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Event Summary/Chinese Military Activities

October 30, 2026

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

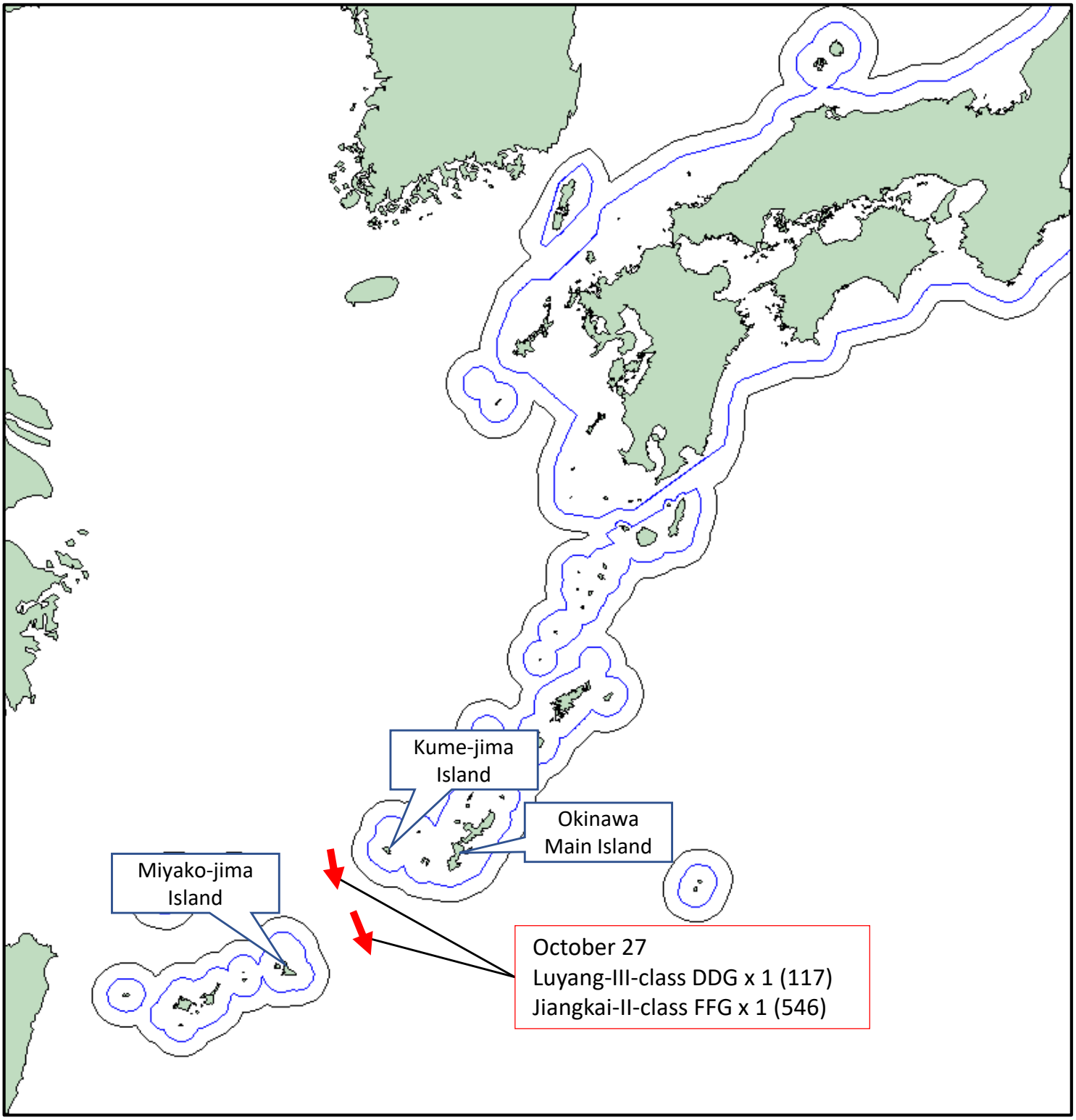
- At around 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 27, 2026, JMSDF spotted PLAN Luyang-III-class DDG x 1 (hull number 117) and Jiangkai-II-class FFG x 1 (hull number 546) sailing southward in the waters approximately 70 km west of Kume-jima Island.

- These PLAN vessels continued to sail southeastward through the waters between Okinawa Main Island and Miyako-jima Island into the Pacific Ocean.

- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

ABBREVIATIONS
JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force
PLAN: People's Liberation Army Navy (China)
DDG: Guided Missile Destroyer
FFG: Guided Missile Frigate

Luyang-III-class DDG (hull number 117)

Jiangkai-II-class FFG (hull number 546)

Overview of Activities