

China shows off navy on 60th anniversary

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QINGDAO, China -- China is showing off some of its latest warships, including a nuclear-powered submarine, to celebrate its navy's 60th anniversary in the port city of Qingdao.

A naval parade also included 25 Chinese ships and 31 aircraft, as well as 21 vessels showcased from 14 other countries, among them the United States, France and Russia, the BBC said.

Chinese sailors laid out a red carpet in front of the Chinese destroyer Shijiazhuang that took the country's president, Hu Jintao, out to sea for the parade.

"Both now and in the future, no matter to what extent we develop, China will never seek hegemony," state media quoted him as saying.

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