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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

### Japan-ROK Search and Rescue Bilateral Exercise

The JMSDF will conduct a Search and Rescue Bilateral Exercise with the Republic of Korea Navy (ROKN) 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 between the JMSDF and the ROKN

#### 2. Date

June 7

#### 3. Exercise Area

Water west of the Goto Islands

#### 4. Participating Units

- (1) JMSDF: JS *KONGO*, SH-60K
- (2) ROKN: ROKS *CHEON JA BONG*

#### 5. Type of Exercise

SAREX, CROSS DECK, LINKEX and PHOTOEX