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Possible Amphibious Operations Support Vessels, Guangzhou, China

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Analysis of GEOINT on 08 January 2025 shows new possible amphibious operations support vessels at the Guangzhou shipyard in China.

These vessels feature an extendable ramp, approximately 133-meters in length, emerging from the superstructure to serve as a link, like a pier, between the shore and the ship. The rear design appears to support vehicle offloading directly from other vessels, enabling access either to shorelines or to further logistical networks via the ramp. The presence of jack-up legs permits the adjustment of the hull's elevation, optimizing stability under diverse conditions and alignment with various offloading setups. These attributes suggest a strategic role for the vessels in amphibious operations as "landing piers."

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