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## Japan-U.K.-Australia-Canada-Norway -U.S. Multilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a multilateral exercise with the Royal Navy (RN), the Royal Air Force (RAF), the Royal Australian Navy (RAN), the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN), the Royal Norwegian Navy (RNoN) and the U.S. Navy (USN) 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, the RAN, the RCN, the RNoN and the USN

## 2. Period

September 9-14

## 3. Exercise Area

From the East China Sea to the Western Pacific

## 4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *KAGA*,  
JS *AKEBONO* (IPD25 Fourth Surface Unit)
- (2) RN, RAF: HMS *PRINCE OF WALES*, HMS *DAUNTLESS*, HMS *RICHMOND*
- (3) RAN: HMAS *BRISBANE*
- (4) RCN: HMCS *VILLE DE QUÉBEC*
- (5) RNoN: HNoMS *ROALD AMUNDSEN*
- (6) USN: USS *HIGGINS*, USNS *RAPPAHANNOCK*

## 5. Type of Exercises

Tactical Exercise (Anti-Surface Warfare, Anti-Submarine Warfare), Replenishment at Sea, Cross Deck, PHOTOEX and others.



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From the front, JS *KAGA*, HMS *PRINCE OF WALES*