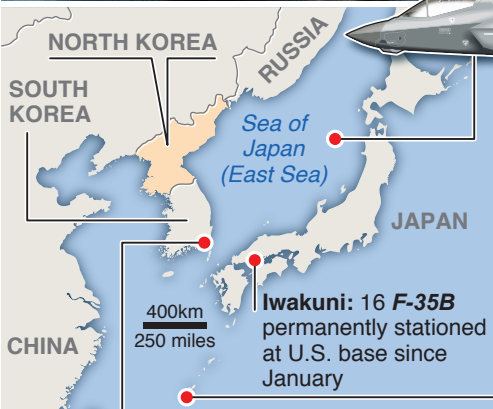


U.S. military movements around North Korea

Three U.S. aircraft carrier strike groups are taking part in a combined exercise for the first time in a decade, providing the U.S. with a powerful force, in striking distance of North Korea

Sea of Japan: Drills conducted by **USS Ronald Reagan**, **USS Theodore Roosevelt**, and **USS Nimitz** (pictured), aim to demonstrate U.S. Navy's capability to operate multiple carrier strike groups



Kadena Air Base, Okinawa: Squadron of 12 **F-35A** stealth fighter jets sent in November for six-month deployment

Stealth fighters would figure prominently in potential U.S. strike on North Korea

PACIFIC OCEAN

Guam: U.S. military has increased stockpile of munitions by around 10% with delivery of 816,393 munitions assets valued at over \$95 million

Andersen Air Force Base is major fuel and ammunition storage base

Busan: U.S. has dispatched several submarines to Korean waters, including nuclear cruise missile submarine, **USS Michigan** which made port call in Busan in October



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