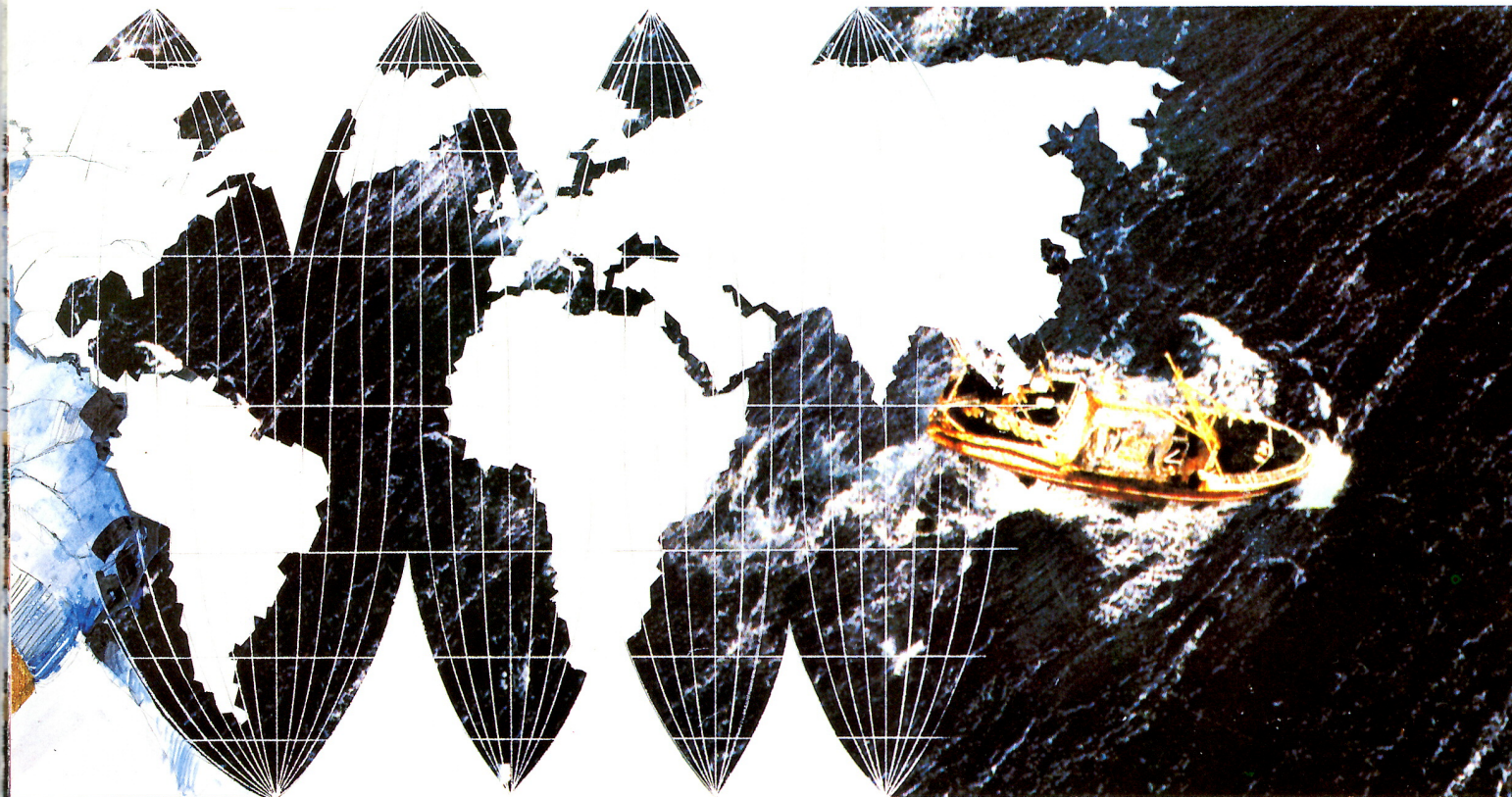


Autolink RT works through existing radio communications equipment, with the addition of a low-cost, easy-to-fit modem. It means that calls from ship can be dialled direct instead of being placed through the operator. Connecting times are faster and ships have direct access to 99 percent of the world's telephones.



Apart from the time-saving benefits of automation, the system also incorporates a high degree of security. Calls can be scrambled in order to provide the security that today's competitive commercial environment demands.



Autolink RT's efficiency is mirrored in the new accounting system developed specifically for it. The new, flexible system means that all the work previously involved in maintaining separate accounts for a ship's business, crew and visiting personnel is no longer necessary. Record-keeping is simple. Each vessel can be allocated up to 99 PIN numbers, each with a choice of payment methods: by nominated UK telephone number, BT Chargecard or the ship's accounting authority. And, unlike cellular systems, there is no registration or rental charge for Autolink RT.