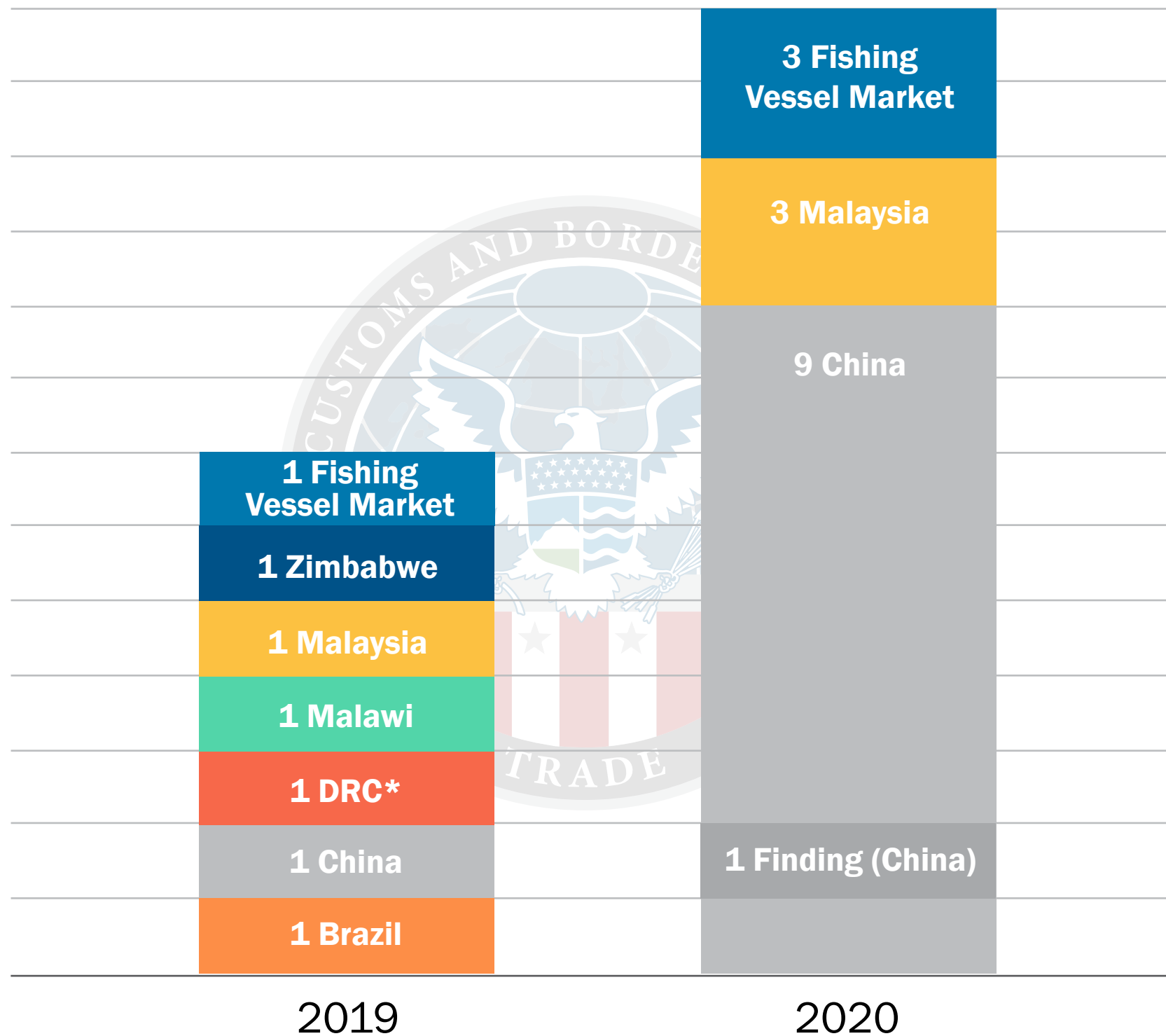




U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Forced Labor Enforcement Actions in 2019 and 2020

In 2019, U.S. Customs and Border Protection issued seven Withhold Release Orders (WRO) against products from countries across the globe. These WROs ordered the detention of goods spanning multiple industries at all U.S. ports of entry. In 2020, the agency doubled its forced labor enforcement activity issuing a total of 15 WROs and one finding, which gives CBP the authority to seize the good(s) in question at U.S. ports of entry. Also in 2020, CBP issued its first civil penalty against a domestic importer for bringing goods made with forced labor into the United States.



*Democratic Republic of the Congo; CBP enforcement actions in China in 2020 include one finding and nine WROs