

PRESS RELEASE

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(Announcement)

Japan-U.S. Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a bilateral exercise with the U.S. Navy (USN) as described below in order to strengthen the capability of the 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

November 2–4

3. Exercise Area

From the South of Shikoku to East China Sea

4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *HAGURO*
- (2) USN: USS *GEORGE WASHINGTON*
USS *ROBERT SMALLS*
USS *MILIUS*

5. Type of Exercise

Tactical Exercises (LINKEX), PHOTOEX and others



From the front USS *GEORGE WASHINGTON*, JS *HAGURO*



JMSDF members seeing off USS *GEORGE WASHINGTON*