

NTSB *USS John S McCain/Alnic MC* Draft Reconstruction Study Technical Review Party Comments

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1/2/7-8	<p>“The study did not consider an Alnic MC turn to port or a turn to starboard.”</p> <p>The study is technically incomplete. An analysis of all available actions to reduce the risk of collision should be explored. Identifying the window of opportunity for ALNIC MC to avoid collision using rate of stoppage is important and necessary, but insufficient. A course change could have bought more time to prevent the collision given the vessel’s deceleration constraints, or mitigated the damage by changing the bulbous bow’s impact angle. This should be analyzed.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. An <i>Alnic MC</i> course change was consciously omitted from the Draft Reconstruction Study. However, it is treated in the analysis section of our report.</p>