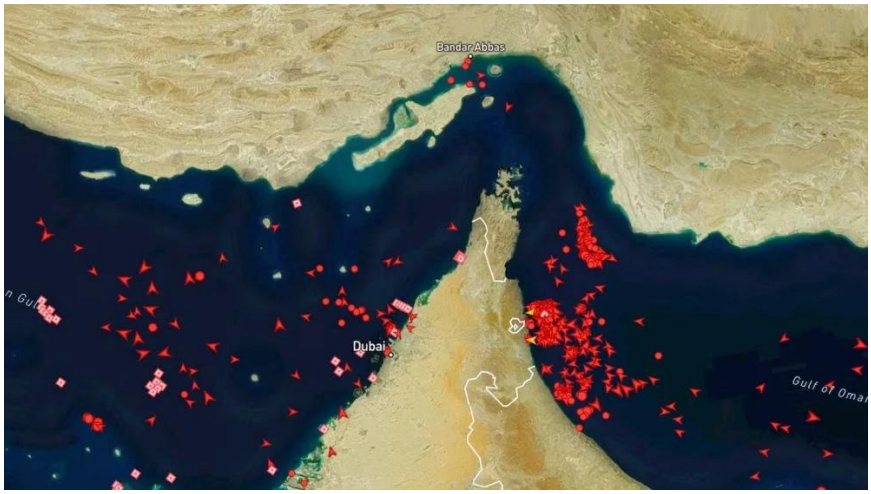
IRGC Forces US Navy to Retreat in the Strait of Hormuz



The Strait of Hormuz

The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) of Iran has reportedly compelled US naval forces to withdraw from positions near the Strait of Hormuz in the Gulf of Oman. The information was reported by Iran's state-run Press TV.

The incident began around an Iranian-flagged vessel named Touska. While attempting to pass through the Strait of Hormuz, the ship came under interception by US forces. Washington alleged that the vessel violated its imposed naval restrictions. US naval units later targeted the ship and forced it to turn back toward Iranian waters.

In response, IRGC naval units quickly arrived at the scene. According to the report, their rapid deployment and operational presence altered the situation, leading US forces to leave the area.

The development has further escalated tensions between Washington and Tehran, despite an ongoing ceasefire arrangement. The United States has not yet issued any official statement regarding the incident.

The Strait of Hormuz is one of the world's most critical maritime chokepoints. At one time, nearly 20 percent of global crude oil and liquefied natural gas passed through this route. Earlier this month, following the collapse of Iran-US talks, Washington tightened naval restrictions in the region, significantly disrupting shipping activity to Iranian ports. Iran's IRGC had previously imposed a virtual blockade over the same waterway.