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Maritime Staff Office

(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

January 17- 19

3. Exercise Area

From the East China Sea to the South of Okinawa

4. Participating units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *KONGOU*, JS *HYUGA*
- (2) USN: USS *CARL VINSON*, USS *PRINCETON*, USS *KIDD*, USS *STERETT*

5. Type of exercise

Tactical exercise (LINKEX, etc.)



The JMSDF and U.S. Navy ships sailing in formation



JMSDF members conducting training