning and Design Bureau (8)
 Central Communications Center (12)
 Political Administration; chief, V. Rummyantsev (13)
 /Central/ Department of Labor and Wages (14)
 /Central/ Department of Passenger Hauling (8)
 /Central/ Department of Technical Arbitration (8)
 /Central/ Planning and Economic Department (15)
 Central Scientific Research Institute (8)
 Main Maritime Inspection (15)
 /Central/ Fuel and Power Department; chief, Sololov (16)
 /Central/ Commercial Department (17)
 Department for Developing and Rebuilding Ports (6)
 Technical Council (Tekhsvet) (6)

Maritime ship lines listed below are territorial administrative units responsible for fleet operation. They are directly under the main territorial-operational administrations.

Maritime Ship Line Administrations

Azov Ship Line (6)
 Baltic Ship Line (6); chief, Loginov (7)
 Black Sea Dry Cargo Ship Line (6); chief, A. Danchenko (18)
 Black Sea Tanker Ship Line (4)
 Caspian Dry Cargo Ship Line (6)
 Caspian Tanker Ship Line (Kasptanker) (7)
 Danube Ship Line (4)
 Estonian Ship Line (6)
 Far East Ship Line (6); chief, Syrykh (7)
 Kamchatka-Chukotsk Ship Line (6)
 Latvian Ship Line (6)
 Murmansk Ship Line; chief, Dokladchik (19)
 Northern Ship Line (6)
 Reyd tanker Ship Line (20)
 Sakhalin Ship Line (6)
 Sovtanker Ship Line (7)

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