

**PRESS RELEASE**

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Japan-Australia-Canada-New Zealand Multilateral Exercise

The JMSDF conducted a multilateral exercise with the Royal Australian Navy (RAN), the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) 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 participating navies

2. Date

November 14

3. Exercise Area

East China Sea

4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: *JS MAYA*, *JS HAMANA*
- (2) RAN: *HMAS BRISBANE*
- (3) RCN: *HMCS MAX BERNAYS*
- (4) RNZN: *HMNZS AOTEAROA*

5. Type of Exercises

Tactical Exercise (Anti-Surface Warfare and others), Replenishment at Sea, PHOTOEX



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From the front, HMNZS *AOTEAROA*, JS *MAY*



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Replenishment at Sea (From the left, JS *HAMANA*, HMNZS *AOTEAROA*)



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