

ASIA-PACIFIC · THE BLOCKADE SCENARIO

A WAR NO ONE CAN WIN

1,611 tanker and bulk-carrier runs a month keep the Asia-Pacific fuelled and fed. A blockade closes the lanes for everyone at once.

WHY NO ONE WINS

01 WON BY ENDURANCE

A blockade is won by whoever outlasts a sea-lane shutdown — and even the victor finishes depleted.

02 FORCE CAN'T REOPEN IT

The US can pressure China back, but cannot lift a blockade or resupply across a contested ocean.

03 TANKERS CAN'T HIDE

A slow, radar-bright tanker is tracked from port — and missiles reach it from 4,000 km.

STRAIT OF HORMUZ

CLOSURE · 2026

- Iran shut the strait, February 2026
- ~20% of world seaborne oil halted
- Transits fell from ~3,000/mo to 191
- Navy sunk in 72h — lane never reopened

RED SEA

HOUTHİ BLOCKADE · 2023-25

- 20-nation coalition couldn't reopen it
- Transits down ~50%; ships took the Cape
- \$2M interceptors fired at \$2,000 drones
- A non-state actor closed a major lane

THIS ISN'T ONE NATION'S PROBLEM — IT'S THE REGION'S

~90%

NE Asia's energy is imported

~99%

Taiwan & Japan's oil, gas & coal shipped in

1,611/MO

regional runs a war stops

1 IN 4

of seaborne oil via Malacca

AND NO NAVY CAN REOPEN THE LANE.

A blockade is won by who endures longest — and no import-dependent economy in Asia can.

BUILD THE NATIONS. FIND THE PEACE.

Self-reliant in fuel and food; unite the Asia-Pacific — the only move that wins.