

# JAPAN JOINT STAFF PRESS RELEASE



## Event Summary/Chinese Military Activities

December 16, 2025

### **Chinese Navy vessels sailed through waters in Japan's southwest.**

- At around 1:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 10, 2025, JMSDF spotted PLAN Jiangkai-II-class FFG x 1 (hull number 529) sailing westward in the waters approximately 70km east of Tanegashima Island.
- The PLAN FFG continued to sail westward through Osumi Strait into the East China Sea.
- This is the same vessel that sailed eastward through Osumi Strait on Monday, December 8, 2025.
  
- At around 6:00 a.m., on the same day, JMSDF spotted PLAN Jiangkai-II-class FFG x 1 (hull number 548) sailing northwestward in the waters approximately 140km northeast of Miyako-jima Island.
- The PLAN FFG continued to sail northwestward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island into the East China Sea.
- This is the same vessel that sailed southeastward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island on Monday, December 8, 2025.
  
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

#### ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

PLAN: People's Liberation Army Navy (China)

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

Jiangkai-II-class FFG (hull number 529)



Jiangkai-II-class FFG (hull number 548)



# Overview of Activities

