

Airport Runway Closed Due To WWII-Era UXO

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Okinawa, Japan Airport officials were forced to close a runway at Naha Airport on after construction workers uncovered an unexploded bomb likely dropped by U.S. forces during WWII. The bomb was discovered near the airport's No. 1 runway, according to a spokeswoman for Naha city.



Representatives from the Japanese Ground Self-Defense Force (JGSDF) responded to the scene and secured the ordnance. The runway, one of two at the airport, was closed impacting dozens of flights and hundreds of passengers.

The city of Naha is coordinating with the JGSDF, local police and Naha Airport to coordinate the removal and disposal of the bomb.