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## Kadena F-35s Divert to Naha Airport

KADENA AIR BASE, OKINAWA – On April 2, 2025, at approximately 1:00 p.m., two F-35A Lighting II aircraft, temporarily deployed to Kadena Air Base, diverted to Naha Airport due to weather conditions at Kadena Air Base. The aircraft were conducting a routine training mission in the region.

The F-35s will return to Kadena Air Base when able.

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