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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

August 19, 2026

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

- At around 4:00 a.m., Saturday, August 15, 2026, JMSDF spotted RFN Udaloy-I-class DD x 1 (hull number 548) sailing westward in the waters approximately 50 km northwest of Cape Soya.
- The RFN vessel continued to sail westward through Soya Strait.
- This is the same vessel sailed eastward through Soya Strait from August 4 to 5.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

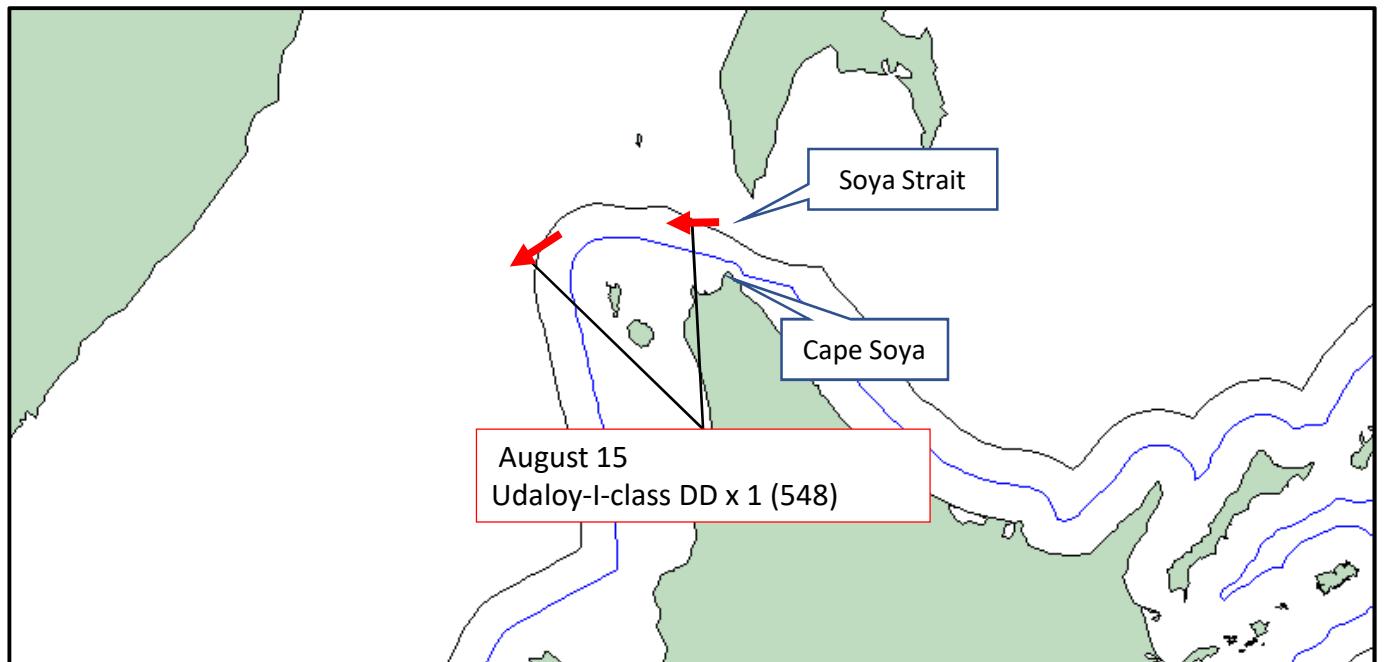
RFN: Russian Federation Navy

DD: Destroyer

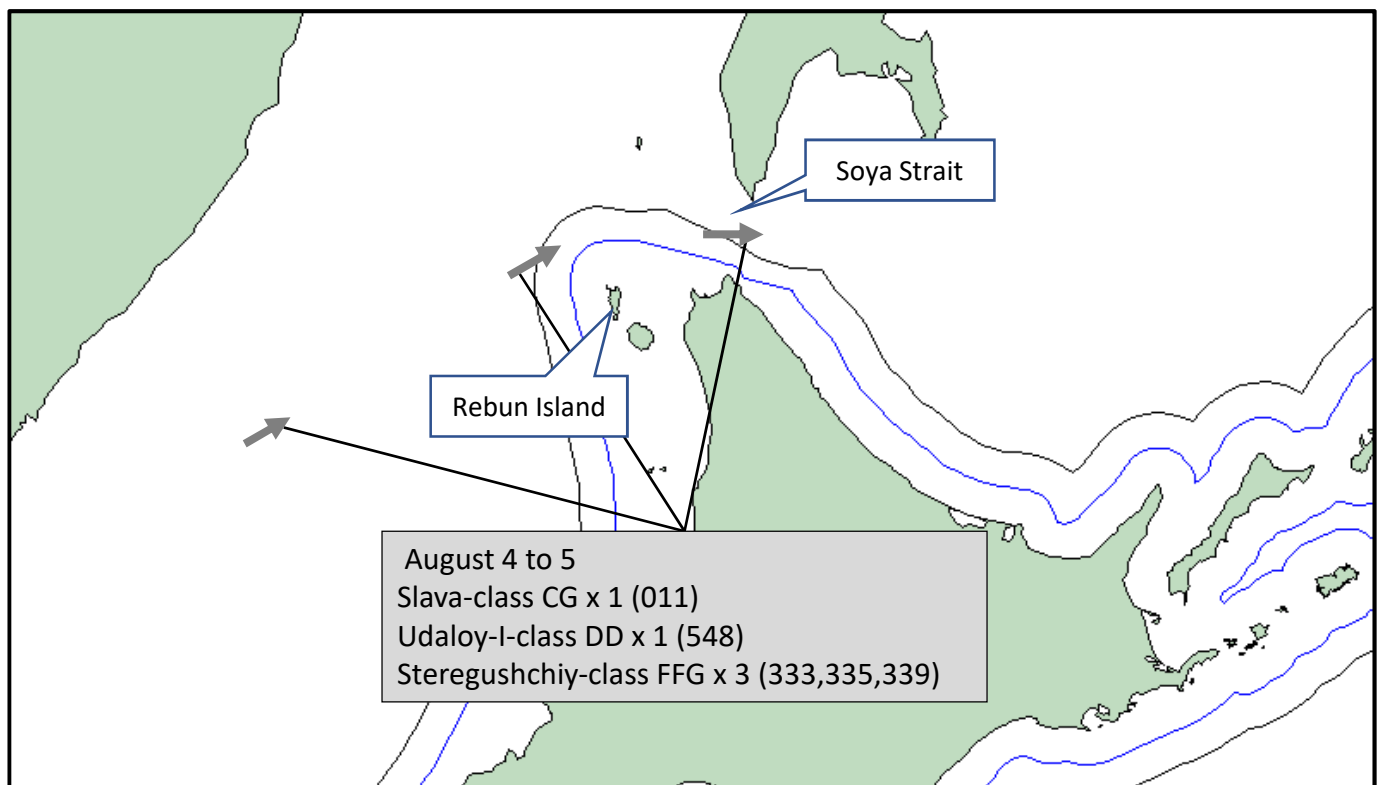
Udaloy-I-class DD (hull number 548)



Overview of Activities



→ : RFN Vessel
□ : This time PR



→ : RFN Vessels
□ : Previous PR