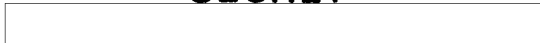


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MISSILE-EQUIPPED COMBATANTS

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: TWO NEW CLASS AND ONE MODIFIED CRUISE MISSILE-EQUIPPED COMBATANTS WERE OBSERVED TOGETHER AT AN OPERATIONAL NAVAL BASE FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE VESSELS ARE PRODUCTS OF A MAJOR SHIPBUILDING/MODIFICATION PROGRAM WHICH BEGAN IN MID-1980.
2. (SWN) REMARKS: THE SOJU MISSILE ATTACK BOAT (PTG), THE SOHO FRIGATE (FF), AND THE NAJIN CORVETTE (FFL) WERE OBSERVED TOGETHER AT TOEJO-DONG NAVAL BASE AND MISSILE SUPPORT FACILITY FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE THREE VESSELS HAVE PROBABLY REACHED OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY.

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(SWN) THE SOHO FF (FORMERLY KNOWN BY THE NPIC INTERIM DESIGNATOR NAJ-A) IS A HELICOPTER LANDING PAD-EQUIPPED CATAMARAN WHICH HAS FOUR STYX CRUISE MISSILE LAUNCHERS (GRAPHIC 1). OTHER MAJOR ARMAMENT INCLUDES ONE PROBABLE 100MM MAIN GUN, TWO TWIN 57MM DUAL PURPOSE GUNS, AND FOUR RBU-1200 ANTISUBMARINE ROCKET LAUNCHERS. IT WAS LAUNCHED FROM NAJIN SHIPYARD NUMBER 28 IN EARLY 1982 AND CONDUCTED SEA TRIALS IN MID-1982 IN THE TOEJO-DONG AREA.

(SWN) THE SOJU PTG IS AN INDIGENOUS COPY OF THE SOVIET-BUILT OSA I-CLASS PTG AND IS EQUIPPED WITH FOUR SS-N-2 (STYX) CRUISE MISSILE LAUNCHERS (GRAPHIC 2). IT IS ALSO EQUIPPED WITH AN INDIGENOUSLY-PRODUCED DRUM TILT RADAR-CONTROLLED ANTI-AIRCRAFT SYSTEM. THE SOJU PTG IS FOUR METERS LONGER THAN THE OSA I. THIS UNIT WAS LAUNCHED FROM NAJIN SHIPYARD NUMBER 28 IN MID-1981 AND REMAINED AT THE SHIPYARD UNTIL AT LEAST OCTOBER 1982. THREE ADDITIONAL UNITS OF THIS CLASS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

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(SWN) THE NAJIN FFL UNDERWENT MODIFICATION TO EQUIP IT WITH TWO STYX CRUISE MISSILE LAUNCHERS AND IMPROVE ITS MAIN GUN BATTERY AT NAJIN SHIPYARD NUMBER 28 BETWEEN 1980 AND 1982. THE STYX CRUISE MISSILE LAUNCHERS REPLACED THE TORPEDO TUBES, AND ITS TWO 100MM MAIN GUNS WERE PROBABLY UPGRADED TO 130MM

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(GRAPHIC 2). IT ACCOMPANIED THE SOHO FF TO THE TOEJO-DONG AREA IN AUGUST 1982. PRIOR TO THE MODIFICATION PROGRAM THE NAJIN FFL WAS BASED AT TOEJO-DONG.

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3. (S) [Redacted] COORDINATES 39-52-20N 127-47-05E

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