Japan-US Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a bilateral exercise with the U.S. Navy to strengthen capability of Japan-US alliance for effective deterrence and response as described below.

1. **Objectives**
   (1) To improve JMSDF’s tactical capabilities
   (2) To improve interoperability between Japan and U.S.

2. **Period**
   June 23-24

3. **Exercise Area**
   South of Kanto

4. **Participating units**
   (1) JMSDF : JS KIRISHIMA, JS MAYA, JS HAGURO, JS TOKIWA
   (2) USN : DDG MUSTIN

5. **Type of exercise**
   Tactical exercise

6. **Notes**
   Preventive measures against COVID-19 were implemented during the exercise.
From the left, JS *TOKIWA*, JS *MAYA*, USS *MUSTIN*, JS *HAGURO*, and JS *KIRISHIMA*

The commander of JS *HAGURO* and USS *MUSTIN*