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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

Japan-U.S. Bilateral MCM/EOD Exercise

The JMSDF will conduct a bilateral exercise with the U.S. Navy (USN) as described below in order to strengthen the capability of Japan-U.S. Alliance for effective deterrence and response.

1. Objectives

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

2. Period

November 16-26

3. Exercise Area

Hyuga-nada

4. Participate units

(1) JMSDF

(a) Officer in Charge of the Exercise (OCE):

RADM IKEUCHI Izuru, Commander Mine Warfare Force

(b) Participants

Surface Units (FFM(1), MST (2), MSO (2), MSC (14))

Aircraft (MCH-101 (2))

EODT

(2) USN

(a) Officer in Charge of the Exercise (OCE):

CAPT Antonio L. Hyde, Commander of Mine Countermeasures Squadron 7

(b) Participants

Surface Units (MSO (2))

EODT, UUV operators

5. Type of Exercise

Mine Warfare Exercise (Mine Laying, Mine Sweeping, Mine Hunting and EOD), PHOTOEX