

(Press Release)

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Cope North 2024

The Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF) will conduct Cope North 2024, trilateral exercise with the United States Air Force (USAF) and the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF), with together the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) as follows to contribute to realizing a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific".

Details

1. Purpose

To enhance tactical skills of the units and strengthen Japan-U.S. bilateral response capability, and trilateral interoperability through the trilateral exercise, as well as to reinforce unit capabilities and cooperation procedures between the participating countries through Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HA/DR) training.

2. Period of the exercise

February 5 - February 23 2024 (Period including deployment and redeployment: January 19 - March 6)

3. Location

Guam and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, U.S. and the surrounding airspace

4. Participating assets of JASDF

a. Unit

8th Air Wing (Tsuiki), 9th Air Wing (Naha), Air Tactics Development Wing (Hyakuri etc.), Air Rescue Wing (Iruma etc.), Airborne Warning and Control Wing (Hamamatsu), 1st Tactical Airlift Group (Komaki), Air Traffic Control Service Group (Fuchu), Air Weather Service Group (Fuchu), Aero Medical Evacuation Squadron (Komaki), Iruma SDF Hospital (Iruma), and Air Materiel Command Headquarters (Jujo)

- b. Type and number of aircraft
 - 6 F-15J/DJs, 6 F-2As, 1 U-125A, 1 UH-60J, 1 E-767, and 1 C-130H
- c. Number of participants
 Approximately 500 personnel

5. Training

Tactical training and HA/DR training