



PRESS RELEASE

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(Announcement)

The 1st Submarine Training in the United States in 2026 (FY2026)

The JMSDF will conduct the 1st Submarine Training in the United States (U.S.) as described below.

1. Objective

To improve the JMSDF's tactical capabilities

2. Period

September 10–December 2

3. Exercise Area

In the vicinity of the Hawaiian Islands

4. Participating Unit

(1) Commanding Officer

CDR IMAE Shusaku, Commanding Officer, JS *HAKUGEI*

(2) Unit

JS *HAKUGEI*

(3) Number of Personnel

Approx. 70

5. Type of Exercise

Ashore training, Anti-Submarine Warfare Exercise and others.

6. Notes

Submarine Training in the U.S. has been conducted every year since 1963. This is the 91st time including participation in RIMPAC.