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Event Summary/Chinese Military Activities

July 8, 2026

The activity of Chinese Navy vessels in the waters surrounding Japan.

- At around 4:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2026, JMSDF spotted PLAN Luyang-II-class DDG x 1 (hull number 153) and Jiangkai-II-class FFG x 1 (hull number 599) sailing westward in the waters approximately 50 km northeast of Amami-Oshima Island.
- These PLAN vessels continued to sail southwestward through the waters between Amami-Oshima Island and Yokoate-jima Island into the East China Sea.
- These are the same vessels that conducted the following activities, which were reported in the previous PRs:
 - Luyang-II-class DDG which sailed eastward through Osumi Strait on June 29.
 - Jiangkai-II-class FFG which sailed southeastward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island on June 26.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

PLAN: People's Liberation Army Navy (China)

DDG: Guided Missile Destroyer

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

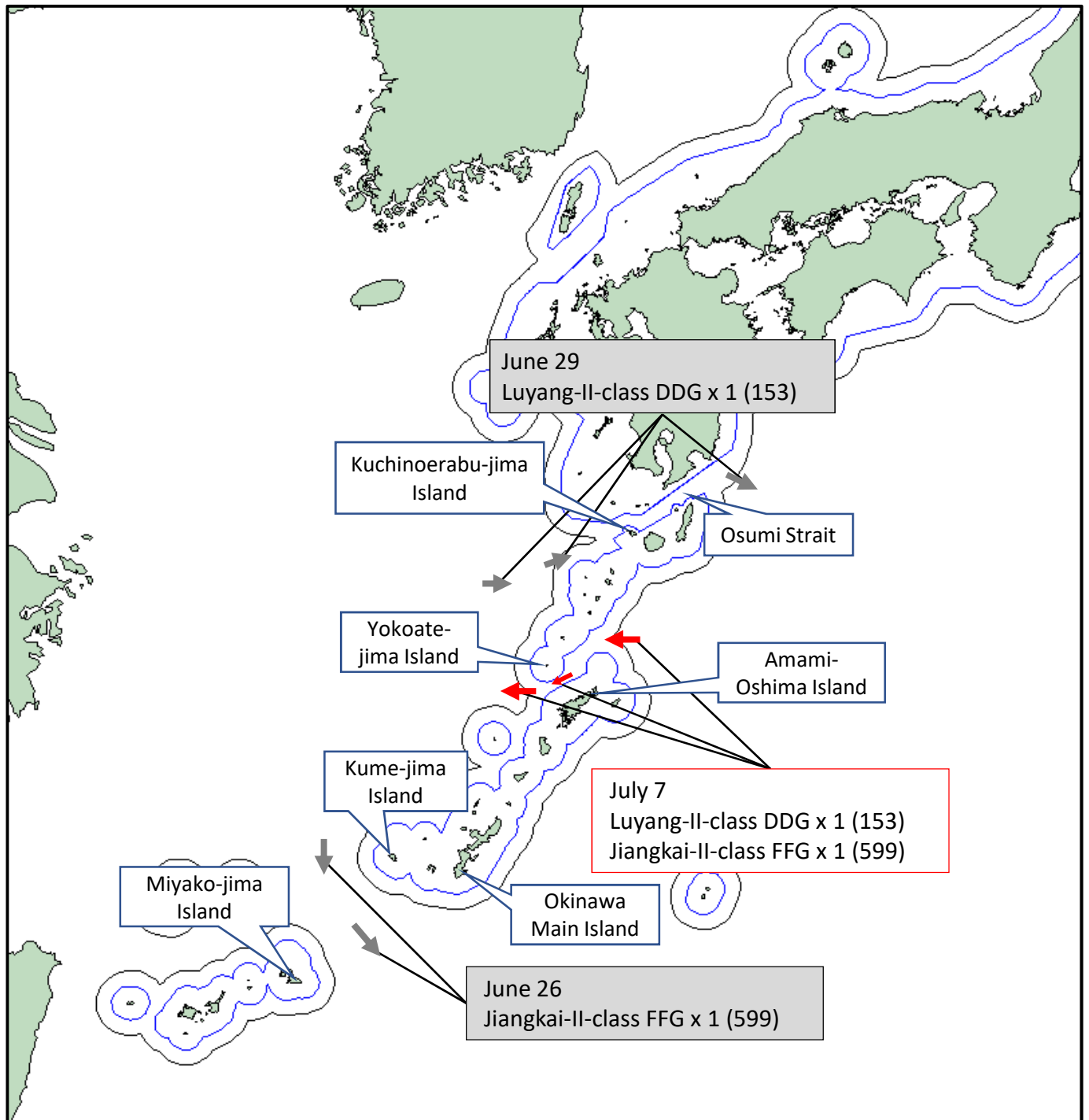
Luyang-II-class DDG (hull number 153)



Jiangkai-II-class FFG (hull number 599)



Overview of Activities



-  : PLAN vessels
-  : This time PR
-  : Previous PRs