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Event Summary/Chinese Military Activities

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Activities of Chinese Navy Aircraft Carrier

- From May 26 2026, JMSDF spotted several PLAN vessels, including Kuznetsov-class CV "Liaoning" (hull number 16), sailing in the Pacific Ocean as follows.

Date	Location	PLAN Vessels (Hull Numbers)
Tue., May. 26	Approx. 1090 km southwest of Okinotori-shima Island	Kuznetsov-class CV "Liaoning" (16) Renhai-class DDG x 1 (104) Jiangkai-III-class FFG x 1 (545)
Wed., May. 27	Approx. 790 km south of Miyako-jima Island	Kuznetsov-class CV "Liaoning" (16) Renhai-class DDG x 1 (104) Luyang-III-class DDG x 1 (124)
Thu., May. 28	Approx. 590 km southwest of Miyako-jima Island	Kuznetsov-class CV "Liaoning" (16) Renhai-class DDG x 1 (104) Luyang-III-class DDG x 1 (124) Jiangkai-III-class FFG x 1 (545) Fuyu-Class AOE x 1 (901)

- In addition, JMSDF observed takeoffs and landings of carrier-based fighters and helicopters as follows.

Date	The number of confirmed takeoffs and landings on the Day
Tue., May. 26	Approx. 80 times
Wed., May. 27	Approx. 50 times
Thu., May. 28	Approx. 40 times

- The number of confirmed takeoffs and landings from May 26 to 28 stood at approximately 170 in total.
- Subsequently, the following PLAN vessels sailed southeastward in the waters east of the Philippines in the Pacific Ocean on May 29.
 - Kuznetsov-class CV "Liaoning" (hull number 16)
 - Renhai-class DDG x 1 (hull number 104)
 - Luyang-III-class DDG x 1 (hull number 124)
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

PLAN: People's Liberation Army Navy (China)

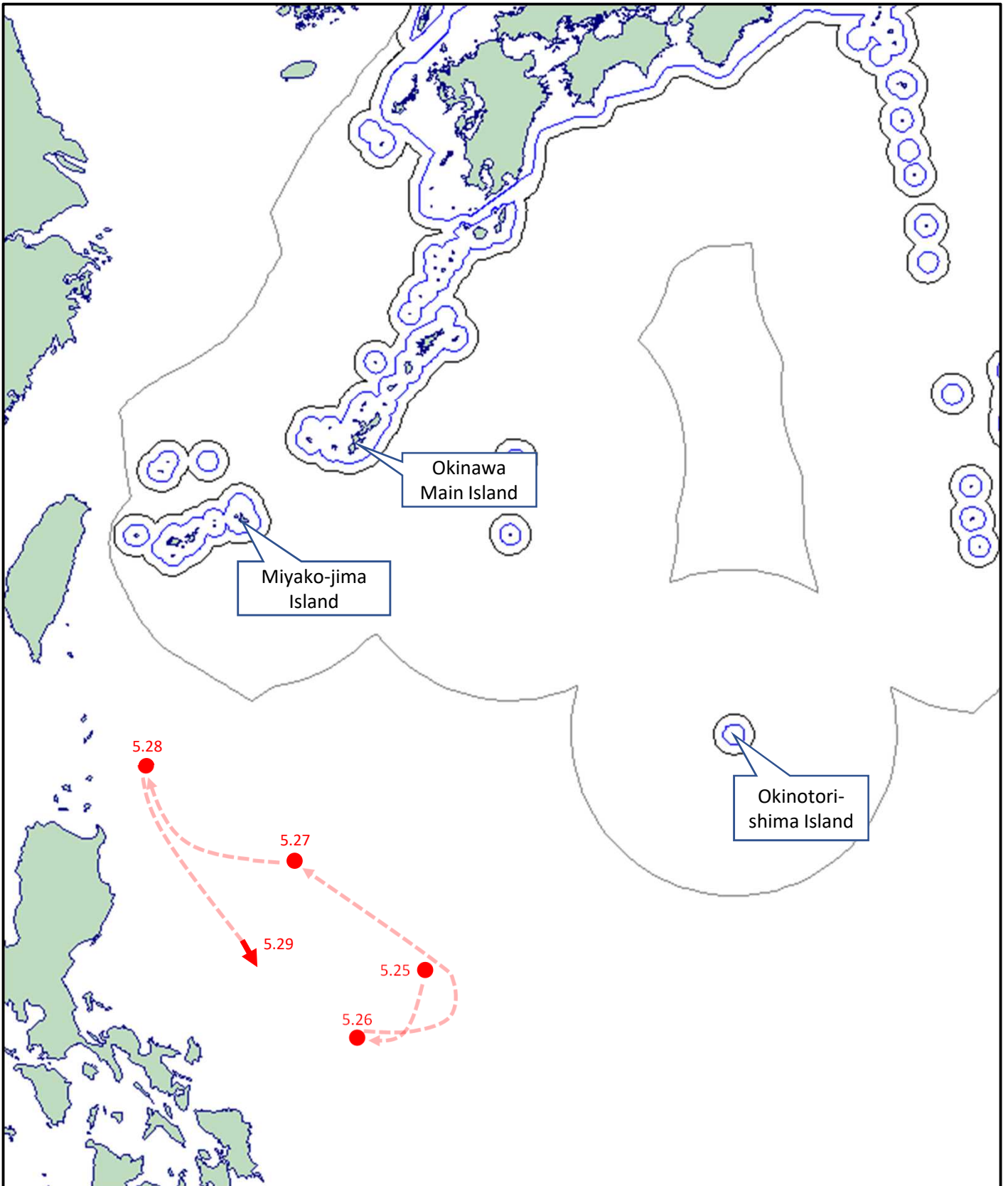
CV: Aircraft Carrier

DDG: Guided Missile Destroyer

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

AOE: Fast Combat Support Vessel

Overview of Activities



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