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## AMI International - 2012 Asia Pacific Region Naval Market Forecast

**Bremerton, WA – January 27, 2012** – AMI International, a U.S. based naval market analysis and advisory firm, has released its latest 20-Year Asia-Pacific (A-P) Naval Market Forecast this month.

The report highlights that, despite declining naval budget forecasts in other parts of the world, A-P countries continue to show a pattern of steady growth across a wide variety of naval capabilities. AMI projects A-P sea services (including navies and coast guards) will acquire over 730 newly-built ships and submarines through 2031. This makes the future A-P naval market the world’s largest over the next 20-years – as measured by the number of new ships to be built or bought.

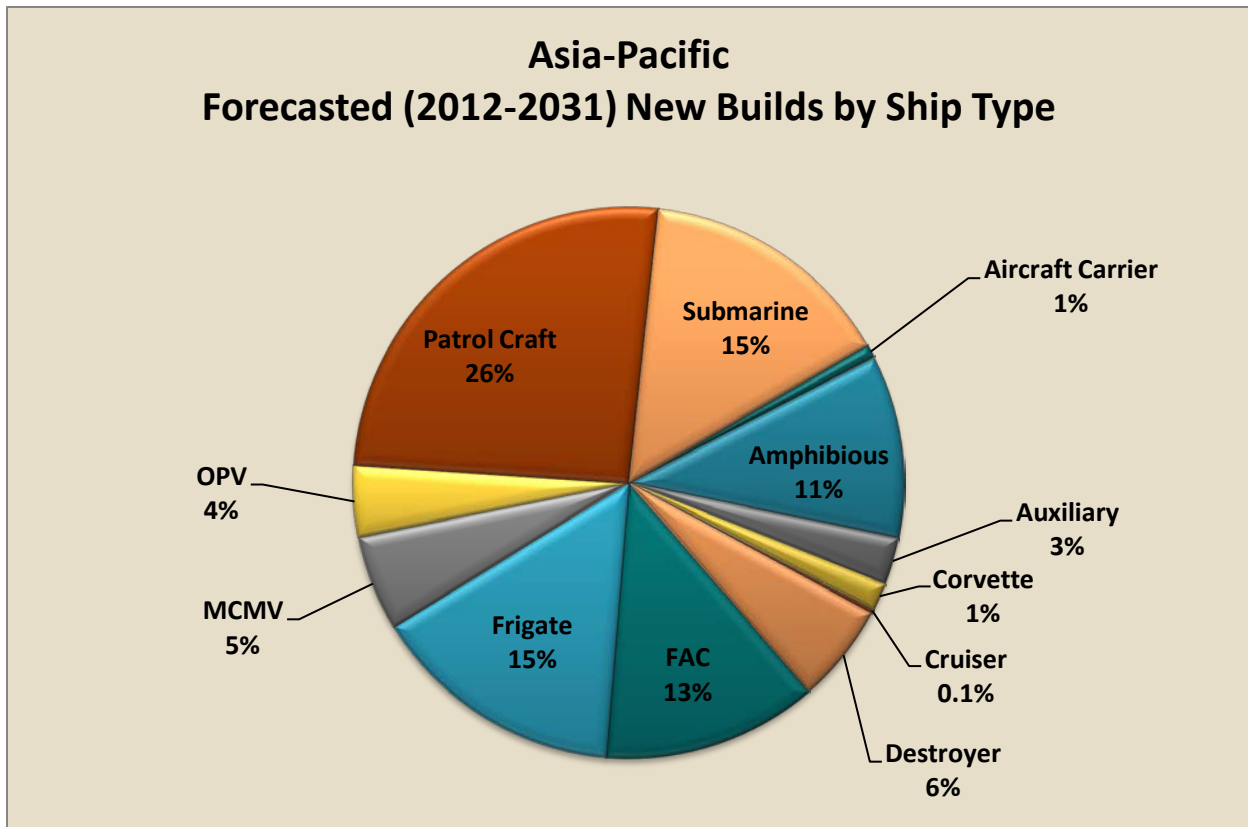
Asia-Pacific Naval Market Forecast 2012 – 2031 “Top Six”		
	# Hulls	US\$B
South Korea	116	26.8
China	114	23.0
India	101	55.3
Australia	53	19.9
Japan	51	15.0
Taiwan	38	14.0
<b>A-P “Top Six”</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>154.0</b>
<b>A-P Regional Total</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>179.9</b>

Spending remains evenly distributed across the region. India and China are modernizing their navies at a deliberate pace, acquiring a balanced portfolio of new ships and submarines. Taken together the two countries represent about the 30% of the region’s future naval market by number of hulls, and about 44-percent by market value.

New aircraft carrier construction programs in India and China are at the top of the region’s naval spending list. But submarine procurement in the region also looks to remain brisk, with more than 100 new hulls forecasted for the region through 2031. This represents more than 40% of the 268 new submarines AMI forecasts will be procured worldwide over the next two decades.

Naval market demand remains strong in Southeast Asia as well, with the top six markets in the region set to spend more than US\$25 billion on new naval ships to 2031. New naval procurements in the region are led by Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand. Frigate, corvette and offshore patrol vessel programs are the core of future new naval projects in Southeast Asia, as well as submarines and amphibious ships. These regional navies are moving up the capability

chain from fast attack craft (FAC) to submarines and “small frigate/large corvette” platforms suitable for either littoral or more distant missions.



Representatives from AMI will be attending the Pacific 2012 International Maritime Exhibition in Sydney Australia, 31 January to 3 February 2012. Contact AMI for a face-to-face meeting or if you have questions concerning our World Market Overview and Asia-Pacific region forecast.

### About AMI

Headquartered in Bremerton, Washington, AMI has over 26 years of experience in forecasting, trend assessments, and consulting in global naval, maritime security, and unmanned systems markets. AMI tracks naval market developments in over 70 countries that consistently invest in their sea services, and provides up-to-date reports on forecasted ship acquisition programs, defense requirements, and naval procurement budgets. Its global customer base spans across 18 countries on five continents.

AMI’s product line includes naval, missile and unmanned systems market research databases. Its flagship “Hot News” monthly naval market newsletter is considered a “must read” for key players in the industry. In addition to its online market intelligence, AMI provides focused consulting services to a wide range of customers. AMI maintains an active dialogue with senior sea service leaders, key decision-makers in the naval and defense industry, leading media covering the defense sector, and its network of international advisors and affiliates.

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