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Event Summary/ Chinese and Russian Military Activities

July 30, 2026

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

- At around 8:00 a.m., Monday, July 27, 2026, JMSDF spotted the following four PLAN and RFN vessels sailing westward in the waters approximately 70 km northeast of Cape Soya.
 - PLAN Renhai-class DDG x 1 (hull number 103)
 - PLAN Luyang-III-class DDG x 1 (hull number 124)
 - PLAN Fuchi-class AOR x 1 (hull number 903)
 - RFN Steregushchiy-class FFG x 1 (hull number 343)
- These vessels continued to sail westward through Soya Strait.
- These are the same vessels that conducted the following activities, which were reported in the previous PRs:
 - Sailed southward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island into the Pacific Ocean on July 16.
 - Sailed northeastward in waters southwest of Okinotori-shima Island on July 19.
 - Sailed northeastward in the waters southeast of Minami-iwo-to Island and sailed northward in the waters east of Iwo-to Island on July 21.
 - Sailed northeastward in the waters to the southeast and northeast of Cape Inubosaki on July 23.
 - Sailed northeastward in the waters southeast of Cape Nosappu on July 25.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force
PLAN: People's Liberation Army Navy (China)
RFN: Russian Federation Navy
DDG: Guided Missile Destroyer
AOR: Replenishment Oiler
FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

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Overview of Activities

