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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

February 25, 2025

A Russian Navy vessel sailed through Japan's strait.

- In addition to the activities spotted from Feb. 1 to 9, 2025, at around 2:00 a.m., Monday, February 10, JMSDF spotted a RFN Vishnya-class AGI (hull number 535) sailing northwestward in the waters approximately 40 km south of the Danjo-gunto Islands.
- After sailing northeastward in the waters north of Tori-shima Island, including inside Japan's contiguous zone, the vessel sailed northeastward through Tsushima Strait into the Sea of Japan from Feb. 10 to 11.
- This is the same vessel conducted the following activities:
 - Sailed southwestward through Tsushima Strait from Nov. 11 to 12 in 2024,
 - Sailed eastward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island on Nov. 14,
 - Loitered east and west in the waters southeast of Okinawa Main Island, including inside Japan's contiguous zone, from Feb. 1 to 2 in 2025,
 - Sailed northeastward in the waters southeast of Kikai-jima Island including inside the contiguous zone on Feb. 4,
 - Loitered east and west in the waters east of Miyazaki Prefecture from Feb. 7 to 8,
 - Sailed westward through Osumi Strait on Feb. 9,
- 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

