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## Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

February 25, 2025

### **A Russian Navy vessel sailed through waters in Japan's southwest.**

- At around 10:00 a.m., Saturday, February 1, 2025, JMSDF spotted a RFN Vishnya-class AGI (hull number 535) sailing southward in the waters approximately 50 km southeast of Okinawa Main Island.
- From Feb. 1 to 2, the RNF AGI loitered east and west in the waters southeast of Okinawa Main Island, including inside Japan's contiguous zone. On Feb. 4, the vessel sailed northeastward in the contiguous zone southeast of Kikai-jima Island. From Feb. 7 to 8, it loitered east and west in the waters east of Miyazaki Prefecture, including inside the contiguous zone, and sailed westward through Osumi Strait into the East China Sea on Feb. 9.
- This is the same vessel sailed southwestward through Tsushima Strait from Nov. 11 to 12, 2024, and eastward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island on Nov. 14, 2024.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of this vessel.

### ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

RFN: Russian Federation Navy

AGI: Intelligence Gathering Vessel

Vishnya-class AGI (535)



## Overview of Activities

