



# PRESS RELEASE

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## Japan-U.K. Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a bilateral exercise with the Royal Navy in order to strengthen cooperation and realize a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific” as described below.

### 1. Objectives

- (1) To improve JMSDF’s tactical capabilities
- (2) To strengthen cooperation with the Royal Navy

### 2. Period

September 14-15

### 3. Exercise Area

In the vicinity around Japan

### 4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: Submarine×1
- (2) Royal Navy: Submarine×1

### 5. Type of exercise

Anti-Submarine Warfare Exercise

### 6. Notes

- (1) This is the first time for JMSDF to conduct a bilateral exercise with a Royal Navy’s submarine.
- (2) Preventive measures against COVID-19 were implemented during the exercise.