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(Announcement)

Japan-U.S. Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a bilateral exercise with the U.S. 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

August 21- 25

3. Exercise Area

From East of Okinawa to South of Kanto

4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *MAYA*
- (2) USN: USS *RONALD REAGAN*

5. Type of exercise

Tactical exercise (LINKEX, Cross Deck), etc.



From the front, JS *MAYA* and USS *RONALD REAGAN*



MH-60S landing on JS *MAYA*