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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

Japan–U.S. Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF will conduct 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

April 27–28

3. Exercise Area

JMSDF Kanoya Air Base and South of Kyushu

4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: P-1
- (2) USN: P-8A

5. Type of Exercises

Tactical Exercise (LINKEX, Anti-Submarine Warfare)