

## End of Cope North 2023

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From January 23 to March 4, Koku-Jieitai (Japan Air Self-Defense Force) held the Japan-U. S. - Australia Trilateral Exercise Cope North 23.

The purpose of this exercise was to improve the tactical skills of the units, the Japan-U. S. joint response capabilities, and the interoperability between the participating countries in a practical training environment, as well as to improve the capabilities of the units and the coordination procedures between the participating countries by conducting joint training for humanitarian assistance and disaster relief activities.

This year, we conducted the first Agile Combat Employment (ACE) training, as well as we tried to achieve flexible operational procedures for our forces through mobile deployment, moreover through this exercise, we promoted defense cooperation and exchanges between the Japan, the United States, Australia, France and Canada and strengthened mutual understanding and trust with our allies and like-minded countries.

Koku-Jieitai will continue to deepen and expand cooperation with its allies and like-minded countries, and contribute to maintaining and strengthening the Free and Open Indo-Pacific (FOIP) and regional peace and stability.



JAPAN-U.S. Formation flight



Ground Photo



Group photo



Security training(K9)



Aeromedical Evacuation Training



Combat Offload Training