

## American Aircraft Carrier

This is the transcript of a radio conversation between a US Naval Ship and Canadian authorities off the coast of Newfoundland.

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*Americans:* Please divert your course 15 degrees to the north to avoid a collision.

*Canadians:* Recommend you divert YOUR course 15 degrees to the south to avoid a collision.

*Americans:* This is the captain of a US Navy Ship. I say again, divert your course.

*Canadians:* No, I say again divert YOUR course.

*Americans:* THIS IS THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER USS MISSOURI, WE ARE A LARGE WARSHIP OF THE US NAVY. DIVERT YOUR COURSE NOW.

*Canadians:* This is a lighthouse. Your call.

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