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Naval Commemoration Committee of Victoria

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## Battle of the Coral Sea 81<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Commemoration

Sunday 7 May 2023

11.30 am for 12.00 noon

Shrine of Remembrance, St Kilda Road, Melbourne

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The Battle of the Coral Sea fought between May 4th and May 9th 1942 was the defining victory that saved Australia from a Japanese invasion and established the alliance, formed on December 8 1941 between Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia and President Franklin D Roosevelt of the United States of America.



Abandonment of USS Lexington, during Battle of the Coral Sea. Photo courtesy of the Naval History & Heritage Command, Washington, DC