
TURKEY SAYS GREECE MUST COORDINATE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN CONTESTED AEGEAN WATERS

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Turkeys defence ministry said on Thursday that Ankara has issued a maritime notice pushing Greece to coordinate with Ankara on all research activities in parts of the Aegean Sea that Turkey sees as its continental shelf.

Ties between the NATO allies, but historic rivals, have improved in recent years but they remain at odds over where their continental shelves begin and end in the Aegean – an area believed to hold significant energy potential and with implications for overflights and airspace.

Turkey recently issued a Navtex – a legal advisory message to mariners – outlining objections to Greeces activities in the Aegean Sea that Ankara says violate international law and demanding it coordinate these.

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