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## **USS Mason Fired 3 Missiles to Defend From Yemen Cruise Missiles Attack**

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While the Pentagon will not confirm details of Mason's engagement, the use of both missiles by the U.S. is, "very significant," Bryan Clark, a naval analyst at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments and former aide to retired former-Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jonathan Greenert, told USNI News on Monday.

"It might be the first time the SM-2 used against an actual threat for which it was designed," Clark said.

"It's definitely the first time ESSM has been used... This is obviously a huge deal."