

F-35A Receives Air Refueling from Royal Australian Air Force KC-30A

Koku-Jieitai (JASDF) F-35A fighters conducted a bilateral flight to Australia while receiving refueling across the Pacific Ocean from a Royal Australian Air Force KC-30A tanker temporarily deployed to Naha Air Base.

This flight, conducted amid an increasingly severe security environment surrounding Japan, deepens bilateral interoperability, serves to robustly advance Japan–Australia defense cooperation, and strengthens deterrence in the region.

