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(Announcement)

Cancellation of Japan-U.S. Bilateral MCM/EOD Exercise

Due to the search and rescue operations for a missing JMSDF crew member after a fire broke out on JS *UKUSHIMA*(MSC 686), causing the ship to sink off Oshima, Munakata City, Fukuoka Prefecture, on Sunday, November 10, 2024, Japan-U.S. Bilateral MCM/EOD Exercise scheduled between November 16 - 26, 2024, has been cancelled.