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Please find attached the presentation by Mr. Basat Öztürk, Deputy Director General for Maritime and Aviation Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey delivered at the Plenary Session 5 – Maritime co-operation: the Black Sea experience: current status and the way ahead, First Preparatory Conference to the 16th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum “Maritime and inland waterways co-operation in the OSCE area: Increasing Security and protecting the environment” held in Helsinki, 10 - 11 September 2007.

Black Sea Maritime Cooperation in a Context of Security and Environment

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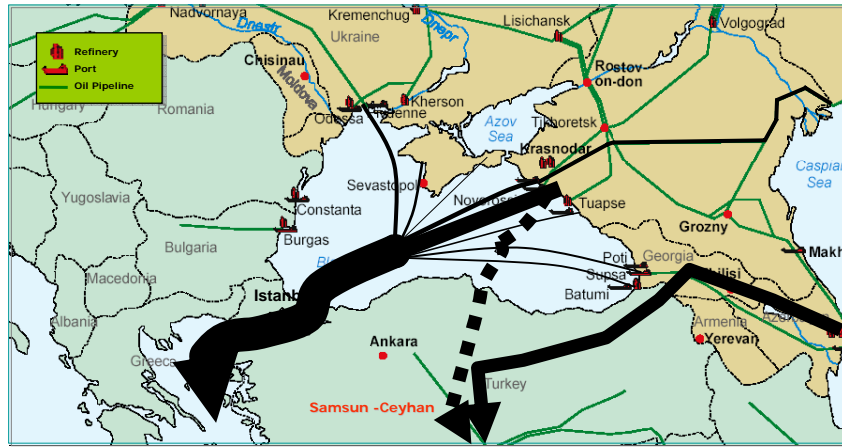
**Convention on the Protection of the Black Sea
(Black Sea Commission)**



- BULGARIA
- GEORGIA
- ROMANIA
- RUSSIAN
FEDERATION
- TURKEY
- UKRAINE

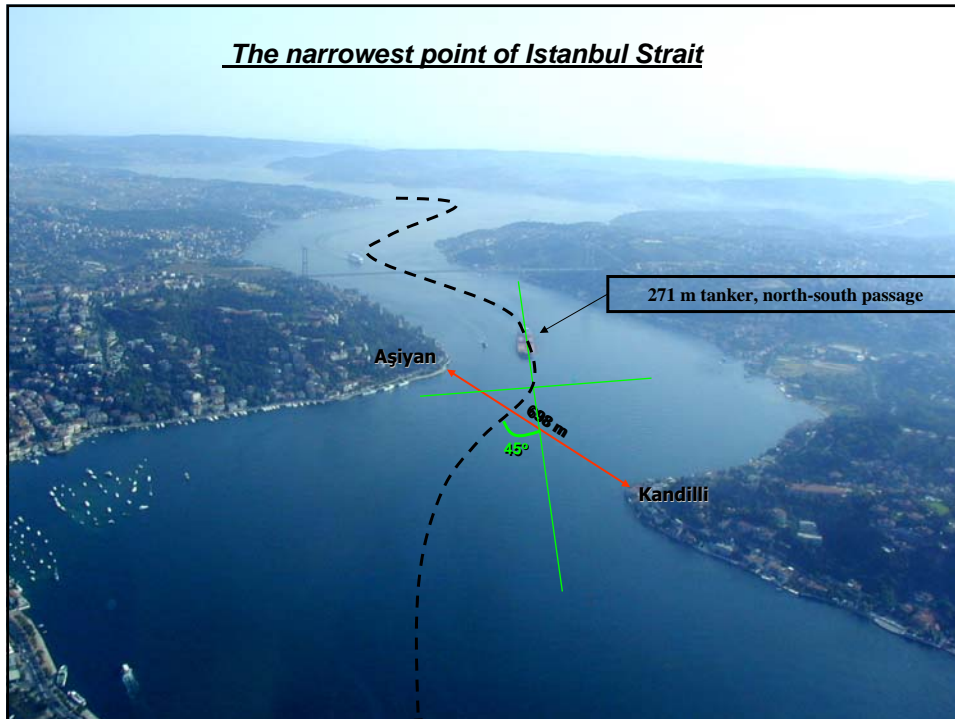


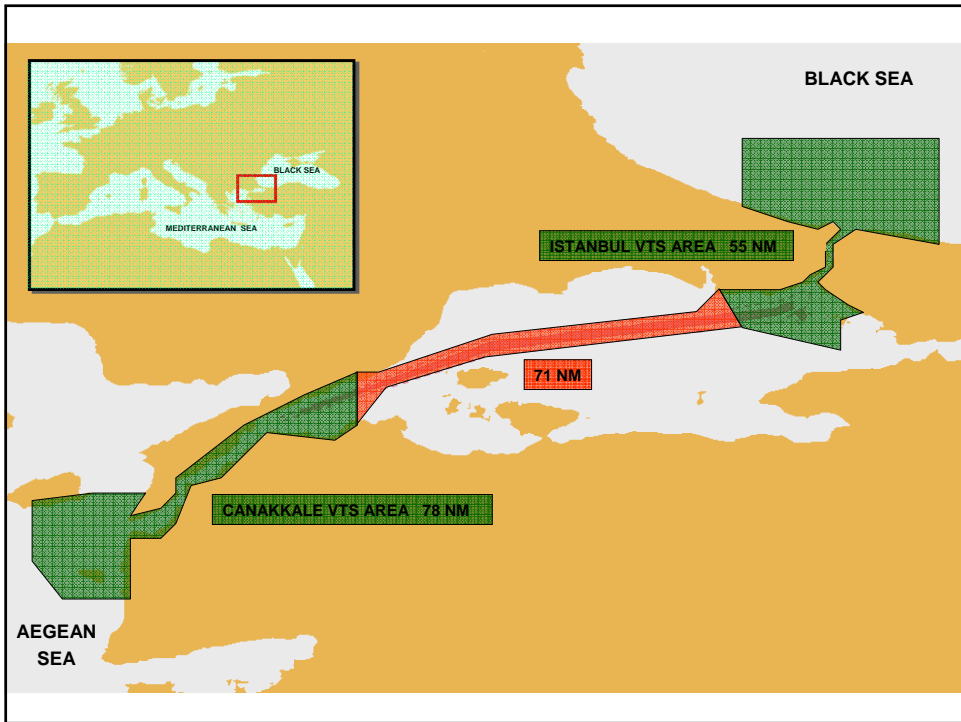
Montreux Convention and Turkey's Own Contribution to a Safe and Secure Navigation



Source: Nefto Transport (Argus)

The narrowest point of Istanbul Strait





Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization



- Republic of Albania
- Republic of Armenia
- Republic of Azerbaijan
- Republic of Bulgaria
- Georgia
- Hellenic Republic
- Republic of Moldova
- Romania
- Russian Federation
- Republic of Serbia
- Republic of Turkey
- Ukraine



Black Sea Naval Cooperation Task Group (BLACKSEAFOR)



- Created in 2001
- Interoperability among the naval forces

Operations and Tasks

- Counter-terrorism
- Search and rescue
- Humanitarian assistance
- Environmental protection operations
- Mine-counter measures
- Good-will visits

Operation Black Sea Harmony

- Initiated by Turkey
- Open to all Black Sea countries
- Russian Federation and Ukraine joined

Missions

- Demonstrate naval presence
- Exchange of information on suspected merchant vessels
- Conduct reconnaissance operations
- Trail-shadow suspected merchant vessels

Agreement on Black Sea Coast and Border Guards Cooperation Forum



A feasible strategy towards
the Black Sea:

Complementarity and synergy
with existing efforts and
mechanisms