German Bomb Dislodged by Dredge in UK

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Hampshire, Unites Kingdom A controlled explosion was carried out on a 500-pound WWII bomb that was dislodged from the seabed by dredging work preparing for the arrival of the HMS Queen Elizabeth, the Navy's new 65,000-ton aircraft carrier set to arrive at the naval base next spring.

A 500-meter area was cordoned off while the unexploded German bomb, found in Portsmouth harbor in Hampshire, was towed out of the harbor to an area east of the Isle of Wight where a controlled explosion was carried out by the navy's Fleet Diving squadron.



A shopping center and some residential areas had to be evacuated and airspace around the detonation area cleared during the render-safe operations. The dredging barge also found a 1,100-pound German bomb and a torpedo in September.