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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

September 8, 2026

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

- At around 8:00 p.m., Sunday, September 6, 2026, JMSDF spotted RFN Steregushchiy-class FFG x 1 (hull number 343) sailing westward in the waters approximately 50km northeast of Cape Soya.
- The RFN FFG continued to sail westward through Soya Strait from September 6 to 7.
- This is the same vessel sailed eastward through Soya Strait on August 31.
- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of the vessel.

ABBREVIATIONS

JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force

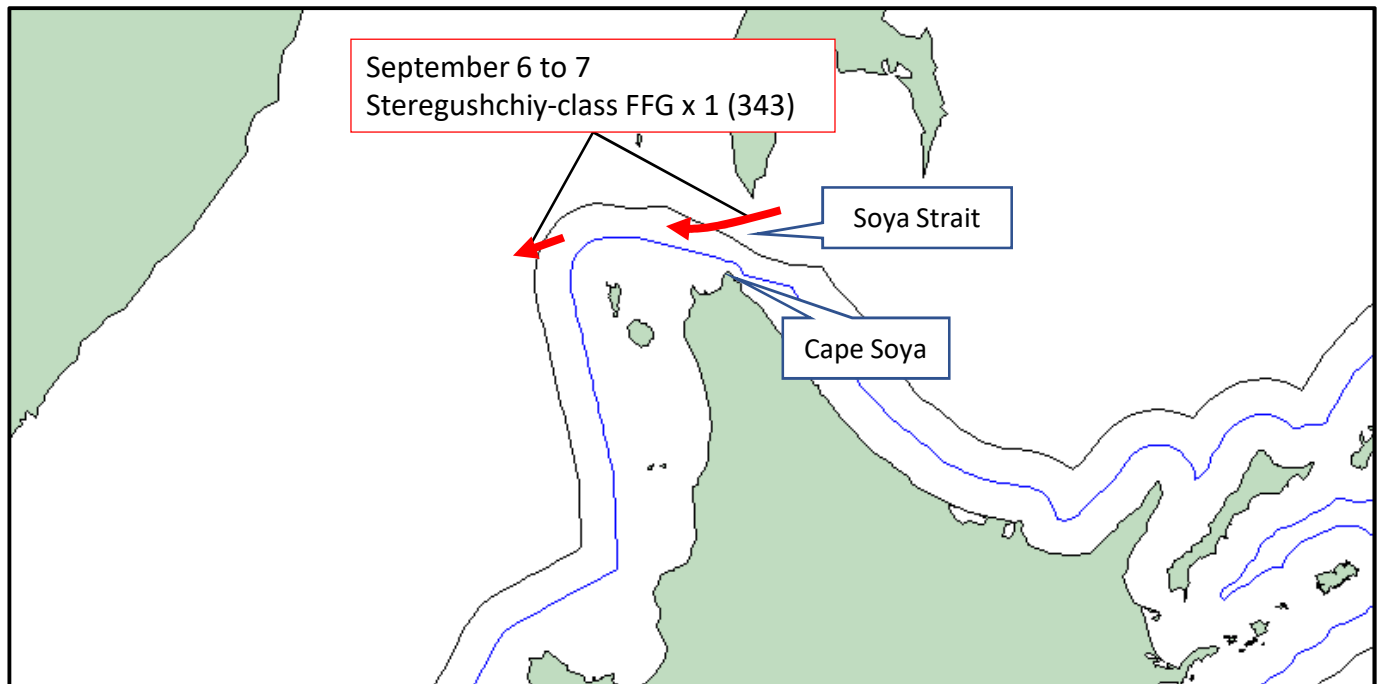
RFN: Russian Federation Navy

FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

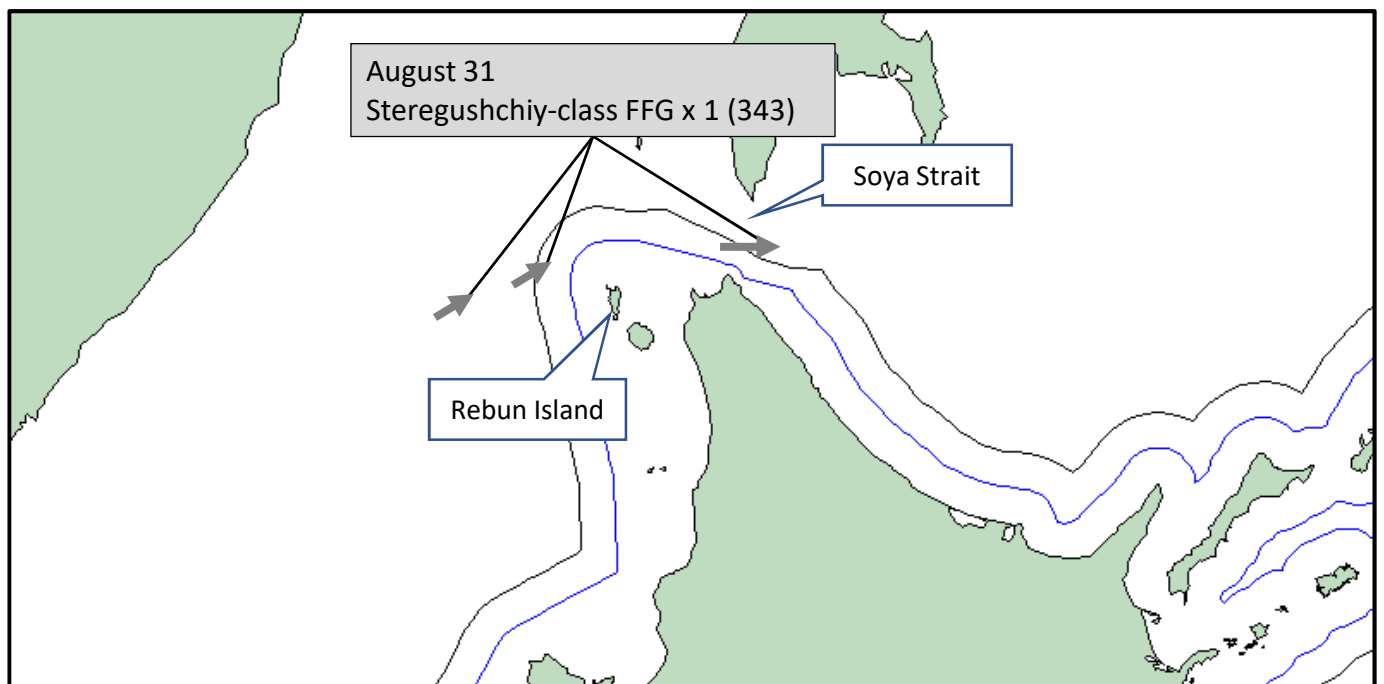
Steregushchiy-class FFG (hull number 343)



Overview of Activities



→ : RFN Vessel
□ : This time PR



→ : RFN Vessel
□ : Previous PR