Japan-US Bilateral Exercise

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

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

2. Period
   August 14 - 15

3. Exercise Area
   East China Sea

4. Participating units
   (1) JMSDF : JS CHOKAI
   (2) USN : USS BENFOLD

5. Type of exercise
   Tactical exercise

6. Notes
   Preventive measures against COVID-19 were implemented during the exercise.
Sending a flag signaling from JS CHOKAI to USS BENFOLD

From the front, JS CHOKAI, USS BENFOLD