CLAIMS

The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

1. A method of rapid playback, analysis and tagging of image or other data received at the shore or base control station or at a mothership when such data or image is sent from an unmanned surface vessel.

2. The method in Claim 1 wherein a shore monitoring station consists of at least a display that comprises a Main window, Replay window and a Film Strip window in addition to a computer processor and storage medium

3. The method in the preceding claims where the Main window is used to display the source image of interest to the operator while the Replay window is set close to the Main window for easy review and comparison with the Main window images.

4. The method of Claim 1 and 2 where the Film Strip window source is selectable by the operator and always shows 4 or more frames of images that were stored in the storage media with the most recent image being the image on the right most frame.

5. The method of Claim 4 where arrows are used to enable the operator to scroll forward and backwards between images of the Film Strip and for the most recent image found on the right most frame of the Film Strip to be displayed on the Replay window.

6. The method of the preceding claim where the effect of rapid movement of the Film Strip arrows is to create a video like animation in the Replay window for enhanced operator appreciation.

7. The method of Claim 4 through 6 wherein the Film Strip reverts to the latest images of the selected source when the arrows are not selected for over 5 seconds or any other time interval.

8. The method of Claim 1 through 3 where an image of interest in the Replay window may be tagged for future review and analysis by a soft button found on the Replay window and subsequently saved to a tagged image folder.

9. The method of the preceding claim where the soft button is also used to select functions notably tagging, searching and downloading of tagged images that are kept in a tagged image folder in the storage medium.

10. The method of Claim 1, 8 and 9 where the Replay window is also used to show the results of the search conducted of tagged images and the results are displayed in the form of a table with attributes such as date, time, keyword and thumbnail image

11. The method of the preceding claim where the use of a mouse over the image thumbnail in the tabulated search returns enables the expanded image of the thumbnail to be shown over the tabulated form and to disappear when the mouse is no longer over the thumbnail.

12. The method of the preceding claim where a mouse placed over the tabulated form allows the scroll wheel of the mouse to be used to scroll through the tabulated data and to return to the top of the tabulated data listing once the mouse is moved out of the table.