TURKMENISTAN COMISSIONS ITS FIRST TURKMEN-CLASS CORVETTE 'DENIZ HAN'

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On August 11, the Turkmen Armed Forces commissioned its first Turkmen-class corvette, the "Deniz Han" (pennant number:01), at Turkmenbashi Naval Base. Turkmen President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov attended the ceremony.

The corvettes commanding officer welcomed the President onboard and hoisted the national flag to signify the ships commissioning into the Turkmen fleet during the ceremony.

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The Turkish Gulhan & Dearsan joint venture, consisting of two shipyards, built the Deniz Han corvette in Turkmenistan. The Joint Venture and Turkmen officials signed the agreement in August 2019 at Turkeys most prominent defense industry exhibition, IDEF 19. Though officials did not reveal the contract details in public, information leaked to Turkish media indicates that the contract covers the construction of one corvette, with the option to increase the number in the future.

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