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Event Summary/Chinese Military Activities

July 23, 2026

The activity of a Chinese Navy vessel in the waters surrounding Japan.

- At around 3:00 a.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026, JMSDF spotted PLAN spotted PLAN Dongdiao-class AGI x 1 (hull number 796) sailing northeastward in the waters approximately 90 km south of Miyako-jima Island.
- The PLAN AGI continued to sail northwestward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island into the East China Sea on July 19.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

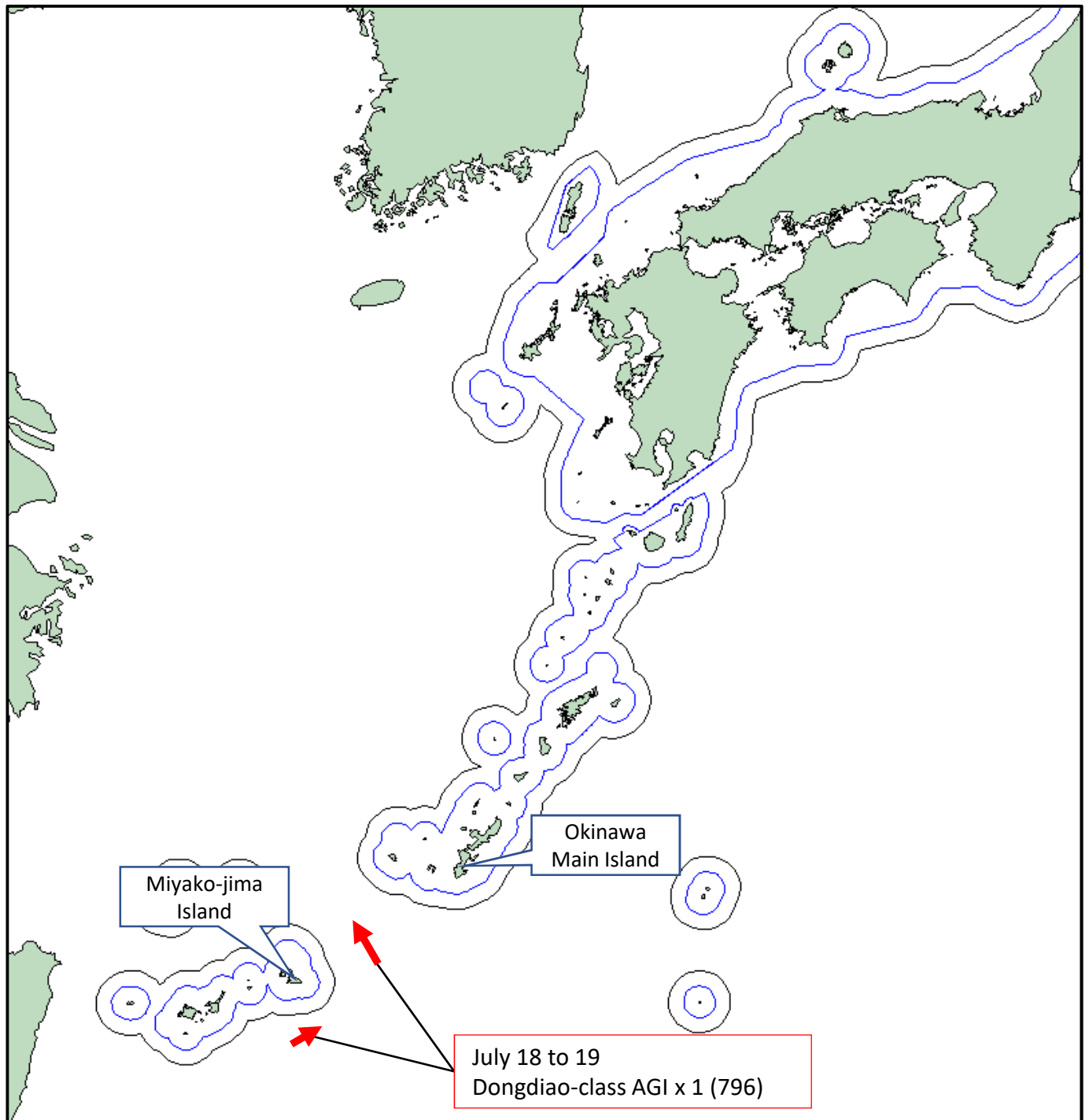
PLAN: People's Liberation Army Navy (China)

AGI: Auxiliary General Intelligence

Dongdiao-class AGI (hull number 796)



Overview of Activities



→ : PLAN vessel