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(Announcement)

## Japan-U.S. Bilateral Exercise (ILEX22-2)

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2022 (IPD22) unit conducted a bilateral exercise with the U.S. Navy in order to strengthen the capability of Japan-U.S. Alliance for effective deterrence and response as described below.

### 1. Objectives

- (1) To improve JMSDF's tactical capabilities
- (2) To improve interoperability between JMSDF and U.S. Navy

### 2. Date

June 25

### 3. Exercise Area

Pacific Ocean

### 4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *IZUMO*, JS *TAKANAMI*
- (2) USN: USNS *HENRY J KAISER*

### 5. Type of exercise

Replenishment at Sea

### 6. Notes

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



From the front, JS *IZUMO*, USNS *HENRY J KAISER*, JS *TAKANAMI*



From the left, USNS *HENRY J KAISER*, JS *IZUMO*