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Event Summary/ Chinese Military Activities

November 20, 2026

Chinese aircraft activity around Japan

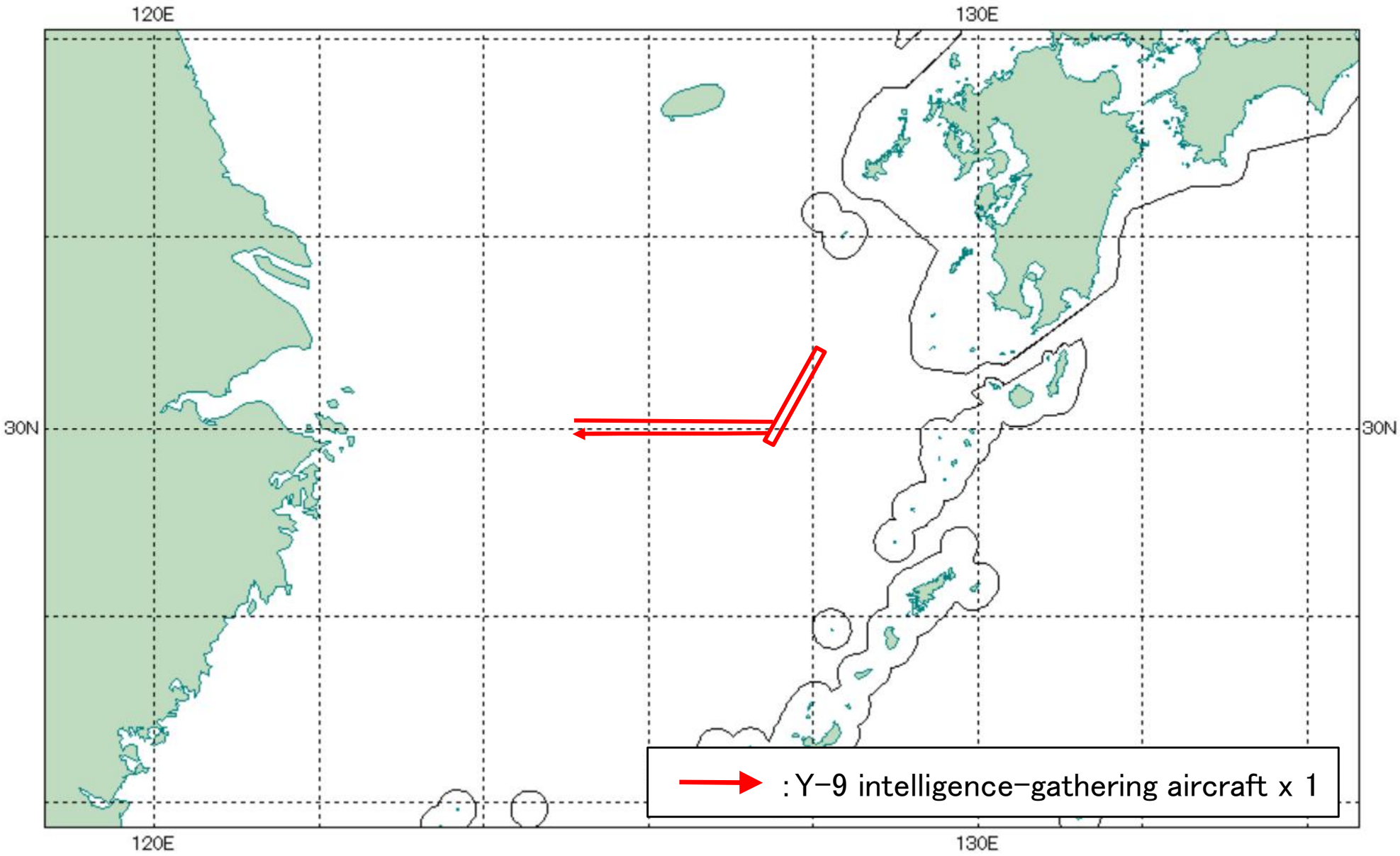
- On the afternoon of Monday, November 16, 2026, JASDF spotted a Chinese aircraft over the East China Sea.

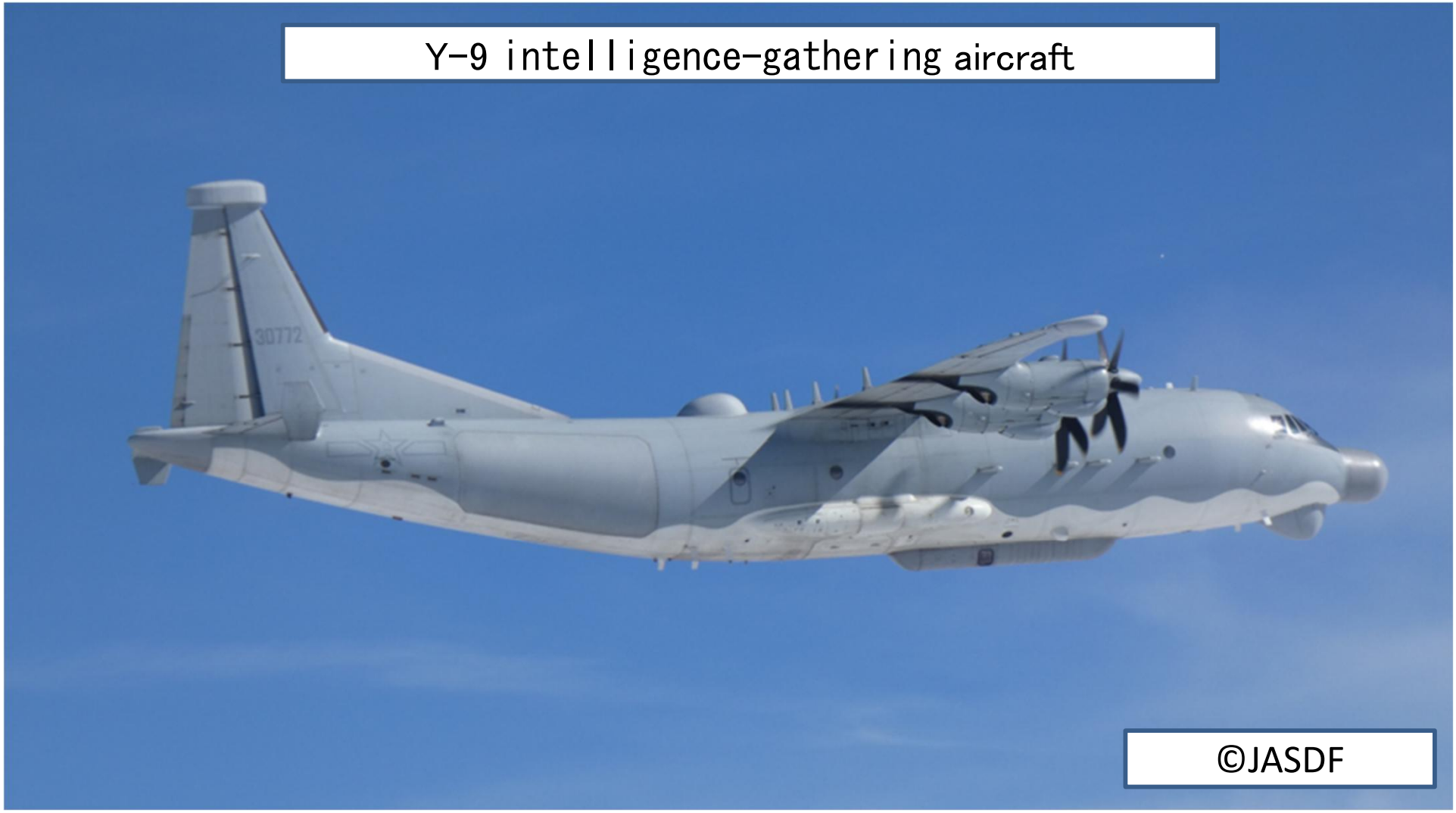
- JASDF fighters conducted scrambles to monitor the activity of this aircraft.

ATTACHMENT: Overview of Activity

ABBREVIATIONS
JASDF: Japan Air Self-Defense Force

Overview of Activity




Y-9 intelligence-gathering aircraft
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