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(Announcement)

Japan-U.S. Bilateral Exercise

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2023 (IPD23) unit, JS *SHIRANUI* conducted a bilateral exercise with the United States Navy (USN) in order to strengthen the capability of Japan-U.S. Alliance for effective deterrence and response as described below.

1. Objectives

- (1) To improve the JMSDF's tactical capabilities
- (2) To improve interoperability between the JMSDF and the USN

2. Period

May 23 - 24

3. Exercise Area

South of Honshu

4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *SHIRANUI* (IPD23 First Surface Unit)
- (2) USN: USS *NIMITZ*, USS *BANKER HILL*, USS *WAYNE E. MEYER*

5. Type of exercise

Tactical Exercise (Anti-surface warfare exercise, LINKEX, etc.)



USS NIMITZ



JMSDF members conducting training