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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
 October 31– November 1

3. Exercise Area
 Philippine Sea and South China Sea

4. Participating Units
 (1) JMSDF
  JS *OONAMI*
 (2) USN
  USS *THEODORE ROOSEVELT,* USS *CHOSIN,* USS *DECATUR,*
  USS *PAUL HAMILTON,* USNS *TIPPECANOE*

5. Type of Exercises
 COMMEX and CROSSDECK



CROSSDECK



JMSDF and USN aircrew aboard JS *OONAMI*