

US Navy Was at Scene of Nord Stream Blasts: Danish Media

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Prior to the explosions that destroyed the Nord Stream 1 and 2 pipelines in the Baltic Sea, <u>US Navy ships were present at the location</u>, according to a local harbormaster quoted in the Danish newspaper Politiken.

The Nord Stream 2 pipelines, a major infrastructure project aimed at delivering natural gas from Russia to Europe, were targeted in an act of sabotage in September 2022, with <u>Moscow pointing fingers at the West or Ukraine</u>.

In August, *The Wall Street Journal* reported that Ukrainian businessmen had funded the attack on the project, although Ukrainian **President Volodymyr Zelensky** had ordered to halt the attack at the CIA's request.

Russia, however, insisted that the reports shared by *WSJ* were a mere tactic to divert attention from the actual perpetrators, saying its findings were improbable. Kremlin spokesperson **Dmitry Peskov** affirmed that Russian Intelligence is certain that major states were involved in the sabotage.

Despite being published on September 26, *Politiken's* article received little attention. But on Tuesday, it reappeared on X when Glenn Greenwald and other well-known independent journalists repeated the claims.

According to the story, <u>American warships were operating</u> in the region east of the Danish island of Bornholm with their transponders turned off.

The article included statements from John Anker Nielsen, the harbormaster of the Danish port of Christianso, which lies near Bornholm. He stated that he had opted to publish information on the September 2022 events, despite originally being "not allowed to say a thing" about them.

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