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## Japan-U.S. Bilateral Exercise

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2022(IPD22) unit, JS *KIRISAME* 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

August 8

### 3. Exercise Area

In vicinity of Solomon Islands

### 4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *KIRISAME* (IPD22 Second Surface Unit)
- (2) USN: USS *OAKLAND*

### 5. Type of exercise

Tactical Maneuvering, PHOTOEX, etc.

### 6. Notes

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



From the left, JS *KIRISAME* and USS *OAKLAND*