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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

December 24, 2025

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

- At around 3:00 p.m., Thursday, December 18, 2025, JMSDF spotted RFN Steregushchiy-III-class FFG x 1 (hull number 337) sailing northeastward in the waters approximately 120 km south of Yonaguni-jima Island.
- The RFN vessel continued to sail northeastward through the waters between Yonaguni-jima Island and Iriomote-jima Island into the East China Sea.
- This is the same vessel that sailed southwestward through Tsushima Strait on October 3 and sailed southwestward through the waters between Yonaguni-jima Island and Iriomote-jima Island into the Pacific Ocean from October 5 to 6.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

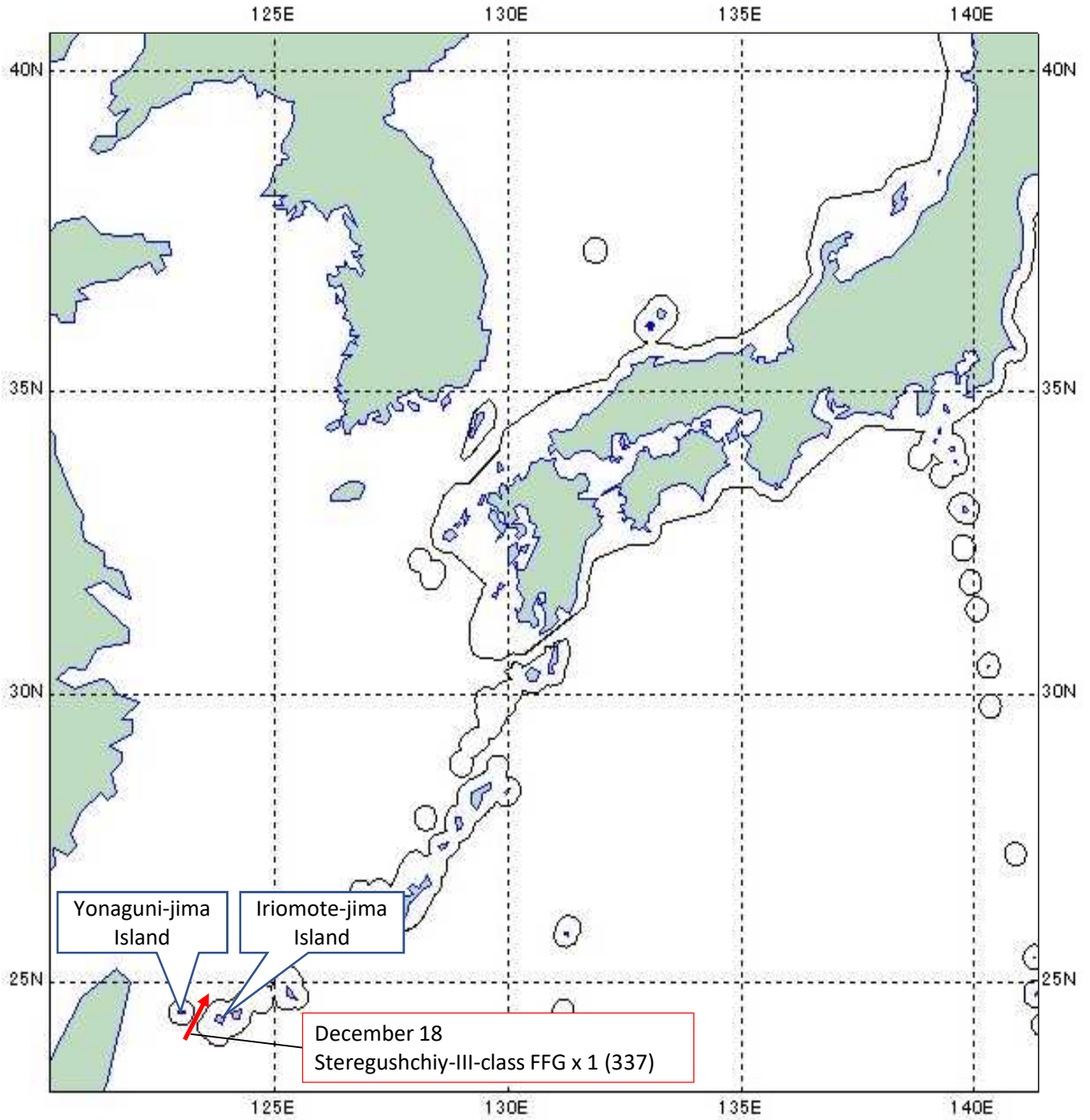
RFN: Russian Federation Navy

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

Steregushchiy-III-class FFG (hull number 337)



Overview of Activities



➔ : RFN vessel

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