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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

February 26, 2025

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

- At around 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 19, 2025, JMSDF spotted a RFN Vishnya-class AGI (hull number 535) sailing southwestward in the waters approximately 50 km north of Tori-shima Island.
- The RFN AGI continued to sail in the waters from north of Tori-shima Island to southeast of Okinawa Main Island, including inside Japan's contiguous zone, and sailed into the Pacific Ocean on February 20.
- This is the same vessel sailed southwestward through Tsushima Strait from February 16 to 17, 2025.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

RFN: Russian Federation Navy

AGI: Intelligence Gathering Vessel

Vishnya-class AGI (535)



Overview of Activities

