USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51) **Arrives in Tunis**

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TUNIS, Tunisia (NNS) -- The guided missile destroyer USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51) anchored out of Tunis, Tunisia, for a scheduled port visit, April 23.

While in port, Arleigh Burke's leadership will meet with senior members of the Tunisian military. The ship also plans to host a reception aboard to celebrate the partnership between the two countries. The visit will conclude with a photo exercise and other military training opportunities.



According to Cmdr. Errol Robinson, Arleigh Burke's commanding officer, the ship's presence in North Africa is a demonstration of the United States' continued commitment to regional security and stability.

"This port visit represents our nation's longstanding relationship with Tunisia, and gives us an opportunity to strengthen our bonds with this key ally

as we work toward mutual goals in the region," said Robinson. "We're looking forward to meeting the people of Tunis, and our Sailors are excited to learn about the country's rich history and culture during this visit."

Arleigh Burke is currently deployed as part of the Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group. With the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) as the flagship, deploying strike group assists include staffs, ships, and aircraft of Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 8, Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 28 and Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 1; as well as the Sachsen-class German Frigate FGS Hessen (F 221).

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Webmaster's Note:

USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51) s named for Admiral Arleigh Burke, an American destroyer officer in World War II, and later Chief of Naval Operations

Arleigh Albert Burke (October 19, 1901 – January 1, 1996) was an admiral of the United States Navy who distinguished himself during World War II and the Korean War, and who served as Chief of Naval Operations during the Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations.