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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

August 21, 2025

A Russian Navy vessel sailed through Japan's strait.

- At around 7:00 p.m., Sunday, August 17, 2025, JMSDF spotted RFN Steregushchiy-III-class FFG × 1 (hull number 337) sailing westward in the waters approximately 40 km northeast of Cape Soya.
- The RFN vessel continued to sail westward through Soya Strait.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

RFN: Russian Federation Navy

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

Steregushchiy- III-class FFG (hull number 337)



Overview of Activities

