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BUENOS AIRES, June 24—

The Argentine Navy disclosed in a statement issued tonight that the Soviet fishing-factory ship *Golfstrim*, which was seized Friday night by an Argentine gunboat, had been damaged by shellfire when it tried to evade an Argentine escort ship.

The *Golfstrim* is now being held in the port of Mar del Plata, 300 miles south of here, and faces a fine for fishing within the 200-mile territorial limit Argentina claims.

The vessel, along with four Russian trawlers, was sighted 125 miles off the coast. The statement said that the gun-

boat fired on the ship, hitting it in the bow with two 40-mm. shells, when it "disobeyed orders" and tried to slip away.