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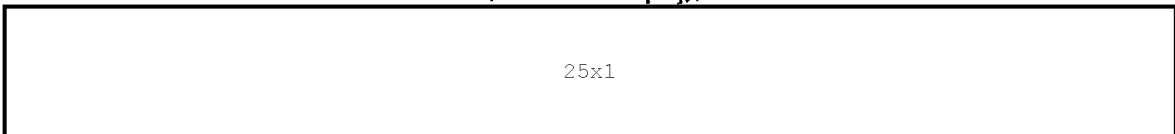
TIME: 1000 EDT

SUBJECT: Soviet Augment Mediterranean Squadron's Amphibious Capability

REFERENCE: RUI 170826Z

1. (C/NFD) One Soviet ALLIGATOR-Class tank landing ship (LST) and three POLNOCNY-Class medium landing ships (LSM) transited the Turkish Straits southbound earlier today.
2. (C/NFD) The arrival of these units increased the Soviet inventory of amphibious units in the Mediterranean to a total of eight. This total reflects three ALLIGATORS and five POLNOCNYS.
3. (C/NFD) Additionally, the Soviet Mediterranean squadron was further augmented today with the arrival of a stores ship from the Black Sea.  
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