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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

August 25, 2026

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

- At around 0:00 a.m., Friday, August 21, 2026, JMSDF spotted RFN Steregushchiy-class FFG x 3 (hull number 333, 335, 339) sailing westward in the waters approximately 30km north of Cape Soya.
- These RFN vessels continued to sail westward through Soya Strait.
- These are the same vessels that sailed eastward through Soya Strait from August 4 to 5.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

RFN: Russian Federation Navy

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

Steregushchiy-class FFG (hull number 333)



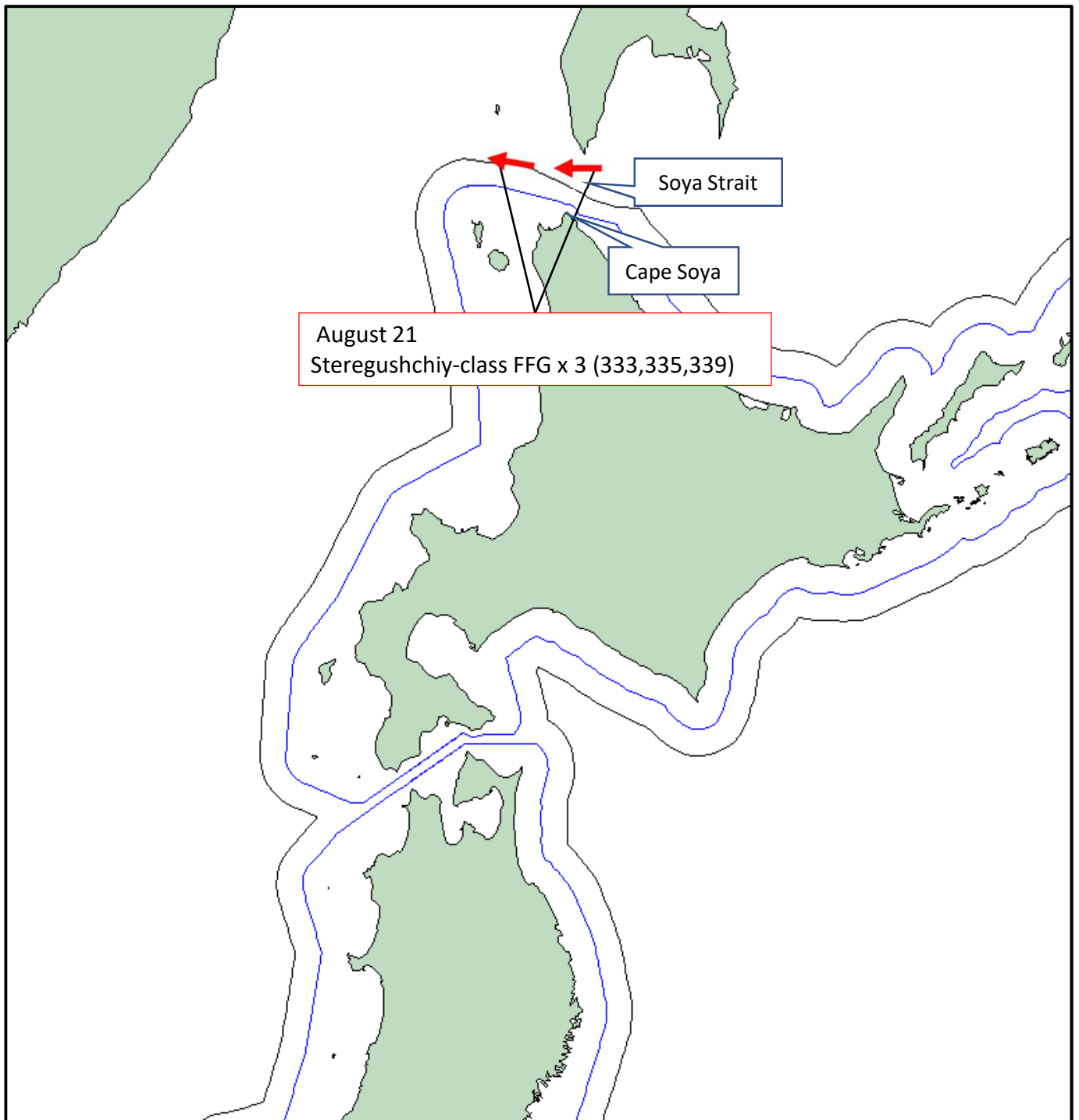
Steregushchiy-class FFG (hull number 335)



Steregushchiy-class FFG (hull number 339)



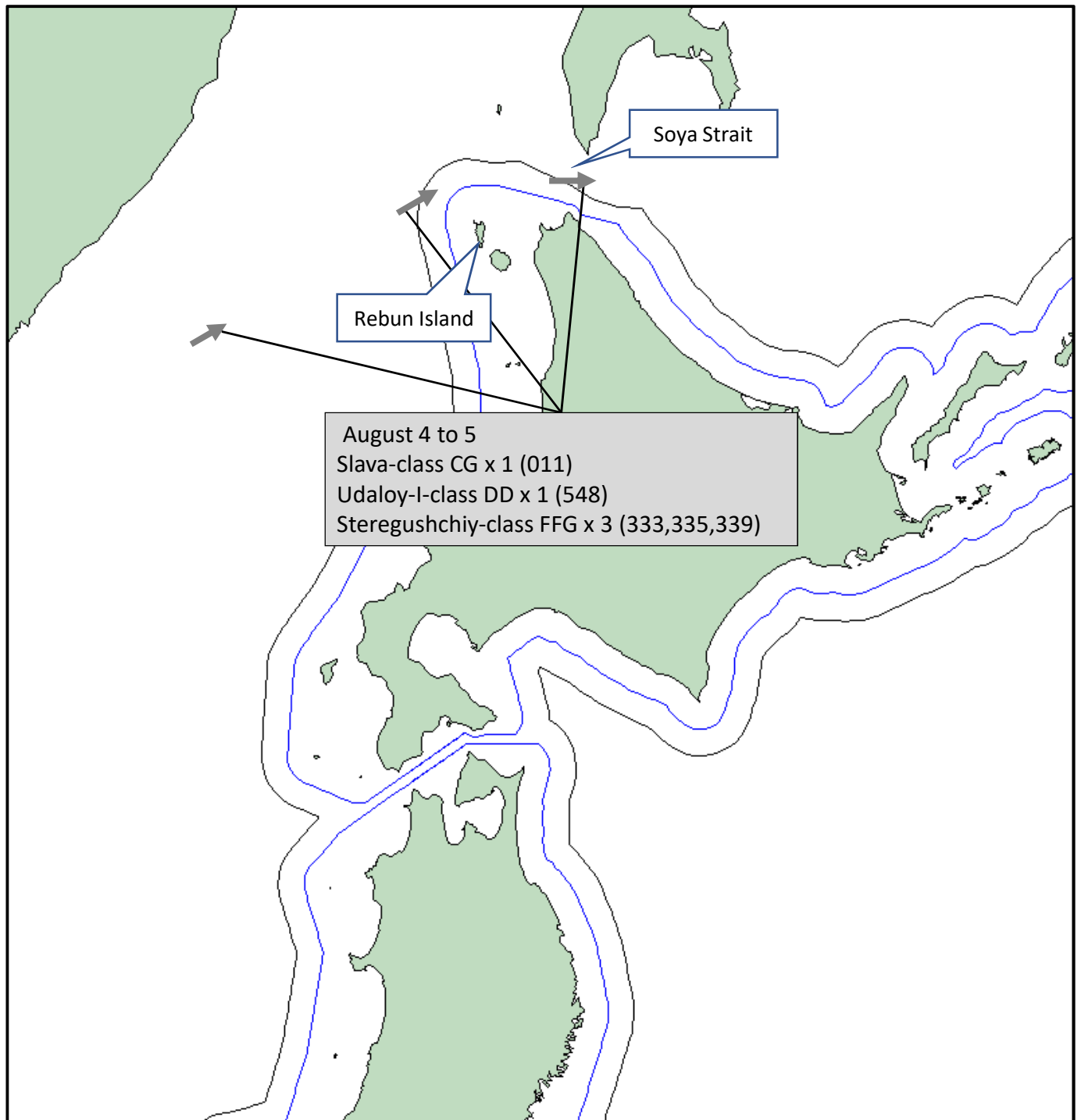
Overview of Activities



→ : RFN Vessels

□ : This time PR

Overview of Activities



→ : RFN Vessels

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