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Navy assets aid in search for downed passenger aircraft in Asia

An AirAsia flight with 162 people from Indonesia to Singapore is missing. Flight QZ 8501 goes missing. Pilot asked for unusual route before losing contact AirAsia Flight from Indonesia to Singapore is missing, the airline announced in a statement. "AirAsia Indonesia regrets to confirm that flight QZ8501 from Surabaya to Singapore has lost contact with air traffic control at 07:24hrs this morning." There are 162 people aboard the Airbus A320-200, Hadi Mustofa, an official of the transportation ministry told Indonesia's MetroTV.



USS Sampson DDG-102



USS Fort Worth LCS-3

From The Associated Press. U S Navy sources have confirmed that the USS Sampson DDG-102 and USS Fort Worth LCS-3 have been sent to the area to assist with the search for bodies and luggage from the airliner, which was reported to have crashed according to late reports from Indonesian authorities.

Taiwan looking to enhance submarine fleet

The Republic of China (Taiwan), India, Vietnam, Philippines, Thailand and Australia are among the nations planning to or currently revitalizing their submarine services in Asia.

Additionally China and Russia are constantly making news with new submarine entering service.



ROCS Hai Hu (SS-794)

The Republic of China (Taiwan) Navy has four submarines, two older U S diesel submarines (ex-USS Cutlass SS-478 as ROCS Hai Shin SS-791 (training platform) and ex-USS Tusk SS-426 as ROCS Hai Pao SS-792 plus two 32 year old Dutch built "Zwaardvis" class submarines ROCS Hai Lung SS-793 and ROCS Hia Hu SS-794. An order for four additional submarines to be built by the Dutch was turned down in 1992 due to pressure from The Peoples Republic of China. Feeling pressure their self from mainland China, Taiwan is feeling the need to modernize their Naval assets, including a plan to build new submarines in ROC. They were promised four new US built diesel submarines during the Bush 41 presidency, but the plan was never fulfilled. The US has not built a diesel submarine in over 45 years.

2015 event cancels waiting for approval



Last Day
in Commission Sta.
Heritage of Gallantry
Everett, WA 98201



Decommissioning Sta.
January 14, 2015
San Diego
CA 92110



Last Day in
Commission Sta.
January 30, 2015
Norfolk, VA 23511



CHRISTENING STATION
USNS LEWIS B. PULLER
(T-MLP 3/AFSB 1)

February 7, 2015
SAN DIEGO, CA 92110



10th Anniversary Station



Feb 19, 2015
Groton, CT 06340



20th Anniversary Station



Feb 24, 2015
Norfolk, VA 23513

All cancels are awaiting approval and were designed by Wolfgang Hechler. Some of the FFG cancels are for the Last Day in Commission, not the Decommissioning ceremonies (Inactivation) held earlier. Everett WA is in a quandary on what happened to our request. I snet it Certified Mail and you can track it form the day I amiled it, through Philadlphia, and arrival and departure from Bremerton WA. But no scan for arrival at Everett WA. Several calls have been met with "I'll call you back" to "you mailed it to the wrong office". No one has addressed the fact that they "lost" a certified piece of mail.

China builds the world's largest coast guard cutters



From Want China Times 1/10/15
China is building the world's largest class of coast guard cutters to use as sea bases in its future territorial conflicts over the East and South China Seas, said American defense journalist Tyler Rogoway in Foxtrot Alpha, an online military magazine based in the United States. These cutters are three times larger then the new USCG Legend-class National Security Cutters.

Check out the naval items on eBay. Proceeds go to Decatur Chapter. Seller: CGCOVERGUY

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