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# "Japan's Strategic Maritime Challenges"

**JMSDF** 

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## 1 Common Interests and Challenges

## "Rule of the Law" at the Risk States actors should be refocused



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### **2 Maritime Policy**

3,500km

**Japanese EEZ** 

lapan Maritime Self-Defen<u>ce Force</u>

#### Basic Act on Ocean Policy (April 2007)



Basic Plan on Ocean Policy (March 2008) Upgrade every five years, latest April 2013

Head Quarters for Ocean Policy (Head by PM)

National Security Strategy(10 years cycle)

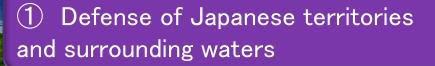
#### National Defense Program Guidelines(approx to 10 years)

Mid Term Defense Program(5 years)



### **3 JMSDF Strategic Goals**

Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force



#### Maritime Stability 2

Anti-piracy Operations off the Coast of Somalia and in the Gulf of Aden



Japan-US Alliance

Fair Winds and Following Seas for the Maritime Security!