

Trump Declares Strait of Hormuz 'Permanently Open' as US Tightens Control of Key Waterway

President Donald Trump says the Strait of Hormuz is now "permanently open," framing the move as a decisive victory in the ongoing conflict with Iran and a major step toward stabilizing global energy markets.

Trump made the announcement while also highlighting diplomatic progress with China, saying Beijing agreed not to supply weapons to Iran and would benefit from a secure shipping route, as reported by the New York Post.

The statement comes as U.S. forces continue enforcing a sweeping naval blockade targeting Iranian maritime activity in the region.

According to Reuters, the U.S. military has already turned back multiple vessels attempting to enter or leave Iranian ports, with more than 10,000 personnel, warships and aircraft involved in the operation.



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Despite Trump's declaration, shipping traffic through the strait remains sharply reduced, and conditions in the region are still being shaped by active military enforcement.

Reports indicate that while some vessels have transited under limited conditions, overall movement through the waterway has dropped significantly from normal levels, reflecting the ongoing impact of the blockade and broader conflict.

Trump has also tied the move to broader geopolitical positioning, saying the decision benefits not only the United States but also global trade partners.

Coverage from The Wall Street Journal notes that Trump described the move as “permanently opening” the strait and suggested it would bring stability to a region critical to global oil supply, even as tensions remain high.

The Strait of Hormuz carries roughly 20 percent of the world’s oil, making it one of the most strategically important waterways on the planet.

While the administration is projecting strength and control, the situation on the ground remains fluid, with ongoing military operations, restricted shipping and no clear long-term resolution yet in place.

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