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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

Japan-New Zealand Goodwill Exercise

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2025(IPD25) units conducted a goodwill exercise with the Royal New Zealand Navy (RNZN) as described below in order to strengthen cooperation to realize a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific.”

1. Objectives

- (1) To improve the JMSDF’s tactical capabilities
- (2) To promote friendship and mutual understanding with RNZN

2. Period

August 7-8

3. Exercise Area

West of New Zealand

4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *ISE*, JS *SUZUNAMI* (IPD25 Third Surface Unit)
- (2) RNZN: HMNZS *CANTERBURY*

5. Type of Exercise

COMMEX, Maneuvering exercise, PHOTOEX



From the left HMNZS *CANTERBURY*, JS *SUZUNAMI*



From the front JS *ISE*, JS *SUZUNAMI*, HMNZS *CANTERBURY*



JMSDF members conducting the training



JMSDF members seeing off HMNZS *CANTERBURY*