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Joint Staff

(Announcement)

### Japan-U.S. -Philippines Trilateral Exercise

Japan Self-Defense Force (JSDF), the United States Navy (USN) and the Philippine Navy (PN), demonstrating a collective commitment to strengthen regional and international cooperation in support of a Free and Open Indo-Pacific, conducted a Trilateral Exercise as a Maritime Cooperative Activity.

The activity conducted in a manner consistent with international law and with due regard to the freedom of navigation and the rights and interests of other States.

This underscores multilateral commitments to upholding the right of freedom of navigation and overflight, other lawful uses of the sea and international airspace, as well as respect for maritime right under international law, as reflected in the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

#### 1. Date

Dec 6, 2024

#### 2. Exercise Area

The South China Sea

#### 3. Participating Units

(1) JMSDF: JS SAMIDARE

(2) USN: P-8A

(3) PN: BRP ANDRES BONIFACIO, C-90

#### 4. Types of Exercise

Tactical exercises