Will Naval Power Close the South China Sea Chapter?

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Advanced Fighter/Strike Aircraft
Short Range Ballistic Missiles
Advanced Attack Submarines
Advanced ASCM Capable Surface Combatants (DDG/DD/FF)

= 25 Fighters
= 3 Submarines
= 5 Surface Vessels
= 25 Ballistic Missiles
= 1 Aircraft Carrier

4.2 per year DDG/DD/FFs (2010-2014)

- Source: CRS 2014

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Airstrip Comparison in the South China Sea

AIRCRAFT CAPABILITIES
- Cargo plane
- Surveillance plane
- Fighter jet
- Bomber

Spratly Island, Vietnam
Thitu Island, Philippines
Fiery Cross Reef, China

3,000 m
1,000 m
550 m

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