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Office of the White House Press Secretary

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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The following information was made available at 3 p.m. today at the Pentagon:

MEMORANDUM FOR CORRESPONDENTS:

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The following Notice to Mariners (#NR45) was issued by the Defense Mapping Agency Hydrographic Center at 7:15 p.m. EDT, May 12:

"Special Warning: Shipping is advised until further notice to remain more than 35 nautical miles off the coast of Cambodia and more than 20 nautical miles off the coast of Vietnam including off lying islands. Recent incidents have been reported of firing on, stopping and detention of ships within waters claimed by Cambodia, particularly in vicinity of Poulou Wai Island. This warning in no way should be construed as United States recognition of Cambodian or Vietnamese territorial sea claims or as derogation of the right of innocent passage for United States flag vessels, or derogation of the freedom of the high seas."

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