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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

Japan-U.S.-Canada Trilateral Exercise “NOBLE RAVEN 22”

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2022 (IPD22) unit, JS *IZUMO* and JS *TAKANAMI* conducted a trilateral exercise “NOBLE RAVEN 22” with the U.S. Navy (USN) and the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) in order to strengthen cooperation and to realize a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific” as described below.

1. Objectives

- (1) To improve the JMSDF’s tactical capabilities
- (2) To strengthen cooperation among the JMSDF, the USN and the RCN

2. Period

August 30 - September 7

3. Exercise Area

From the vicinity of Guam to the South China Sea

4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *IZUMO*, JS *TAKANAMI* (IPD22 First Surface Unit)
- (2) USN: USS *HIGGINS*, USNS *RAPPAHANNOCK*, USNS *JOHN ERICSSON*
- (3) RCN: HMCS *VANCOUVER*

5. Type of exercises

Tactical Exercises

6. Notes

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



From the front left, JS *TAKANAMI*, HMCS *VANCOUVER*, and USS *HIGGINS*
From the back left, USNS *RAPPAHANNOCK*, JS *IZUMO*