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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

U.S. - hosted Multilateral Exercise (Pacific Vanguard 2025)

The JMSDF participated in a multilateral exercise with the U.S. Navy, the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF), the Republic of Korean Navy (ROKN) and 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 strengthen cooperation with the participating countries

2. Period

August 24 - September 3

3. Exercise Area

In the vicinity of Guam

4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *ISE*, JS *SUZUNAMI* (IPD25 Third Surface Unit), JS *OUMI*,
Submarine (IPD25 Submarine Unit)
- (2) USN: USS *HIGGINS*, USNS *ALAN SHEPARD*, Submarine, P-8A, EA-18G
- (3) RAAF: P-8A
- (4) ROKN: ROKS *WANG GEON*
- (5) RNZN: EXCON Staff

5. Type of Exercise

Tactical Exercise (Missile live-fire exercise, Anti-ground fire exercise, Anti-Submarine Warfare, Anti-Surface Warfare, Anti-Air Warfare and others) and PHOTOEX



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JMSDF members conducting training



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SH-60K Missile live-fire exercise



JS *SUZUNAMI* Missile live-fire exercise



JS *SUZUNAMI* Anti-ground fire exercise