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Japan-U.K.-Norway Multilateral Exercise

The Indo-Pacific Deployment 2025 (IPD25) unit have been conducting a multilateral exercise with the Royal Navy (RN), the Royal Air Force (RAF), the Royal Norwegian Navy (RNoN) as described below in order to realize a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific."

1. Objectives

- (1) To improve the JMSDF's tactical capabilities
- (2) To strengthen cooperation with the RN, the RAF and the RNoN

2. Period

September 2- October 21

3. Exercise Area

From the seas surrounding Japan, through the East China Sea, the Western Pacific and the South China Sea, to the Indian Ocean

4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *AKEBONO* (IPD25 fourth Surface Unit)
- (2) RN, RAF: HMS *PRINCE OF WALES*, HMS *DAUNTLESS*, HMS *RICHMOND*,
RFA *TIDESPRING*
- (3) RNoN: HNoMS *ROALD AMUNDSEN*

5. Type of Exercises

Tactical Exercise, Replenishment at Sea and PHOTOEX