

Decatur Chapter Newseyletter

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Chinese Warships Made 'Innocent Passage' Through U.S. Territorial Waters off Alaska



PLAN amphibious ship *Changbashi*

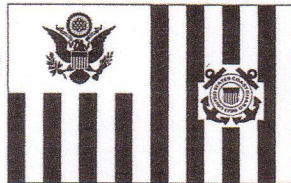
After performing naval maneuvers in International waters in the Bering Sea, the exiting Chinese warships traveled through U S Territorial waters while leaving the area. Reports called the transit "innocent passage", in accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

According to Chinese press reports, the PLAN sent Type 051C Luzhou-class guided missile destroyer *Shenyang* (115), Russian-built Sovremennyy-class guided destroyer *Taizhou* (138), Type 54A Jiangkai II frigates *Linyi* (547) and *Hengyang* (568), Type 071 amphibious warship *Changbaishan*, Type 072A tank landing ship (LST) *Yunwushan* (997) and Type 903 fleet oiler *Taihu* to the exercise.

Additional pictorial cancels planned in 2015



Cadet Summer Cruise
August 16, 2015
New London CT 06320



The above cancel is available at Groton CT 06340



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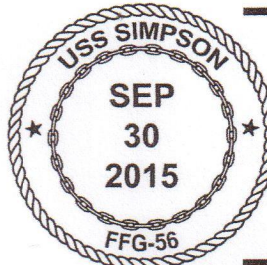
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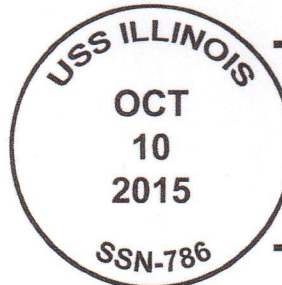
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