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## Live-MINEX25 (Japan-U.S. Bilateral MCM 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 between the JMSDF and the USN.

### 2. Period

June 10-22

### 3. Exercise Area

In the vicinity of Iwo-To

### 4. Participating Units

#### (1) JMSDF

- (a) Officer in Charge of the Exercise (OCE):  
RADM IKEUCHI Izuru, Commander, Mine Warfare Force
- (b) Participants  
Surface Units (MST (2), MSO (1), MSC (4))

#### (2) USN

- (a) Officer in Charge of the Exercise (OCE):  
Commanding Officer of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit Five (EODMU5) dispatch unit
- (b) Participants  
EOD sailors and others (EODMU5)

### 5. Type of Exercise

Mine Warfare (Mine Sweeping, Mine Hunting and EOD)

### 6. Notes

- (1) The JMSDF has conducted live mine disposal exercises since 1972, and this is the 52nd exercise.
- (2) With regard to live MCM Exercise, this is 5th Japan-U.S. bilateral exercise.