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Event Summary/ Chinese Military Activities

October 16, 2026

Chinese aircraft activity around Japan

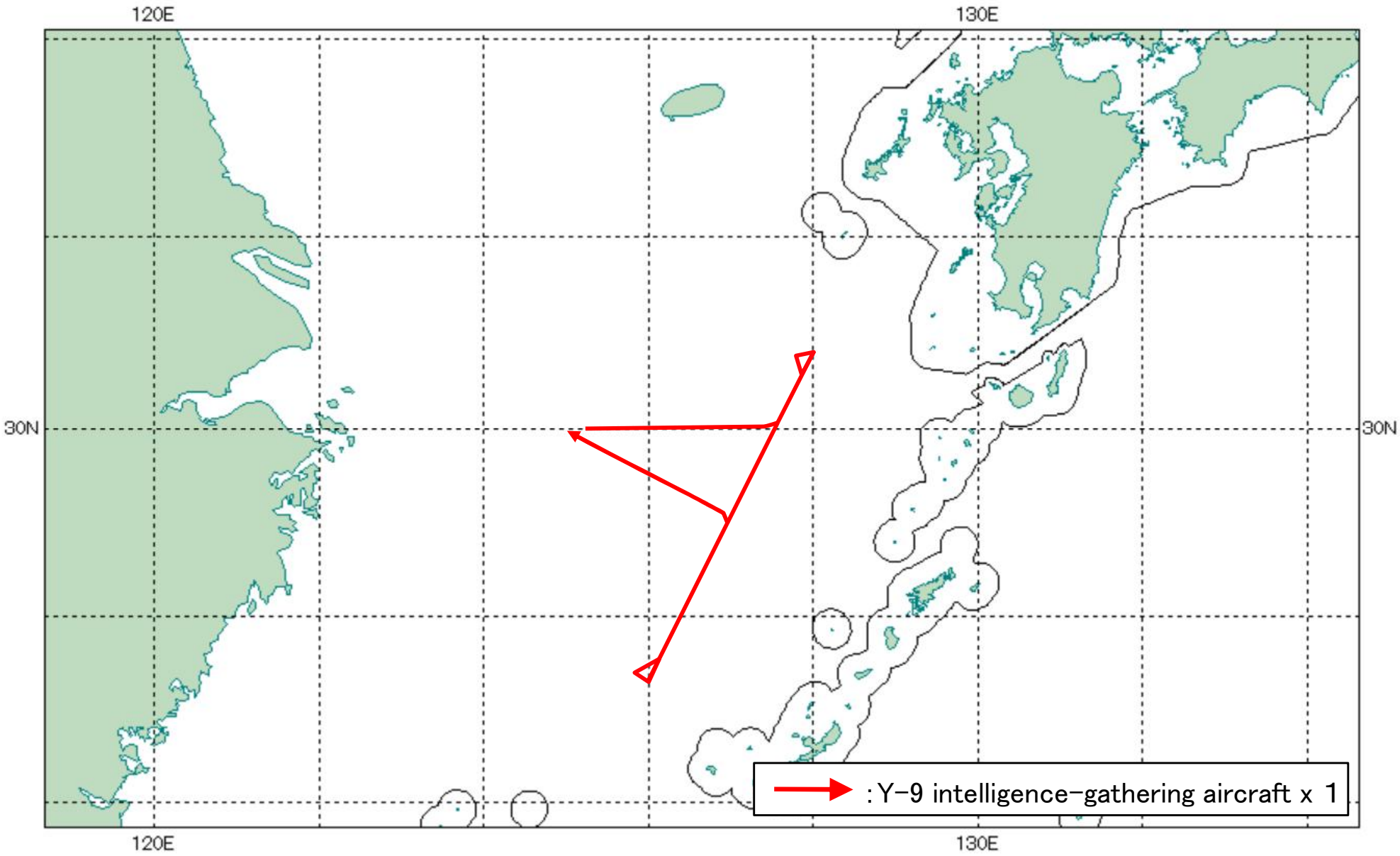
- In the afternoon of Tuesday, October 13, 2026, JASDF spotted a Chinese aircraft over the East China Sea.

- JASDF fighters conducted scrambles to monitor the activity of this aircraft.

ATTACHMENT: Overview of Activity

ABBREVIATIONS
JASDF: Japan Air Self-Defense Force

Overview of Activity



Y-9 intelligence-gathering aircraft



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