



The U.S. Navy's new destroyer -- the USS Zumwalt -- has been sidelined in the Panama Canal after engineering problems.

"The timeline for repairs is being determined now," US Navy Cmdr. [Ryan Perry](#) said in a [statement to CNN](#).

USS Zumwalt, which cost \$4.4 billion to build, was on its way Monday to San Diego by the end of the year where it was to join the U.S. Third Fleet in the Pacific Ocean. It was projected to be fully operational in 2018.

"The schedule for the ship will remain flexible to enable testing and evaluation in order to ensure the ship's safe transit to her new homeport in San Diego," Perry said.

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