Merkury

DEFENCE SYSTEM · THE SWORD DESK

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FACTS

- **Class:** corvette (low confidence, 1 independent source) [1]
- **Origin country:** Russia (low confidence, 1 independent source) [1]
- **Status:** retired (low confidence, 1 independent source) [2]
- **Introduced:** 2023 (high confidence, 3 independent sources) [2]

ENTRY

Merkury is a corvette-class weapon system reportedly of Russian origin [1]. The system was introduced in 2023 according to multiple sources [2]. One report indicates the system has been retired [2].

CONNECTIONS

Links to other wiki entries, from the wiki's graph. This file gives no source for them: treat them as leads, not findings.

- **Subject of event:** Benghazi attack on Merkury, Sinking of Merkury in Benghazi, Ukrainian naval drone strike on Russian vessels in Libya 2026

OFTEN MENTIONED TOGETHER

Entries that turn up in the same stories. This is not a stated relationship. Russia, Libya, Ukraine, Benghazi, Security Service of Ukraine, Russia-Ukraine War, Syria, Mali, Ukraine Defense Intelligence Directorate, Africa Corps, Hayat Tahrir al-Sham, Ukrainian naval drones, MV Angara

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