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Burned-out US aircraft carrier sailors near Iran tried to jump overboard – media

Family members are sounding the alarm over conditions aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln operating in the Middle East

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Sailors on a US aircraft carrier operating near Iran attempted to jump overboard amid exhaustion and low morale caused by extended operations, several news outlets have reported, citing crew members' families.

Families have expressed concern over living conditions and mental health on the USS Abraham Lincoln, whose deployment began



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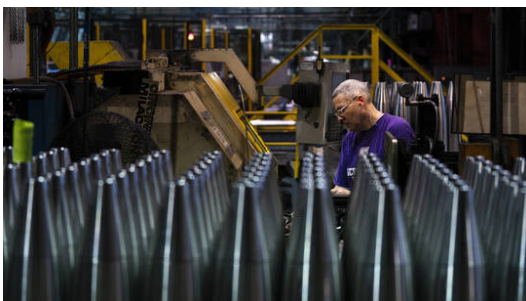
in late November and was expected to end in May but has since been extended indefinitely. The ship reportedly went long periods without regular port visits for replenishment, maintenance, and rest.

Annabelle Loma told Military Times on Tuesday that the ship's ombudsman had informed her that her husband had tried to jump off the carrier. *"He thinks he'll get a dishonorable discharge, and just because he was burnt out,"* she said.

Maria Rodriguez, the wife of another sailor, said her husband had intervened in a separate incident, preventing a shipmate from going overboard.

According to Stars and Stripes, active-duty sailors and family members described a bleak atmosphere aboard the ship, detailing reports of suicidal thoughts and at least one case in which a crew member was prevented from jumping overboard.

"We've just been turning and burning the whole time we've deployed," a sailor told the publication, noting that morale, which was high at the beginning of the deployment, had declined.



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timeline, citing operational security.

The US and Israel launched their war against Iran with a wave of airstrikes on February 28. Iran, however, withstood the bombardment, while peace talks have largely stalled as the vital Strait of

MS NOW cited families as saying last week that the crew had struggled with food shortages and that the ship's store often lacked basic supplies such as toothpaste, soap, and deodorant.

The US Navy said in a statement on Monday that it was *"continuously conducting assessments to monitor and sustain the psychological readiness of every sailor."*

Acting Navy Secretary Hung Cao said the USS Theodore Roosevelt carrier strike group was preparing to relieve the Lincoln but did not provide a

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Polls show that US President Donald Trump's war has been consistently unpopular among Americans. According to an Economist/YouGov survey released on Tuesday, the president's approval rating dropped to 33%, its lowest level recorded by YouGov since he returned to office in 2025.

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«Thank you for your service»
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Believe it or not these fake Jews from Brooklyn and Tel Aviv have America's best interests at heart.

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Avuncular 8/12/2026 at 10:42 AM

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"We've just been turning and burning the whole time we've deployed," a sailor told the publication,

That's what a floating industrial city with a landing strip DOES.

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Karbonero 8/12/2026 at 10:14 AM

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Must be a nice smelling ship.

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 **Khikus Filthius** 8/12/2026 at 10:39 AM ↕

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There'd be plenty of Jew poo I presume!!!

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 **Khikus Filthius** 8/12/2026 at 10:37 AM

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There is no doubt that Trump is quickest right handed strummer that Washington DC has ever seen! About 500 pulls an hour is my guess and with Paul Figaro at the helm clocking at least 750 wanks in total.

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 **Khikus Filthius** 8/12/2026 at 10:38 AM ↕

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Or was that 749?

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 **JT13 England** 8/12/2026 at 10:21 AM

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'the crew had struggled with food shortages and that the ship's store often lacked basic supplies such as toothpaste, soap, and deodorant.' Why can't they get provisions brought in by boat or helicopter for Christ's sake? Or why can't another aircraft carrier take over for a few months? It sounds like they couldn't organise a P-i55-up in a brewery. Some Fighting Force, eh!

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 **Mudhar Hadi** 8/12/2026 at 10:37 AM ↕

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The provisions supposed to come from local US bases, the same bases that were pummelled & destroyed by Iran... The carrier is part of a **Carrier Strike Group**, and there are over 7,500 people to feed within that configuration, with the nearest base at Diego Garcia, some 3,000+ miles away.... Other carriers suffered from catastrophic laundry room fires & blocked toilets, but I guess, this is the third time lucky crew....

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 **yu** 8/12/2026 at 10:28 AM

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King Trump should send his youngest son to the frontline to boost the morale of fellow US foot soldiers

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Of course the Trump family warriors could set an example to their cowardly American followers.

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 **Cornel Alberts** 8/12/2026 at 10:09 AM

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«basic supplies such as toothpaste, soap, and deodorant.» These are cheap luxuries, not basic supplies. Basic supplies are shelter, food and water.

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 **Leti Berg** 8/12/2026 at 7:56 AM

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This is not only the USS Abraham Lincoln. It's America.

Centuries of marching around the world-wars, interventions, bases, carriers, bombs, regime changes-and somehow nobody seriously asks what this endless projection of aggression eventually does to the nation projecting it.

Aggression brings aggression home. We can watch its echoes even here. There is at least one Navy veteran on this forum, apparently others connected to the US military-Navy Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, whatever branch-and some of the language produced here makes one wonder whether the consequences have already arrived, diagnosed or not.

Call it The Echoes of Aggression Project-a multi-year longitudinal observation of how sustained exposure to militarized thinking, manufactured enemies and normalized violent discourse becomes cognitively internalized and behaviorally reproduced. The focus is not only on aggression directed outward, but on its psychological return: how repeated participation reshapes perception, emotional response, language and ultimately behavior in the very individuals and society producing it.

America had brilliant people warning it for decades. Instead of looking where they pointed, America became fascinated with the finger-analyzing it, intellectualizing it, explaining it to death.

Sailors themselves want to jump from the ship-the carrier is not the disease. It is a symptom. Jump America- take a swim -or else.

God help America.

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 **MRN** 8/12/2026 at 9:52 AM ↕

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