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## Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

May 12, 2026

### **The activity of Russian Navy vessels in the waters surrounding Japan.**

- At around 5:00 p.m., Saturday, May 9, 2026, JMSDF spotted the following ten vessels sailing southwestward in the waters approximately 140 km northeast of Tsushima Island.
  - RFN Steregushchiy-class FFG x 2 (hull number 333 and 343)
  - RFN Dubna-class AOR x 1
  - RFN Balk-class ATA x 1
  - Cargo ship x 6
- These vessels continued to sail southwestward through Tsushima Strait into the East China Sea from May 9 to 10.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

#### ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

RFN: Russian Federation Navy

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

AOR: Replenishment Oiler

ATA: Auxiliary Ocean Tug

RFN Steregushchiy-class FFG (hull number 333)



RFN Steregushchiy-class FFG (hull number 343)



RFN Dubna-class AOR



RFN Balk-class ATA

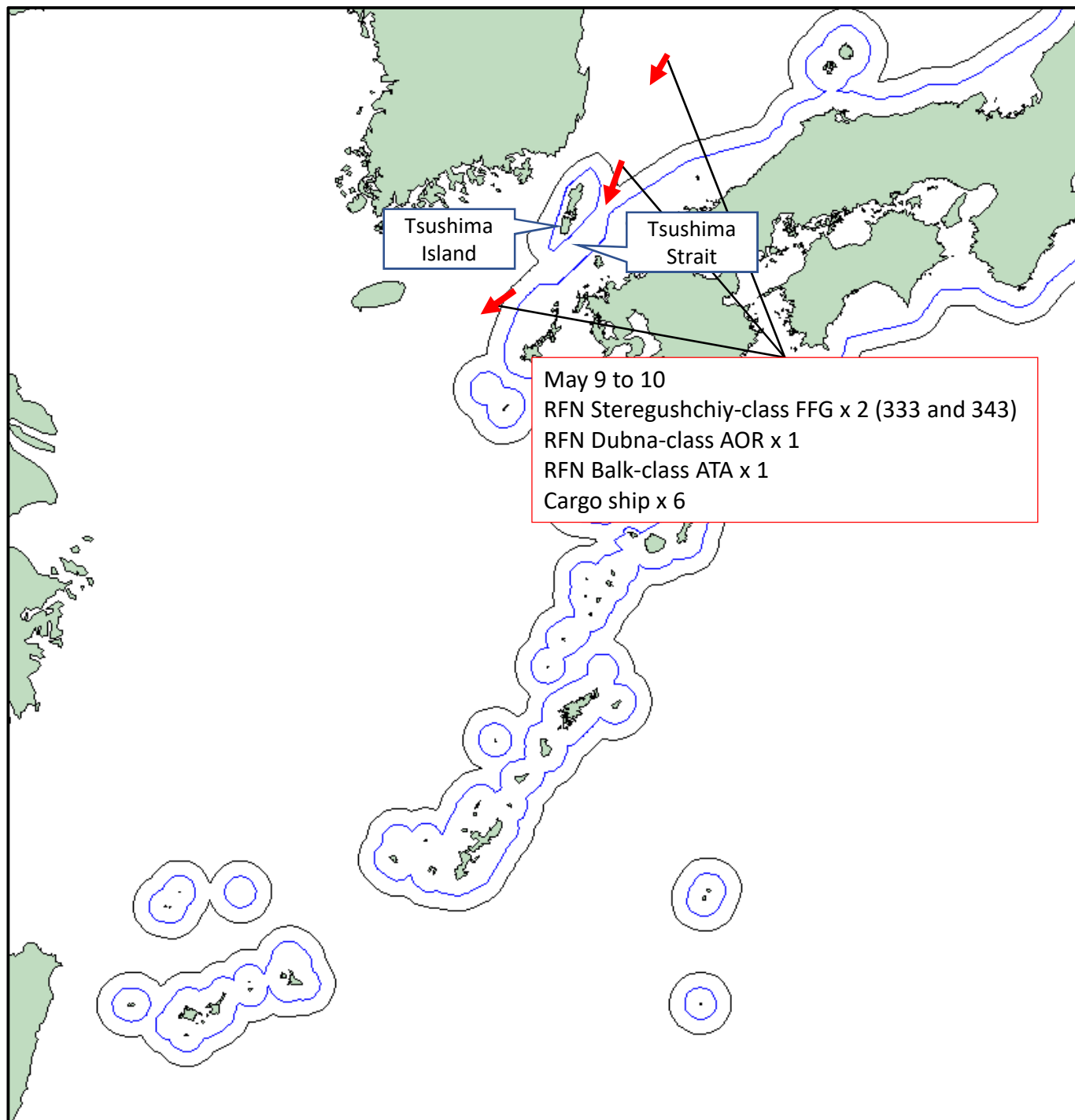


Cargo ship x 6





## Overview of Activities



 : Vessels