■ CUBA MARITIME INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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■■ CRITICAL ALERT — ACTIVE SANCTIONS VIOLATION IN PROGRESS Sanctioned Russian crude oil tanker ANATOLY KOLODKIN (IMO 9610808, 730,000 barrels) departed Primorsk, Russia on March 8, 2026. Analysts (Kpler, TankerTrackers) report vessel is en route to Matanzas, Cuba. AIS destination reads 'Atlantis' — spoofing suspected. Vessel is under US OFAC, UK HMT, and EU sanctions. OFAC expanded restrictions March 20, 2026, prohibiting Cuba from receiving Russian crude. Status: ACTIVE THREAT.

27	15	20	18	85	17
Oil/Cargo Vessels	OFAC/EU/UK Sanctioned	CRITICAL Risk	HIGH Risk	Vessel Movements	Military Vessels

■ OPERATION SOUTHERN SPEAR — U.S. Naval Interdiction Campaign | 7 dark fleet tankers seized (Dec 2025 – Feb 2026) | ~7 Million barrels intercepted | 17+ vessels still operating off Venezuela coast

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cuba faces a total energy collapse as of March 2026. The United States, under Operation Southern Spear (launched December 2025), has effectively disrupted Cuba's "dark fleet" oil supply network, seizing 7 shadow tankers carrying approximately 7 million barrels of Venezuelan and Russian crude oil destined for the island. Cuba is experiencing 18+ hour daily blackouts, airports have run out of jet fuel, and satellite imagery confirms a 50% reduction in nighttime illumination in major cities.

Russia is attempting to circumvent the US blockade by dispatching the sanctioned tanker ANATOLY KOLODKIN (730,000 barrels of Urals crude) from Primorsk port on March 8, 2026. OFAC expanded restrictions March 20, 2026, prohibiting Cuba from receiving Russian crude. Status: ACTIVE THREAT.

This report tracks 27 oil/cargo vessels and 17 Cuban military vessels (Marina de Guerra Revolucionaria) of intelligence interest. 15 oil vessels carry confirmed OFAC/EU/UK sanctions. Key networks: GAESA/Caroil Transport Marine Ltd. (Cyprus, OFAC 2019), Cubametales (OFAC July 2019), Sovcomflot/Rosnefteflot (Russian state). Military section covers MGR order of battle including SIGINT vessels, patrol craft, and coast guard units with recorded intelligence activity.

2. CURRENT OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

■ **Cuba Energy Crisis Status**	18+ hour daily blackouts nationwide. Airports operating on emergency reserves. 50% reduction in nighttime illumination per Bloomberg satellite analysis. Total collapse of domestic fuel distribution infrastructure.
■ **US Naval Blockade (Operation Southern Spear)**	Ongoing since December 10, 2025. USSOUTHCOM and INDOPACOM conducting active interdiction. 7 tankers seized, 17+ vessels remain in Venezuelan waters under surveillance. Trump administration declared national emergency on Cuba (2026).
■ **Russian Oil Delivery Attempt**	ANATOLY KOLODKIN (Sovcomflot/Russian Govt) departed Primorsk March 8, 2026 with 730,000 bbls. AIS spoofing detected — vessel broadcasting "Atlantis" as destination. Second Russian tanker reportedly also en route per CNBC/Kpler analysis.
■ **OFAC Expanded Cuba Sanctions (March 2026)**	US Treasury OFAC added Cuba to list of countries prohibited from transactions involving Russian crude or petroleum products. Any vessel delivering Russian oil to Cuba now faces secondary sanctions risk. Enforcement mechanism under review.
■ **Cuban "Dark Fleet" Collapse**	Cuba's shadow fleet operated 9 core vessels using AIS spoofing, flag rotation (Panama, Cameroon, Guyana, Timor-Leste), name changes, and ship-to-ship transfers. Network severely disrupted by US seizures. 5 of 9 core vessels now in US custody.

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3. VESSEL INTELLIGENCE REGISTRY

27 oil/cargo vessels of intelligence interest tracked. Sorted by risk level (CRITICAL → LOW). Sanctioned vessels marked ■. See Section 3.3 for Cuban Military Fleet order of battle.

#	Vessel Name	IMO	Type	Flag State	Risk	Sanctions
1	**AKADEMIK GUBKIN**	9842190	Crude Oil Tanker	Russia	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
2	**ANATOLY KOLODKIN**	9610808	Crude Oil Tanker	Russia	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
3	**AQUILA II**	9281152	Suezmax Crude Oil Tanker	Panama (False Flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
4	**DEYNA**	9299903	Crude Oil Tanker	Mozambique (false flag / linked to Russia)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
5	**EQUALITY**	N/A	Oil Products Tanker	Unknown (Non-Cuban tricolor flag)	■ CRITICAL	✓ CLEAR
6	**ESPERANZA**	N/A	Crude Oil Tanker	Cuba	■ CRITICAL	✓ CLEAR
7	**GRINCH**	N/A	Crude Oil Tanker	Russia (false flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
8	**M SOPHIA**	9289477	Crude Oil Tanker	Panama (False Flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
9	**MARIA CRISTINA (ex-CARLOTA C)**	9502453	Chemical/Oil Products Tanker	Cuba	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
10	**MARINERA (ex-BELLA 1)**	N/A	Crude Oil Tanker	Russia (False Flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
11	**OLINA**	N/A	Crude Oil Tanker	Unknown / False Flag	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
12	**PETION**	9295098	Products Tanker	Panama	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
13	**SAGITTA**	9296822	Aframax Crude Oil Tanker	Marshall Islands (False Flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
14	**SANDINO**	9441178	Chemical/Oil Products Tanker	Cuba	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
15	**SKIPPER (ex-ADISA)**	N/A	Crude Oil Tanker (Supertanker)	Guyanese (False Flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
16	**VERONICA**	9256860	Crude Oil Tanker	Guyana (False Flag)	■ CRITICAL	■ SANCTIONED
17	**ALICIA**	N/A	Products Tanker	Cuba	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR

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18	**ETHERA**	N/A	Crude Oil Tanker	Guinea (falsified)	■ HIGH	■ SANCTIONED
19	**EUGENIA GAS**	8813099	LPG Tanker	Belize (formerly Liberian)	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
20	**LPG C PASTORITA**	9034729	LPG Tanker	Cuba	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
21	**MARLIN AMMOLITE**	N/A	Products Tanker	Cuba	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
22	**NICOS IV (NICOS I.V.)**	9103843	Oil/Chemical Tanker	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
23	**OCEAN INTEGRITY**	N/A	Products Tanker	Cuba	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
24	**PRIMULA**	N/A	Products Tanker	Cuba	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
25	**SANDINO (Coastal variant / YELNYA)**	N/A	Offshore Oil Tanker	Russia	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
26	**SEA HORSE**	9262584	Products Tanker	Hong Kong	■ HIGH	✓ CLEAR
27	**SEABOARD GALAXY**	9970959	Container/Reefer Ship	USA	■ LOW	✓ CLEAR

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3.1 CRITICAL RISK VESSEL PROFILES

■ VESSEL #1: AKADEMIK GUBKIN ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9842190	**MMSI**	273466160
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Russia
Built	2023	**DWT**	114,000
Registered Owner	JSC Rosnefteflot (subsidiary of PJSC Rosneft)	**Operator**	JSC Rosnefteflot
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2025-01-10
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Property of sanctioned Rosneft Oil Company; transporting sanctioned Russian crude to Cuba

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] Position: Unknown - no recent AIS data available | AIS: UNKNOWN | Status: Last confirmed delivery to Matanzas Feb 19, 2026 (~100K MT Urals crude loaded at Ust-Luga Jan 29). OFAC-sanctioned since Jan 10, 2025. Russian-flagged Aframax. No new sightings in Caribbean. Likely returned to Russia or repositioned. Second Russian tanker being loaded per Energy Minister Tsivilev (Apr 2) - may or may not be AKADEMIK GUBKIN. Source: VesselFinder, Baird Maritime, Washington Post.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/shipid:7936025/vessel:AKADEMIK+GUBKIN

■ VESSEL #2: ANATOLY KOLODKIN ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9610808	**MMSI**	273253130
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Russia
Built	2013	**DWT**	118,316
Registered Owner	Sovcomflot / Russian Government	**Operator**	Sovcomflot
Sanctioned By	EU, UK (OFSI), US (OFAC)	**Sanction Date**	2024-11-25
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Russian Shadow Fleet - illicit oil transport operations circumventing sanctions on Russia

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] Position: Matanzas Supertanker Base, Cuba | AIS: ACTIVE (assumed) | Draught: Reduced (offloaded) | Status: COMPLETED DISCHARGE of 730K bbls (~100K MT) Urals crude at Matanzas as of 2026-04-05. Arrived Mar 31 at sunrise. US allowed passage for humanitarian reasons on case-by-case basis. Triple-sanctioned (US/UK/EU). Russia Energy Minister Tsivilev announced Apr 2 that second tanker is being loaded ("we will not leave the Cubans in trouble"). Crude to be processed at Havana and Cienfuegos refineries (15-20 day turnaround). Source: Sputnik, Moscow Times, Al Jazeera, RFERL, PBS confirmed discharge completion Apr 5.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/shipid:5090590

■ VESSEL #3: AQUILA II ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9281152	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Suezmax Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Panama (False Flag)

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Built	2004	**DWT**	115,000
Registered Owner	Unknown Beneficial Owner	**Operator**	Unknown
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2022-09-15
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Dark fleet; illicit crude oil transport; AIS spoofing; extended dark activity

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Feb 9, 2026 in Indian Ocean by USINDOPACOM. In US custody. No AIS activity. Cargo being assessed. Part of Operation Southern Spear. IMO 9281152.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/imo:9281152

■ VESSEL #4: DEYNA

■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9299903	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Mozambique (false flag / linked to Russia)
Built	—	**DWT**	80,000
Registered Owner	Unknown (Russian shadow fleet linked)	**Operator**	Unknown
Sanctioned By	France/EU	**Sanction Date**	—
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: UNKNOWN | Position: Not tracked | Status: Dark fleet vessel. Sanctioned. No new intelligence this scan. Operation Southern Spear ongoing - 7 dark fleet tankers seized Dec 2025-Feb 2026. Source: OSINT scan.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/imo:9299903

■ VESSEL #5: EQUALITY

✓ CLEAR

IMO Number	N/A	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Oil Products Tanker	**Flag State**	Unknown (Non-Cuban tricolor flag)
Built	—	**DWT**	—
Registered Owner	Unknown	**Operator**	Unknown
Sanctioned By	None	**Sanction Date**	—
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-03-29 09:45 UTC] Position: 22.1329°N 80.4890°W (Cienfuegos Anchorage outer roads, Cuba) | Course: 0° | Speed: 0.1kn | Draught: 8.0m (LOADED oil products) | AIS: ACTIVE (Roaming, 1h22min ago) | Dest: CU CFG (Cienfuegos) | Status: AT ANCHOR Cienfuegos since 2026-02-22 (35 days at anchor as of March 29!) | Flag: Guinea (GN) | Type: Oil Products Tanker | Route: CU CFG → CIENFUEGOS ANCH. ATD: 2026-02-22 08:35, ATA anchor: 2026-02-22 09:14. CRITICAL: Both EQUALITY and ESPERANZA are loaded tankers stranded at Cienfuegos outer anchorage. Combined estimated cargo: 300,000-500,000 barrels. Cuba's energy infrastructure unable to process incoming supply. This is a CRITICAL intelligence pattern — oil is physically present off Cuba but inaccessible. | Source: MarineTraffic 2026-03-29

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■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/home/shipid:715991

■ VESSEL #6: ESPERANZA ✓ CLEAR

IMO Number	N/A	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Cuba
Built	—	**DWT**	—
Registered Owner	Cuban State (CUPET/GAESA)	**Operator**	Cuban State
Sanctioned By	None	**Sanction Date**	—
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-03-29 09:45 UTC] Position: 22.1497°N 80.4857°W (Cienfuegos Anchorage outer roads, Cuba) | Course: 0° | Speed: 0kn | Draught: 8.3m (LOADED crude oil tanker) | AIS: ACTIVE (Roaming, 1h11min ago) | Dest: CUCFG (Cienfuegos) | Status: AT ANCHOR Cienfuegos since 2026-02-15 (42 days at anchor as of March 29!) | Flag: Cuba [CU] | Type: Crude Oil Tanker | Route: CU CFG → CIENFUEGOS ANCH. ATD from prev port: 2026-02-15 08:26, ATA anchor: 2026-02-15 09:43. CRITICAL: Loaded crude tanker UNABLE or UNWILLING to discharge for 42 days. Cienfuegos oil refinery terminal non-functional due to: (1) Cuba cannot pay, (2) sanctions/insurance enforcement, (3) Antonio Guiteras thermal plant failure (March 16) damaged local grid preventing refinery operation. EQUALITY (Guinea-flag oil products tanker) also at anchor at same location since Feb 22 (35 days). Both loaded tankers stranded at Cienfuegos anchor = Cuba has fuel offshore but CANNOT GET IT ASHORE. | Source: MarineTraffic 2026-03-29

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/home/shipid:214577

■ VESSEL #7: GRINCH ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	N/A	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Russia (false flag)
Built	—	**DWT**	—
Registered Owner	—	**Operator**	—
Sanctioned By	EU/France	**Sanction Date**	2026-01
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Russian shadow fleet tanker, sanctions evasion

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-03-29 13:13 UTC] SEIZED January 2026 by French Navy — first European seizure of Russian shadow fleet tanker. Carrying Russian crude in violation of EU sanctions. France was first EU nation to detain shadow fleet tanker. Preceded Belgium/France Operation Blue Intruder (ETHERA, March 1 2026). Source: USNI News 2026-03-02

■ VESSEL #8: M SOPHIA ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9289477	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Panama (False Flag)
Built	2004	**DWT**	21,500
Registered Owner	Unknown Shell Company	**Operator**	Unknown

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Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2023-01-15
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Dark fleet operations; transporting sanctioned Venezuelan crude to Cuba

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Jan 7, 2026. Stateless dark fleet tanker. In US custody. IMO 9289477.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/imo:9289477

■ VESSEL #9: MARIA CRISTINA (ex-CARLOTA C) ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9502453	**MMSI**	323149000
Vessel Type	Chemical/Oil Products Tanker	**Flag State**	Cuba
Built	2011	**DWT**	12,000
Registered Owner	Caroil Transport Marine Ltd.	**Operator**	GAESA / Caroil Transport Marine Ltd.
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2019-07-03
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Delivering Venezuelan petroleum products (gasoline) to Cuba; linked to PdVSA/Cubametales scheme

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: UNKNOWN | Position: Not tracked in current scan | Status: Cuban state vessel, OFAC-sanctioned. Part of Caroil/GAESA network. Nine tankers operated by GAESA/affiliates identified with 423,584 DWT total capacity. Largest vessels (Lourdes, Sandino, Petion) manage Venezuela-Cuba route. Cuba energy crisis deepening - 3 nationwide grid collapses in March 2026. Source: CiberCuba fleet analysis.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/shipid:554321/vessel:MARIA+CRISTINA

■ VESSEL #10: MARINERA (ex-BELLA 1) ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	N/A	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Russia (False Flag)
Built	2006	**DWT**	43,000
Registered Owner	Rosneft / Russian State Entity	**Operator**	Unknown
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2023-02-24
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Dark fleet Russian oil tanker; illicit crude transport; sanctions evasion via name/flag change

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Jan 7, 2026. Russian flag. In US custody. Part of Operation Southern Spear.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/home/centerx:-79.5/centery:21.4/zoom:7

■ VESSEL #11: OLINA ■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	N/A	**MMSI**	N/A

Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Unknown / False Flag
Built	2003	**DWT**	35,000
Registered Owner	Unknown Shell Company	**Operator**	Unknown
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2022-10-01
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Dark fleet; Venezuelan crude oil transport to sanctioned destinations

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Jan 15, 2026. Venezuelan shadow fleet. In US custody.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/home/centerx:-79.5/centery:21.4/zoom:7

■ VESSEL #12: PETION

■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9295098	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Products Tanker	**Flag State**	Panama
Built	2004	**DWT**	9,800
Registered Owner	Trocana World Inc.	**Operator**	Caroil Transport Marine Ltd.
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2019-07-03
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Loading crude oil for Cubametales/PDVSA, transporting to Cuba in violation of sanctions. Operated by Caroil Transport Marine Ltd. (Cyprus).

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: UNKNOWN | Position: Not tracked in current scan | Status: Cuban state vessel, OFAC-sanctioned. Part of Caroil/GAESA network. One of largest GAESA tankers managing Venezuela-Cuba route. GAESA fleet accumulating last oil reserves at Matanzas Bay per reports. Source: CiberCuba fleet analysis.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/shipid:370785/vessel:PETION

■ VESSEL #13: SAGITTA

■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9296822	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Aframax Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Marshall Islands (False Flag)
Built	2005	**DWT**	73,000
Registered Owner	Hong Kong-based shell company	**Operator**	Unknown
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA), EU, UK HMT	**Sanction Date**	2022-04-06
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Sanctioned following 2022 Russian invasion of Ukraine; illicit Russian oil transport

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Jan 20, 2026 in Caribbean by USSOUTHCOM. In US custody. Part of Operation Southern Spear. IMO 9296822.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/imo:9296822

■ VESSEL #14: SANDINO

■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9441178	**MMSI**	323148000
Vessel Type	Chemical/Oil Products Tanker	**Flag State**	Cuba
Built	2009	**DWT**	30,000
Registered Owner	Caroil Transport Marine Ltd.	**Operator**	Caroil Transport Marine Ltd.
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA)	**Sanction Date**	2019-07-03
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Operating in Venezuelan oil sector, transporting crude to Cuba in violation of E.O. 13850

■ Intelligence Notes: [2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] Position: Matanzas/Havana area, Cuba | AIS: ACTIVE | Draught: High (loaded ~390-410K bbls) | Status: MOORED at Matanzas port. Earlier loaded fuel at Nipe Bay, Holguín - origin of fuel undisclosed/mysterious. Part of GAESA fleet managing last oil reserves. Cuban-flagged, OFAC-sanctioned. Operating as domestic redistribution vessel between Cuban ports. Source: CiberCuba, CubaHeadlines, MarineTraffic search results.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/shipid:434978/vessel:SANDINO

■ VESSEL #15: SKIPPER (ex-ADISA)

■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	N/A	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker (Supertanker)	**Flag State**	Guyanese (False Flag)
Built	2005	**DWT**	300,000
Registered Owner	Unknown Shell Company	**Operator**	Unknown / PdVSA-affiliated
Sanctioned By	OFAC (USA) - Previously under name ADISA	**Sanction Date**	2022-11-03
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Moving illicit oil; in 2024 delivered 3M bbls Iranian oil to Syria; in 2025 hauling 1.8M bbls PdVSA crude to Cubametales

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Dec 10, 2025 in waters between Grenada and Trinidad. 1.8M barrels Venezuelan crude. US Navy custody. Part of Operation Southern Spear.

■ MarineTraffic AIS Profile: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/vessel:SKIPPER

■ VESSEL #16: VERONICA

■ SANCTIONED

IMO Number	9256860	**MMSI**	N/A
Vessel Type	Crude Oil Tanker	**Flag State**	Guyana (False Flag)
Built	—	**DWT**	—
Registered Owner	—	**Operator**	—

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Sanctioned By	OFAC (E.O. 13224 / PSB Lizing)	**Sanction Date**	2022-02-22
Risk Level	CRITICAL		

■ Sanction Reason: Owned by PSB Lizing OOO, leasing subsidiary of sanctioned Russian Promsvyazbank (PSB). Designated for operating in Russia defense/financial sectors.

■ Intelligence Notes: MAR 26 SCAN (SECONDARY RUN): SEIZED Jan 15, 2026 off Venezuela. In US custody. Guyana false flag registered. Part of Operation Southern Spear. IMO 9256860.

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3.3 CUBAN MILITARY FLEET — MARINA DE GUERRA REVOLUCIONARIA (MGR)

17 military vessels tracked. Includes surface combatants, submarines, SIGINT/intelligence collection vessels, patrol craft, coast guard, and logistics units. Sources: Jane's Fighting Ships, USNI, GlobalSecurity.org, MarineTraffic OSINT.

#	Vessel Name	MMSI	Role	Type	Risk	Intelligence Notes
1	**CAIMÁN**	323011000	Submarine	Submarine (Foxtrot-class)	■ CRITICAL	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: N/A (submarine) | Status: Foxtrot-class submarine, dry-docked Cienfuegos. Non-operational. N…
2	**CAMILO CIENFUEGOS**	323040000	Intelligence/SIGINT	Intelligence Collection Vessel	■ CRITICAL	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available - vessel tracking sites blocked) | Status: SIGINT vessel, CRITI…
3	**DELFIN**	323010000	Submarine	Submarine (Foxtrot-class)	■ CRITICAL	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: N/A (submarine) | Status: Foxtrot-class submarine, Cienfuegos. Believed non-operational. No …
4	**VILLA CLARA**	323041000	Intelligence/SIGINT	Intelligence Collection Vessel	■ CRITICAL	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: SIGINT vessel, CRITICAL priority. Coordinates with C…
5	**ANTONIO MACEO**	323001000	Frigate	Frigate	■ HIGH	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Koni-class frigate, Cienfuegos Naval Base. SS-N-2C S…
6	**BAHIA DE NIPE**	323060000	Logistics/Support	Naval Replenishment Vessel	■ HIGH	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Fleet replenishment vessel. Presence indicates exten…
7	**GRANMA**	323030000	Fast Attack Craft	Fast Attack Craft (Osa-II)	■ HIGH	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Osa-II missile boat, Cienfuegos. Styx anti-ship miss…
8	**JOSE MARTI**	323002000	Frigate	Frigate	■ HIGH	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Koni-class frigate, Havana Naval Base. Monitor for d…
9	**OCCIDENTE**	323021000	Patrol Vessel	Patrol Vessel (Pauk-class)	■ HIGH	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Pauk-class patrol vessel. Joint patrols with ORIENTE…
10	**ORIENTE**	323020000	Patrol Vessel	Patrol Vessel (Pauk-class)	■ HIGH	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Pauk-class patrol vessel. Previously shadowed USCG d…
11	**RFS SOOBRAZITELNY**	–	Frigate	Steregushchiy-class Corvette	■ HIGH	[2026-03-29 09:45 UTC] ROLE IN KOLODKIN ESCORT: RFS SOOBRAZITELNY escorted ANATOLY KOLODKIN through the English Channel …

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12	**SIERRA MAESTRA**	323031000	**Fast Attack Craft**	Fast Attack Craft (Osa-II)	■ **HIGH**	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Osa-II missile boat. Previous live-fire exercise Gul…
13	**GUANTANAMO**	323050000	**Coast Guard**	Coast Guard Cutter	■ **MEDIUM**	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Stenka-class, GTMO area. Monitor 12nm line proximity…
14	**HABANA**	323052000	**Coast Guard**	Coast Guard Cutter	■ **MEDIUM**	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Stenka-class. Previously observed escorting dark tan…
15	**ISLA DE LA JUVENTUD**	323061000	**Logistics/Support**	Naval Transport	■ **MEDIUM**	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Naval transport, Mariel Naval Facility. No new intel…
16	**PINAR DEL RIO**	323051000	**Coast Guard**	Coast Guard Cutter	■ **MEDIUM**	[2026-04-05 13:13 UTC] AIS: DARK (no live data available) | Status: Stenka-class, western Cuba / Florida Straits. Height…
17	**USAV WILSON WHARF**	–	**Logistics/Support**	Landing Craft Utility (LCU-2011)	■ **MEDIUM**	[2026-03-29 13:13 UTC] Position: 21°11.340'N / 75°10.590'W (north Cuban coast, heading NW from GTMO) | Course: NW | Spee…

3.3.1 MILITARY VESSEL RECORDED ACTIVITY

Vessel	Activity	Location	Date	AIS	Sanctions Flag	Notes
ORIENTE	PATROL	Northern Cuba / Villa Clara Province	2026-03-28	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	AIS DARK — No Florida Straits transmissions detected during March 28 scan. MGR p
OCCIDENTE	DARK	Northern Cuba / Florida Straits	2026-03-28	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	AIS DARK during March 28 scan. No transmissions detected. Joint patrol with ORIE
USAV WILSON WHARF	TRANSIT	North Cuba coast (21°11.340N / 75°10.590W)	2026-03-28	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	March 28, 2026 01:14 — USAV Wilson Wharf (LCU-2011) departed Guantanamo Bay Nava
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS	DARK	Unknown — SIGINT patrol area (Florida Straits / GTMO perimeter)	2026-03-26	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIS dark as of Mar 26 live MMSI check (323040000 — no position
HABANA	ESCORT	Havana	2026-03-24	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	HABANA likely provided coast guard escort for Nuestra América humanitarian aid c
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS	PATROL	Florida Straits / GTMO perimeter	2026-03-24	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SIGINT vessel) on active intelligence-gathering patrol. Mar 2
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS	ARRIVAL	Havana Naval Base	2026-03-01	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	Returned to Havana Naval Base after extended patrol. Resupply and crew rotation
HABANA	INTERCEPT	Cayo Falcones	2026-02-25	✓ **ACTIVE**	—	ENGAGEMENT: Cuban Border Guard Troops patrol vessel intercepted Florida-register

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BAHIA DE NIPE	STS	Cuban EEZ — South Coast	2026-02-22	✓ ACTIVE	—	Underway replenishment with ORIENTE and OCCIDENTE. Transferred fuel and stores.
ORIENTE	PATROL	Cuban EEZ — North Coast	2026-02-20	✓ ACTIVE	—	Routine EEZ patrol. Intercepted and escorted 3 unauthorized vessels.
SIERRA MAESTRA	EXERCISE	Gulf of Batabanó	2026-02-14	✓ ACTIVE	—	Live-fire exercise. Fired 2x SS-N-2C Styx anti-ship missiles at target drone. Ex
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS	DARK	Guantanamo Bay Perimeter (International Waters)	2026-02-10	■■ DARK	—	AIS dark 8 days. Satellite confirms vessel near GTMO perimeter. Suspected monito
SIERRA MAESTRA	EXERCISE	Gulf of Batabanó	2026-02-10	✓ ACTIVE	—	SIERRA MAESTRA (Osa-II missile boat) conducted live-fire exercise in the Gulf of
VILLA CLARA	DARK	Guantanamo Bay Perimeter	2026-01-20	■■ DARK	—	Extended dark period near GTMO. Coordinated with CAMILO CIENFUEGOS. US Navy P-8
CAMILO CIENFUEGOS	PATROL	Florida Straits (International Waters)	2026-01-15	■■ DARK	—	AIS intermittent. Satellite imagery confirms SIGINT collection near US naval exe
ORIENTE	PATROL	Florida Straits / Northern Cuba	2026-01-15	✓ ACTIVE	—	ORIENTE (Pauk-class) shadowed USCG cutter during Operation Southern Spear Jan 20
HABANA	ARRIVAL	Cienfuegos Port Approaches	2026-01-09	✓ ACTIVE	■ YES	Observed escorting unidentified dark tanker into Cienfuegos approaches. Potentia
ORIENTE	PATROL	Straits of Florida	2026-01-08	✓ ACTIVE	—	Shadowing US Coast Guard Cutter FORWARD during Operation Southern Spear. Maintai
OCCIDENTE	PATROL	Straits of Florida	2026-01-08	✓ ACTIVE	—	Joint patrol with ORIENTE. Shadowed USSOUTHCOM interdiction assets. Observed by

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4. OPERATION SOUTHERN SPEAR — SEIZURE TIMELINE

Dec 10, 2025 — Source: USN/DOJ

SKIPPER (ex-ADISA) — VLCC

Seized by US Navy off Venezuela coast. Flying false Guyanese flag. Cargo: 1.8 million barrels Venezuelan crude. Of that, 1.1 million barrels destined for OFAC-sanctioned Cubametales. Civil forfeiture complaint filed DC.

Jan 7, 2026 — Source: USSOUTHCOM

M SOPHIA (IMO 9289477)

USSOUTHCOM seizure in Caribbean Sea. Described as "stateless, sanctioned dark fleet motor tanker". AIS transponder off for approximately 5 months prior to capture. Flying false Panamanian flag at time of seizure.

Jan 7, 2026 — Source: US Forces

MARINERA (ex-BELLA 1)

Seized by US forces in Atlantic Ocean near Iceland. Russian oil tanker. Changed name from BELLA 1 and changed flag to evade sanctions. Part of Russian shadow fleet delivering crude to Cuba and Venezuela.

Jan 15, 2026 — Source: USSOUTHCOM

OLINA

5th seizure in US shadow fleet interdiction campaign. Caribbean Sea operation. Part of Venezuelan PdVSA shadow fleet. Operating under false flag. Exact IMO not confirmed in open sources.

Jan 20, 2026 — Source: USSOUTHCOM

SAGITTA (IMO 9296822) — Aframax

USSOUTHCOM announcement: vessel "operating in defiance of President Trump's established quarantine of sanctioned vessels in the Caribbean." Owned by Hong Kong-based shell company. Sanctioned by US Treasury post-Ukraine invasion 2022.

Feb 9, 2026 — Source: INDOPACOM

AQUILA II (IMO 9281152) — Suezmax

Seized by INDOPACOM in Indian Ocean — unprecedented deep water interdiction. History of extended dark activity (signal blackouts). Had departed Venezuelan waters January 2026 with ~700,000 barrels crude. Falsely broadcast as Panamanian-flagged. Expands US enforcement beyond Caribbean to global waters.

Mar 20, 2026 — Source: OFAC/USSOUTHCOM

■■ ANATOLY KOLODKIN — ACTIVE THREAT

SANCTIONED Russian tanker (US/UK/EU) en route to Matanzas, Cuba. 730,000 barrels Russian Urals crude. AIS spoofing — broadcasting "Atlantis" as destination. OFAC expanded Russia oil sanctions to cover Cuba on this date. Status: APPROACHING CUBA. Interception decision pending.

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5. SANCTIONS EVASION TACTICS & INDICATORS

■■ **AIS Spoofing / False Position Broadcasting**	Vessels transmit false GPS coordinates or fake destinations. ANATOLY KOLODKIN broadcasts "Atlantis" while heading to Matanzas, Cuba. SEA HORSE broadcasted "not under command" approximately 1,300 nautical miles from Cuban waters while actually discharging cargo. Detection method: Cross-reference AIS with satellite imagery (Kpler, TankerTrackers).
■ **AIS Blackouts / Signal Suppression**	Vessels turn off AIS transponders entirely to disappear from tracking. M SOPHIA operated without transponder for approximately 5 months before US seizure. Creates "dark gaps" in vessel tracking history. Often combined with name changes during blackout periods. Detection: Gap analysis in AIS history, satellite SAR imagery.
■■ **False Flag Operations**	Vessels register under different flags to avoid scrutiny. Common flags used by Cuba dark fleet: Panama, Cameroon, Guyana, Timor-Leste. SKIPPER flew false Guyanese flag. AQUILA II broadcast false Panamanian flag. Vessels cycle through multiple flags per voyage. Detection: Cross-check IMO against flag registry databases.
➡■ **Vessel Name / Identity Changes**	Complete identity changes to remove vessel from sanctions tracking. Known changes: ADISA → SKIPPER, BELLA 1 → MARINERA, CARLOTA C → MARIA CRISTINA. Typically combined with new flag registration and shell company ownership changes. Detection: Track IMO numbers (permanent identifiers) rather than vessel names.
■ **Ship-to-Ship (STS) Transfers**	Cargo transferred between vessels at sea to obscure origin. SEA HORSE received ~190,000 barrels of Russian gasoil via STS transfer off Cyprus with AIS switched off. MARIA CRISTINA/OCEAN INTEGRITY/PRIMULA serve as floating storage for STS operations. Detection: Satellite imagery of anchorage areas, anomalous speed patterns.
■ **Shell Company Networks**	Beneficial ownership concealed through layers of shell companies. Key network: Caroil Transport Marine Ltd. (Cyprus) → Sanctioned 2019, operates on behalf of GAESA. Ran SANDINO, PETION, CARLOTA C. Typical structure: Vessel → Marshall Islands LLC → Cyprus management → Hong Kong beneficial owner → Russian/Venezuelan state entity. Detection: Beneficial ownership databases, Panama/Pandora Papers analysis.
■■ **Circumvention Routes**	Standard Cuba shadow fleet route: Venezuela (Ust-Luga or José Terminal) → Atlantic/Caribbean → Matanzas or Cienfuegos, Cuba. Secondary route via STS transfers near Canary Islands or Cyprus. Russian crude route: Primorsk/Ust-Luga → Atlantic → Cuba or Venezuela. Co-loading: Mix sanctioned and non-sanctioned cargo to create plausible deniability.

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6. SANCTIONED ENTITIES & GHOST COMPANY NETWORK

Entity	Type	Designation Date	Authority	Intelligence Summary
Cubametales	Cuba State Oil Entity	July 3, 2019	OFAC (E.O. 13850)	Cuban state-run oil import/export company. Primary conduit for illicit oil deliveries to Cuba. 1.1 million barrels from seized SKIPPER were destined for Cubametales. Continues to operate through third-party intermediaries and dark fleet networks. All transactions with Cubametales by US persons or entities in US jurisdiction are prohibited.
GAESA (Grupo de Administración Empresarial S.A.)	Cuban Military Conglomerate	Various	State Dept. / OFAC	Cuba's military's largest commercial conglomerate. Controls majority of Cuba's hard currency economy. Operates shipping vessels through shell companies including Caroil Transport Marine Ltd. Connected to FINCIMEX (remittance), CIMEX (retail), and Mambisa (shipping). All subsidiaries should be treated as sanctioned entities for compliance purposes.
Caroil Transport Marine Ltd.	Cyprus-Based Shell Company	July 3, 2019	OFAC (E.O. 13850)	Cyprus-based front company operating on behalf of GAESA Cuban military. Operated vessels: SANDINO (IMO 9441178), PETION (IMO 9295098), CARLOTA C (now MARIA CRISTINA, IMO 9502453). All three vessels continued operating post-sanction, sailing between Venezuela, Mexico, and Cuba. Company remains nominally active in Cyprus company registry as of 2025.
Sovcomflot / JSC Rosnefteflot	Russian State Shipping	February 24, 2022 / Ongoing	OFAC (E.O. 14024)	Russian state shipping company responsible for transporting Russian crude oil to Cuba. Operates ANATOLY KOLODKIN (IMO 9610808) and AKADEMIK GUBKIN (IMO 9842190). Volume of Russian deliveries to Cuba: 600,000 tonnes (2022) → 100,000 tonnes (2024). Currently attempting to deliver 730,000 barrels via ANATOLY KOLODKIN (March 2026).
PdVSA (Petróleos de Venezuela)	Venezuelan State Oil Company	January 28, 2019	OFAC	Venezuelan state oil company. Primary supplier of crude oil to Cuba under PDVSA-Cuba agreements. Supplied Cuba 27,000-35,000 barrels/day of crude via dark fleet vessels. SKIPPER cargo of 1.8 million barrels originated from PdVSA facilities. Uses dark fleet intermediaries to circumvent US sanctions on Venezuelan crude.

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7. CUBA PORT INTELLIGENCE

Port Name	Code	Coordinates	Intelligence Summary
PORT OF MATANZAS	CUMAT	23.04°N, 81.56°W	Primary oil terminal. Main destination for dark fleet crude deliveries. ANATOLY KOLODKIN reportedly headed here March 2026. Operated by CUPET (Cuba Petroleum). Capacity: ~1M bbl storage. Pipeline connections to Havana. Regular tanker traffic.
PORT OF CIENFUEGOS	CUCFG	22.14°N, 80.44°W	Major oil and refinery port (Camilo Cienfuegos refinery). 5 piers + 3 buoy moorings. ~100 vessels/year. Handles Venezuelan crude for refining. Frequent tanker traffic. Refinery capacity significantly below design due to feedstock shortages.
PORT OF HAVANA	CUHAV	23.14°N, 82.35°W	Cuba's main commercial port. ~270,000 TEU annually. 400+ vessel calls/year. Handles container, general cargo, and passenger traffic. SEABOARD GALAXY (food/reefer from New Orleans) typical authorized US trade. Under heavy GAESA commercial influence through Almacenes Universales S.A.
PORT OF MARIEL	CUMAR	22.99°N, 82.76°W	Cuba's premier container terminal. Handles food imports (primary source post-2015). SEABOARD GALAXY route: New Orleans → Mariel (food, refrigerated products). Neopanamax-capable since 2023 expansion. Chinese investment (COSCO connection). ~100 vessels/year. Key GAESA-controlled terminal (ICTSI partnership dissolved 2022).
GULF OF BATABANO	ANCHORAGE	22.7°N, 82.1°W	Unofficial anchorage area south of Cuba. Used for STS transfers by dark fleet vessels. Poor AIS coverage allows covert transfer operations. MARIA CRISTINA, OCEAN INTEGRITY, PRIMULA operate in this zone for floating storage.

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8. VESSEL MOVEMENTS LOG

Vessel	Type	Port	Arrival	Cargo	Bbls	AIS Spoof	Notes
ANATOLY KOLODKIN	DEPARTURE	Matanzas Supertanker Base	2026-04-05	Crude Oil (Urals)	730,000	✓ NO	Completed discharge of 730K bbls Urals crude. Confirmed by Sputnik Apr 5. Proces
ANATOLY KOLODKIN	DELIVERY	Matanzas Supertanker Base	2026-04-04	Urals Crude Oil	730,000	✓ NO	ONGOING OFFLOAD as of April 4, 2026. 730,000 bbls Urals crude arriving Matanzas
ANATOLY KOLODKIN	ARRIVAL	Matanzas	2026-03-31	Urals Crude Oil	740,000	■■ YES	CONFIRMED ARRIVAL Matanzas Mar 31 2026. First oil delivery to Cuba since Jan 9 2
ANATOLY KOLODKIN	ARRIVAL	Matanzas	2026-03-30	Urals crude oil	730,000	✓ NO	[2026-03-30] CONFIRMED ARRIVAL Matanzas, Cuba — 730,000 bbls Urals crude. Trump
SANDINO	TRANSIT	Havana area (21N 75W)	2026-03-30	Fuel oil/refined products	—	✓ NO	[2026-03-30] SANDINO active AIS in Havana area (~21N 75W). Last confirmed delive
MGR FLEET (ALL UNITS)	DARK	Cuba (bases: Havana/Cienfuegos/Mariel)	2026-03-29	—	—	✓ NO	All 13 tracked MGR surface vessels + 2 submarines confirmed AIS-dark in March 29
SANDINO	TRANSIT	Matanzas/Havana area, Cuba	2026-03-29	—	—	✓ NO	March 29, 2026 scan — SANDINO position ~21°N 75°W or Matanzas anchorage. Returne
UNKNOWN TANKER MATANZAS-1	ANCHORED	Matanzas	2026-03-28	Unknown	—	✓ NO	UNIDENTIFIED TANKER observed via satellite AIS in Matanzas Bay at 23.051619N / 8
UNKNOWN TANKER MATANZAS-2	ANCHORED	Matanzas	2026-03-28	Unknown	—	✓ NO	SECOND UNIDENTIFIED TANKER observed via satellite AIS in Matanzas Bay at 23.0607
UNKNOWN CARGO VESSEL MARIEL	ANCHORED	Mariel Naval Facility	2026-03-28	Unknown	—	✓ NO	UNIDENTIFIED CARGO VESSEL at Mariel Naval Facility: 23.01007N / 82.764988W. Posi
ORIENTE	PATROL	Northern Cuba / Villa Clara Province	2026-03-28	—	—	✓ NO	AIS DARK — No Florida Straits transmissions detected during March 28 scan. MGR p
OCCIDENTE	DARK	Northern Cuba / Florida Straits	2026-03-28	—	—	✓ NO	AIS DARK during March 28 scan. No transmissions detected. Joint patrol with ORIE

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SANDINO	ARRIVAL	Matanzas	2026-03-28	Oil/Chemical — type unconfirmed	—	✓ NO	SANDINO (OFAC-listed) arrived Matanzas 2026-03-28 10:05 UTC after 35-day AIS dar
PIROPO I	ARRIVAL	Cienfuegos	2026-03-28	Pleasure craft (humanitarian/private)	—	✓ NO	PIROPO I (Spanish pleasure craft, Class B AIS) departed Isla Mujeres March 24, a
USAV WILSON WHARF	TRANSIT	North Cuba coast (21°11.340N / 75°10.590W)	2026-03-28	—	—	✓ NO	March 28, 2026 01:14 — USAV Wilson Wharf (LCU-2011) departed Guantanamo Bay Nava
SEA HORSE	ARRIVAL	Puerto Cabello	2026-03-28	Diesel (Russian-origin)	200,000	✓ NO	Arrived Puerto Cabello Mar 28. Began discharging Apr 2. Triple-diversion: Cuba→T
ANATOLY KOLODKIN	TRANSIT	South Atlantic / Venezuela approach (Cuba delivery abandoned)	2026-03-27	Urals crude oil	730,000	■■ YES	MAR 27 UPDATE: Last confirmed AIS position Mar 26 14:11 UTC — 30.207°N, 59.875°W
ANATOLY KOLODKIN	ARRIVAL	Venezuela (port TBC)	2026-03-27	Urals Crude Oil	730,000	✓ NO	ANATOLY KOLODKIN skipped Cuba, docked in Venezuela as of March 27. 730K bbls Ura
UNKNOWN TANKER (MATANZAS-1)	ARRIVAL	Matanzas	2026-03-26	Unknown Petroleum	—	✓ NO	Unidentified tanker #1 observed at Matanzas oil terminal anchorage. Position: 23
UNKNOWN TANKER (MATANZAS-2)	ARRIVAL	Matanzas	2026-03-26	Unknown Petroleum	—	✓ NO	Unidentified tanker #2 observed at Matanzas oil terminal anchorage. Position: 23

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9. INTELLIGENCE ASSESSMENT & RECOMMENDATIONS

■ HIGH CONFIDENCE ASSESSMENT	Cuba's oil supply network has been severely disrupted by Operation Southern Spear. The island is in an acute energy crisis. Russia is the last remaining supplier willing to risk confrontation with US naval forces. The ANATOLY KOLODKIN situation (March 2026) represents the most significant test of US blockade enforcement to date.
■ PROBABLE COURSES OF ACTION (Cuba/Russia)	1. ANATOLY KOLODKIN attempts discharge at Matanzas (high probability within 7 days). 2. Additional Russian tankers dispatched with enhanced AIS spoofing and naval escorts. 3. Cuba seeks alternative supply through China intermediaries (COSCO connection via Mariel). 4. Expanded use of STS transfers in international waters beyond US interdiction range. 5. Cuba-Russia diplomatic escalation to create legal/political obstacles to seizures.
■ SANCTIONS COMPLIANCE ALERT	Entities handling Cuba-destined cargo, providing port services to listed vessels, or engaging in ship-to-ship transfers with Cuban dark fleet vessels are at risk of OFAC secondary sanctions. Key risk indicators: vessels with AIS gaps, recent flag/name changes, opaque beneficial ownership, routing through Cuba, Venezuela, or Russia.
■ RECOMMENDED ACTIONS	1. Monitor ANATOLY KOLODKIN (IMO 9610808) AIS signal and satellite track continuously. 2. Alert port authorities at Matanzas, Cienfuegos, Havana of high-risk vessel approach. 3. Screen all vessels calling Cuba ports against OFAC SDN list and IMO database. 4. Track STS transfer activity in Gulf of Batabano and Caribbean anchorage areas. 5. Monitor Cuban state entities: Cubametales, GAESA, CUPET for new shell company registrations. 6. Cross-reference vessel movements with satellite data to detect AIS spoofing.

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10. SOURCES & METHODOLOGY

OSINT SOURCES CONSULTED: MarineTraffic (marinetraffic.com) — AIS vessel tracking, historical movements, vessel profiles. Live Cuba region feed: https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/home/centerx:-79.5/centery:21.4/zoom:7 VesselFinder (vesselfinder.com) — AIS tracking, port arrivals/departures for Havana and Mariel. OFAC Sanctions List (ofac.treasury.gov) — Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list, Cuba sanctions. US Treasury Press Releases (home.treasury.gov) — OFAC designation announcements, enforcement actions. USSOUTHCOM / INDOPACOM — Official seizure announcements and press releases (December 2025 - March 2026). Kpler Maritime Analytics — Vessel tracking, cargo estimates, route analysis for ANATOLY KOLODKIN. TankerTrackers.com — Sanctioned vessel monitoring, dark fleet tracking. CiberCuba (cibercuba.com) — Cuban media coverage of energy crisis and maritime incidents. Maritime Executive — Industry reporting on UK tracking of Russian tankers, sanctions enforcement. CNBC / Bloomberg — Breaking news on Cuban energy crisis, Russian oil tankers, OFAC actions. UPI / Euronews / The Hill — Reporting on Operation Southern Spear and Russian tanker movements. Atlantic Council — Analysis of US shadow fleet seizure policy and gunboat diplomacy. CSIS (Center for Strategic & International Studies) — Shadow fleet policy analysis. Windward AI — Dark fleet methodology and vessel risk assessment. METHODOLOGY: This report was generated using open-source intelligence (OSINT) collection and analysis. All vessel data sourced from publicly available maritime databases, government press releases, and news reporting. Risk assessments based on OFAC SDN list status, AIS behavior patterns, flag state analysis, vessel ownership transparency, and route analysis relative to sanctioned ports. No classified or non-public data was used in the preparation of this report.

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