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“Australia will not be prevented from asserting its ‘right of freedom of navigation throughout the world’s oceans”.

-(VNEexpress 20/5) [Vietnam calls for peace efforts after Chinese military aircraft reported in troubled waters](#) : Vietnam's foreign ministry on Thursday dismissed any activities in the East Sea without Hanoi's consent as illegal.

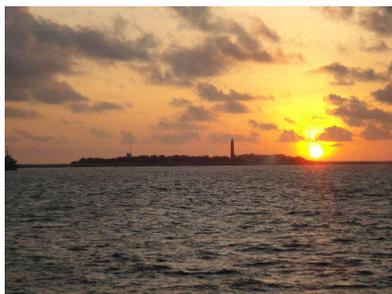
-(Reuters 18/4) [Philippines verifying photos of China military aircraft on reef](#) : The Philippines may lodge a protest with China against the reported presence of two military aircraft on Mischief Reef.

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-(Strait Times 16/4) [China's naval parade in SCS showcases growing prowess of navy](#) : The Chinese navy showed almost all of its new hardware delivered during the past 10 years in its latest military display in the SCS.

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