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(Announcement)

## Japan-U.S.-Australia Trilateral Exercise (NOBLE PARTNER 22)

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2022 (IPD22) unit conducted a trilateral exercise with the U.S. Navy (USN) and Royal Australian Navy (RAN) in order to strengthen cooperation to realize a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific” as described below.

### 1. Objectives

- (1) To improve JMSDF’s tactical capabilities
- (2) To strengthen cooperation between JMSDF, U.S. Navy and Royal Australian Navy

### 2. Period

June 19-24

### 3. Exercise Area

Pacific Ocean

### 4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *IZUMO*, JS *TAKANAMI*
- (2) USN: USS *ABRAHAM LINCOLN*, USS *MOBILE BAY*, USS *GRIDLEY*, USS *SAMPSON*,  
USS *SPRUANCE*
- (3) RAN: HMAS *CANBERRA*, HMAS *WARRAMUNGA*, HMAS *SUPPLY*

### 5. Type of exercise

Tactical exercise (Air Defense exercise, etc.)

### 6. Notes

Preventive measures against COVID-19 were implemented during the exercise.



*JS IZUMO, USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN, HMAS CANBERRA, other participating ships*



*From the front, JS IZUMO, USS MOBILE BAY, HMAS WARRAMUNGA*