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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

September 18, 2025

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

- At around 7:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 9, 2025, JMSDF spotted RFN Vishnya-class AGI x 1 (hull number 208) sailing southwestward in the waters approximately 50 km east of Miyake-jima Island.
- The RFN AGI sailed southward in the contiguous zone of Miyake-jima Island and continued to sail southwestward in the contiguous zone between Mikura-jima Island and Hachijo-jima Island.
- Subsequently, from September 13 to 15, the vessel sailed around Okinawa Main Island as follows:
 - Sailed southwestward in the waters from east to south of Okinawa Main Island, including in the contiguous zone.
 - Sailed northwestward in the contiguous zone south of Okinawa Main Island.
 - Sailed northwestward in the contiguous zone southwest of Kume-jima Island toward the East China Sea.
- This is the same vessel that sailed eastward through Tsugaru Strait and sailed northeastward in the contiguous zone south of Cape Erimo from August 21 to 22.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

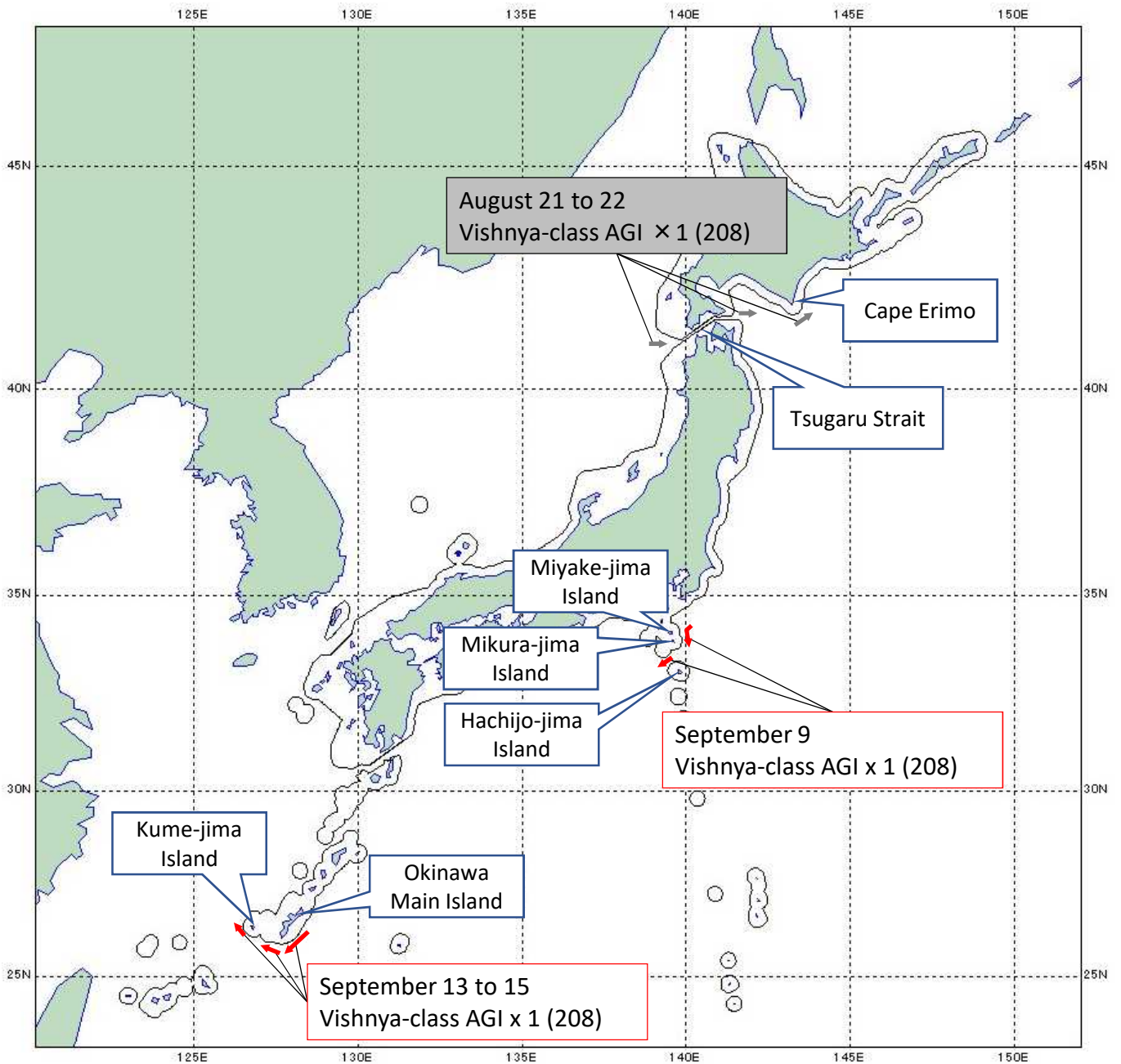
RFN: Russian Federation Navy

AGI: Auxiliary General Intelligence

Vishnya-class AGI (hull number 208)



Overview of Activities



-  : RFN vessel
-  : This time PR
-  : Previous PR