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Question
What maritime surveillance, fisheries monitoring, border security, or Exclusive Economic Zone patrol activities were undertaken by RNZAF P-3K2 Orion and P-8A Poseidon aircraft between 2015 and 2025, if any, listed by date and title?

Reply
The following table provides information on Government mandated activities (surveillance, fisheries, Exclusive Economic Zone) by all 5 Squadron aircraft between 2015 and 28 August 2026 by date and title:

Operation name	Dates
PATROL (Various)	10 operations from 9 June 2015 to 10 April 2021
NASSE	18 operations from 23 June 2015 to 7 July 2015
MAWSONI	12 operations from 28 November 2016 to 2 December 2025
HINAKI	14 operations from 31 October 2019 to 16 February 2025
TUI MOANA(pacific Islands)	18 May 2016, 24 May 2018, 25 May 2022, 22 May 2023, 20 May 2024, 11 May 2026
ANTARES	8 July 2026
RAI BALANG	12 March 2024, 17 February 2026
PIPI RECCE(RNZN support)	6 October 2024
SAR	107 operations since 6 March 2015
NORPAT	80 operations since 29 January 2015
TAU TAI	4 February 2015, 6 March 2016, 14 March 2016
ISLAND CHIEF	26 July 2021, 3 August 2023, 7 August 2024
RAI BALANG	10 April 2016,12 March 2017, 23 March 2018
KURUKURU	12 September 2016, 17 October 2022, 20 October 2024, 28 October 2025
GOALKEEPER	15 February 2019, 27 February 2019, 5 March 2019, 12 March 2019, 27 March 2019
TAPESTRY(Exclusive Economic Zone patrol)	148 operations since 20 February 2015