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Thread: [China builds mockups of U.S. Navy ships in area used for missile target practice](#)

Eternal. - November 8, 2021, 7:29 pm

<https://www.reuters.com/world/china/china-builds-mockups-us-navy-ships-area-used-missile-target-practice-2021-11-08/> Wrote:BEIJING, Nov 8 (Reuters) - China's military has built mockups in the shape of a U.S. Navy aircraft carrier and other U.S. warships, possibly as training targets, in the desert of Xinjiang, satellite images by Maxar showed on Sunday.

These mockups reflect China's efforts to build up anti-carrier capabilities, specifically against the U.S. Navy, as tensions remain high with Washington over Taiwan and the South China Sea.

The satellite images showed a full-scale outline of a U.S. carrier and at least two Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyers had been built at what appears to be a new target range complex in the Taklamakan Desert.

The images also showed a 6-meter-wide rail system with a ship-sized target mounted on it, which experts say could be used to simulate a moving vessel.

The complex has been used for ballistic missile testing, the U.S. Naval Institute reported, quoting geospatial intelligence company All Source Analysis.

For a graphic, click [here](#)

China's anti-ship missile programs are overseen by the People's Liberation Army Rocket Force (PLARF). China's defence ministry did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

According to the Pentagon's latest annual report on China's military, the PLARF conducted its first confirmed live-fire launch into the South China Sea in July 2020, firing six DF-21 anti-ship ballistic missiles into the waters north of the Spratly Islands, where China has territorial disputes with Taiwan and four Southeast Asian countries.

The tests at sea may have shown China "they are still far from creating an accurate ASBM," said Collin Koh, a research fellow at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies in Singapore. "I don't think the desert targets are going to be the final stage. It's meant for further refinement."

An anti-ship ballistic missile test in the desert would not reflect the realistic conditions of a marine environment, which could affect sensors and targeting, but would allow China to carry out the tests more securely, Koh said.

"The best way to test it and keep it out of the prying eyes of the U.S. military and intelligence assets is to do it inland," he said.

Neighbouring countries, concerned about the missiles hitting other ships around the target, might also object to China's testing at sea, he added.

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken said in July this year that the United States will defend the Philippines if it comes under attack in the South China Sea and warned China to cease its "provocative behaviour".

Seems that China is preparing for interference from the US in a future naval war. Anyone worried?

Mortician - November 9, 2021, 10:38 am

stock up food and ammo message for the ones who don't , war is inevitable for the u.s since it's economy relies on it to an extent

Calibur - November 9, 2021, 9:24 pm

(Nov 8, 2021 08:29 PM)Eternal. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Seems that China is preparing for interference from the US in a future naval war. Anyone worried?

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Itachi Uchiha - November 11, 2021, 1:39 pm

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Omniscient - November 16, 2021, 12:55 pm

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Eternal. - November 17, 2021, 8:25 pm

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Maybe. It seems to be effective for propaganda purposes against the US and within their own country.

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That will be a sight to see.

(Nov 16, 2021 01:55 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) China continues to clearly place us as their enemy and yet America basically ignores everything they do. I don't understand it.

Politics between our countries are confusing, but hell, even in general.

I'm sure there are people who do understand it, and with my limited understanding, I'd say it's all business bullshit between our countries. We both profit from having the other as a "Devil" figure propaganda-wise.

That said, I believe the times of America being "world police" are at an end.

Calibur - November 18, 2021, 4:18 am

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Actually that's a good point. Hollywood actually does a better job than our politicians at warning us of real dangers. I'm trying to think of a movie I would consider anti-Chinese or where the bad guy is the CCP. I'm having a really hard time. Usually it's Russia, N. Korea, or even the Middle East.

Maybe you should read this...

<https://www.yahoo.com/now/propaganda-films-over-chinas-box-160639106.html>