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DANIA, Fla. — A \$1.31 million yacht, the 131-foot Patricia III, which may be owned by fugitive financier Robert Vesco, sailed for Panama yesterday after a dispute over who owns it. There was speculation that it would be taken on to Costa Rica, where

Vesco and his wife live in a \$500,000 mansion.

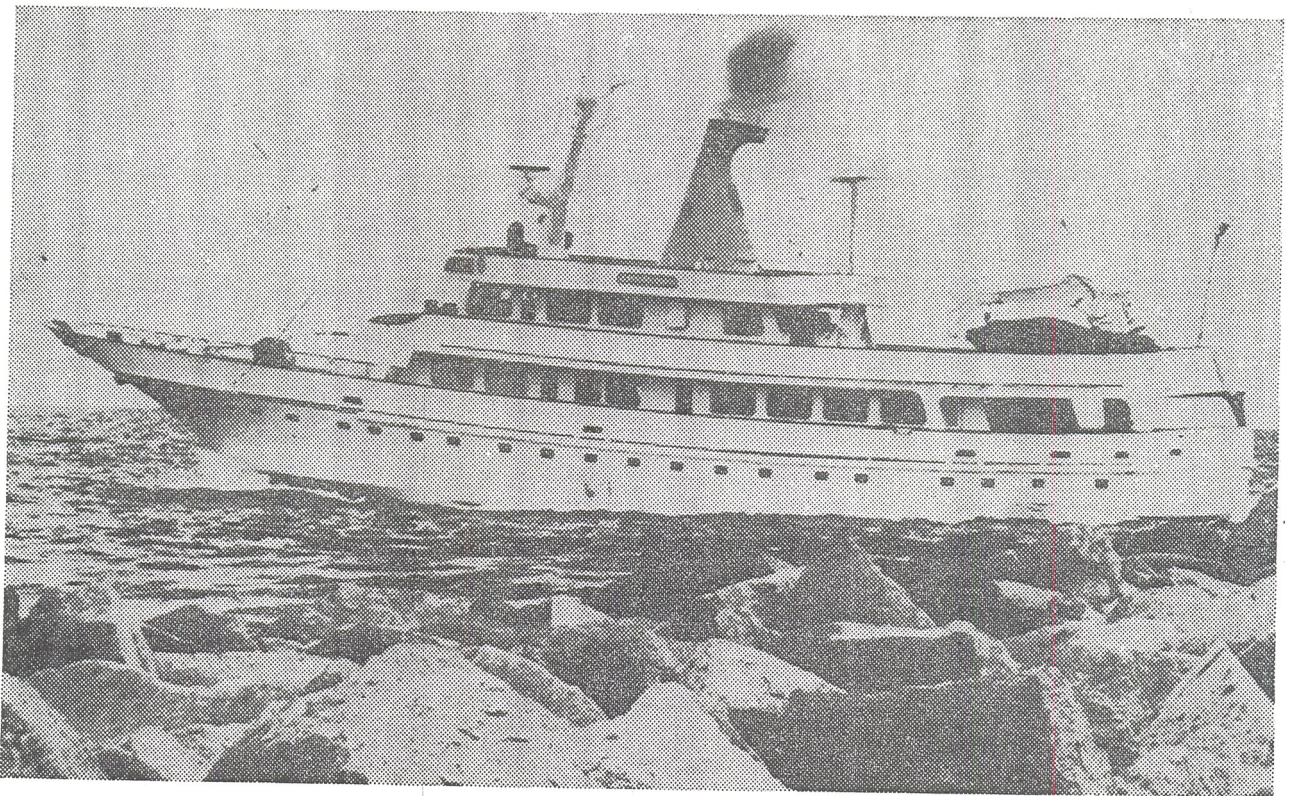
An attorney for International Controls Corp. of New York, once owned by Vesco, said the yacht was purchased with funds defrauded from the company, and called the yacht's departure "an act of piracy."

The vessel was apparently spirited away by a Panamanian firm which also claims rights to the plush boat. It sailed in defiance of a New York federal court order that it be impounded pending adjudication of its ownership.

An army of officers — Dania police, Pinkerton security guards hired by International Controls, a deputy U.S. marshal and Port of Dania security guards — were persuaded to let it go when William Luttinger, U.S. marshal at Miami, said he had no Miami federal court order to detail it.

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The 131-foot yacht Patricia III sails into open water off the Florida coast after its disputed departure.