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Quad Concludes Field Training Exercise to Advance Indo-Pacific Logistics Network

From December 8 to 12, Quad partners (Australia, India, Japan and the United States) successfully conducted their first Field Training Exercise (FTX) on the sidelines of Operation Christmas Drop at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam as part of the Quad Indo-Pacific Logistics Network (IPLN).

The IPLN is an initiative that enables Quad partners to leverage shared logistics capabilities to support civilian response to large-scale natural disasters more rapidly and efficiently across the Indo-Pacific to save lives, boost recovery efforts and provide support for regional partners.

This FTX strengthened the Quad partners' disaster response capacity through training activities, including boarding a Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF) C-130H transport aircraft. The FTX focused on interoperability and coordination between Quad partners' capabilities. This capacity is key to the Quad's goal to better support regional partners in moments of need.

Together with the IPLN Tabletop Exercise (TTX) conducted in April 2025, this FTX reflected the Quad's commitment to strengthening practical cooperation to address regional challenges and to ensuring a free and open Indo-Pacific. In the future, we plan to explore regular IPLN activities including tabletop and field training exercises, confidence building measures, and subject matter expert exchanges.