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Event Summary/Russian Military Activities

November 12, 2026

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

- At around 11:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 10, 2026, JMSDF spotted the following three RFN vessels sailing westward in the waters approximately 40 km northeast of Cape Soya.
  - Improved Kilo-class SS x 1
  - Alligator-IV-class LST x 1 (hull number 081)
  - Baklazhan-class ATS x 1

- These RFN vessels continued to sail westward through Soya Strait from November 10 to 11.

- JMSDF assets monitored the activities of these vessels.

ABBREVIATIONS
JMSDF: Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force
RFN: Russian Federation Navy
SS: Attack Submarine
LST: Landing Ship Tank
ATS: Salvage Tug

Improved Kilo-class SS



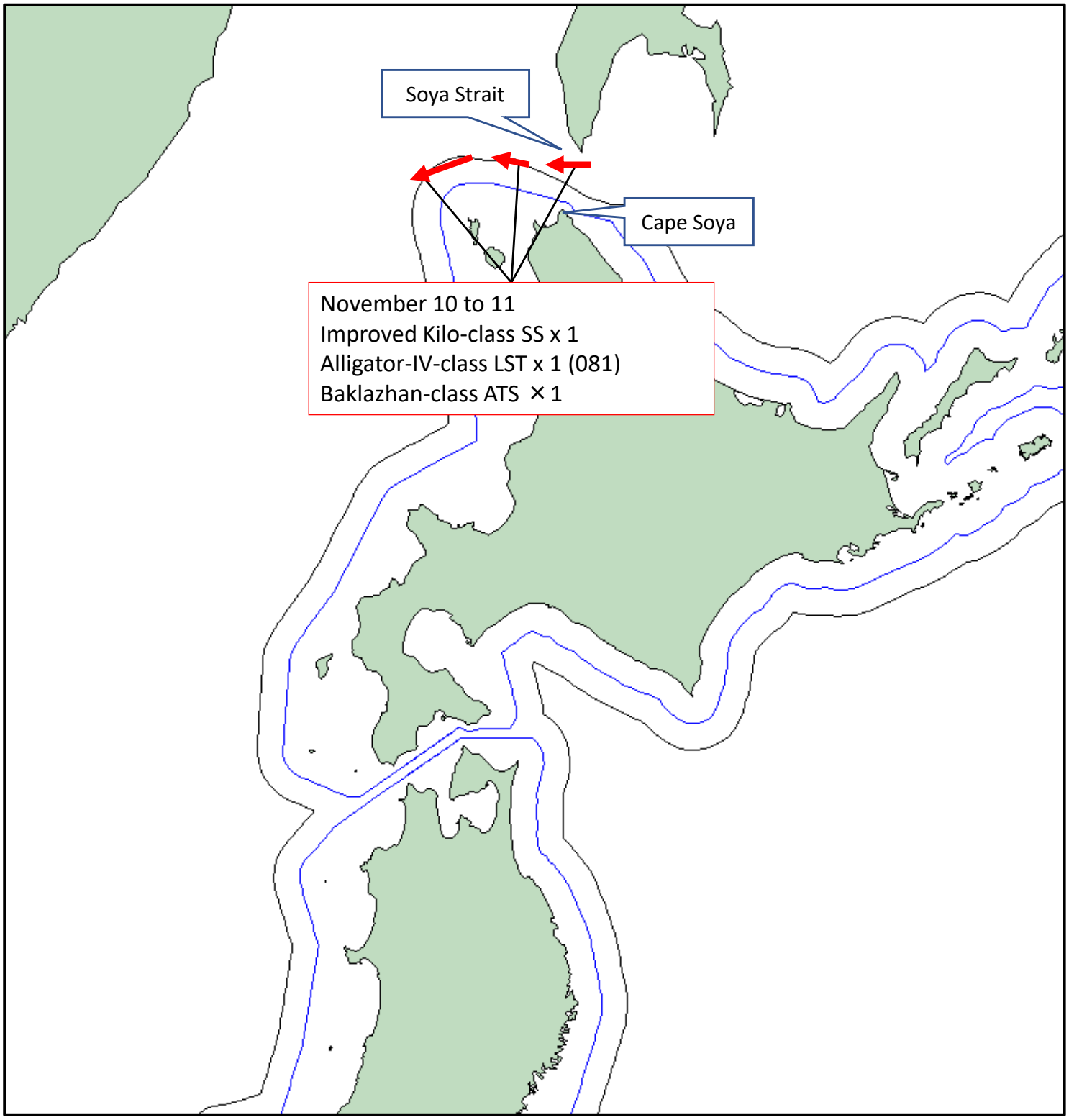
Alligator-IV-class LST (hull number 081)



Baklazhan-class ATS



Overview of Activities



: RFN vessels