The color guard of guided-missile destroyer *USS John S. McCain* (DDG 56) parades the colors during the ship's change of command ceremony held in Busan, Republic of Korea March 28. Cmdr. Jeffrey J. Kim relieved Cmdr. John S. Banigan to become the ship's tenth commanding officer. *McCain*, one of seven Arleigh Burke-class destroyers assigned to Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 15, is permanently forward-deployed to Yokosuka, Japan.

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(Left) Navy Munitions Command East Asia Detachment Yokosuka Ammo Materials Officer Lt Leverette Harper and CFAY Commanding Officer Capt Daniel Weed cut the ribbon during the ceremony commemorating the opening of a new explosive barricade in Urago, Japan April 3. The barricade, which was designed and built by the Tokyu Construction Company, is part of an effort to implement measures to mitigate explosion propagation.

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Konnichiwa

Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) Yokosuka sales store clerk Ella Freeman checks store goods on the shelf in aisle eight.

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Where is your home town?	Olongapo City, Philippines.
How long have you been in Japan?	Two years.
What is your favorite food?	Rib Eye steak.
What is your life goal?	To be a successful business woman.

Seventh-grade students from Yokosuka Middle School recently took their classroom on the road to the Enoshima Aquarium. The students took in a dolphin show, viewed numerous species common in the Kuroshio Current and learned about deep ocean pressure depth. Students and teachers pictured here got their hands wet as they learned about the texture of sharks, crabs and other sea creatures at the touching pool.

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