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## Japan-Fiji Goodwill Exercise

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2022 (IPD22) unit, JS *KIRISAME*, conducted a goodwill exercise with the Republic of Fiji Navy in order to strengthen cooperation and to realize a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific” as described below.

### 1. Objectives

- (1) To improve JMSDF’s tactical capabilities
- (2) To promote mutual understanding with the Republic of Fiji Navy

### 2. Date

August 15

### 3. Exercise Area

In vicinity of Fiji

### 4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *KIRISAME* (IPD22 Second Surface Unit)
- (2) Fiji Navy: RFNS *KIKAU*

### 5. Type of exercises

Tactical maneuvering, etc.

### 6. Notes

- (1) This is the first time exercise with Republic of Fiji.
- (2) JS *KIRISAME* (IPD22 Second Surface Unit) will make port visit to Suva, the Republic of Fiji from 15 to 18 August.
- (3) Preventive measures against COVID-19 were implemented during the exercise.



RFNS *KIKAU*



From the front, RFNS *KIKAU*, JS *KIRISAME*