

UNDERSEA FEATURE NAME PROPOSAL
(See IHO-IOC Publication B-6 and NOTE overleaf)

Note: The boxes will expand as you fill the form.

Name Proposed:	Rukan Ridge	Ocean or Sea:	Northwest Pacific Ocean
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Geometry that best defines the feature (Yes/No) :						
Point	Line	Polygon	Multiple points	Multiple lines*	Multiple polygons*	Combination of geometries*
		Yes				

* Geometry should be clearly distinguished when providing the coordinates below.

	Lat. (e.g. 63°32.6'N)	Long. (e.g. 046°21.3'W)
Coordinates:	23°59.68'N	127°02.20'E
	23°58.52'N	127°03.84'E
	23°51.78'N	127°04.44'E
	23°48.25'N	127°01.92'E
	23°48.54'N	127°01.26'E
	23°48.04'N	127°00.56'E
	23°44.16'N	126°58.54'E
	23°41.07'N	126°56.01'E
	23°41.89'N	126°53.87'E
	23°42.92'N	126°51.57'E
	23°47.10'N	126°51.96'E
	23°48.32'N	126°52.00'E
	23°51.88'N	126°55.53'E
	23°54.56'N	126°57.76'E
23°56.98'N	126°58.82'E	
23°59.68'N	127°02.20'E	

Feature Description:	Maximum Depth:	6,787 m	Steepness :	1,717 m / 15 km
	Minimum Depth :	5,070 m	Shape :	Elongated
	Total Relief :	1,717 m	Dimension/Size :	20 km × 30 km

Associated Features:	
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Chart/Map References:	Shown Named on Map/Chart:	6721
	Shown Unnamed on Map/Chart:	
	Within Area of Map/Chart:	

Reason for Choice of Name (if a person, state how associated with the feature to be named):	Rukan is named after the "Rukan Reef", which is located between the Okinawa and Tokashiki Islands, the former is the main large island of the Nansei-shoto Islands (also known as the Ryukyu Islands).
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Discovery Facts:	Discovery Date:	Jan. 1996
	Discoverer (Individual, Ship):	Japanese survey vessel "Takuyo"

Supporting Survey Data, including Track Controls:	Date of Survey:	Jan. 1996 Nov. - Dec. 1997
	Survey Ship:	Japanese survey vessel "Takuyo"

	Sounding Equipment:	Multibeam echo sounder Seabeam 210A
	Type of Navigation:	GPS with Selective Availability
	Estimated Horizontal Accuracy, in nautical miles (M):	0.054 nm (100 m)
	Survey Track Spacing:	6 nm
	Supporting material can be submitted as Annex in analog or digital form.	

Proposer(s):	Name(s):	JCUFN
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	Organization and Address:	Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department, Japan Coast Guard Kasumigaseki 3-1-1, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8932, Japan
	Concurrer (name, e-mail, organization and address):	

Remarks:	The position of the summit is located in (23°45.15'N, 126°55.68'E).
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NOTE: This form should be forwarded, when completed:

- a) **If the undersea feature is located inside the external limit of the territorial sea:**
- to your "National Authority for Approval of Undersea Feature Names" (see Publication B-6) or, if this does not exist or is not known, either to the IHO or to the IOC (see addresses below);
- b) **If at least 50 % of the undersea feature is located outside the external limits of the territorial sea:**
- to the IHO or to the IOC, at the following addresses :

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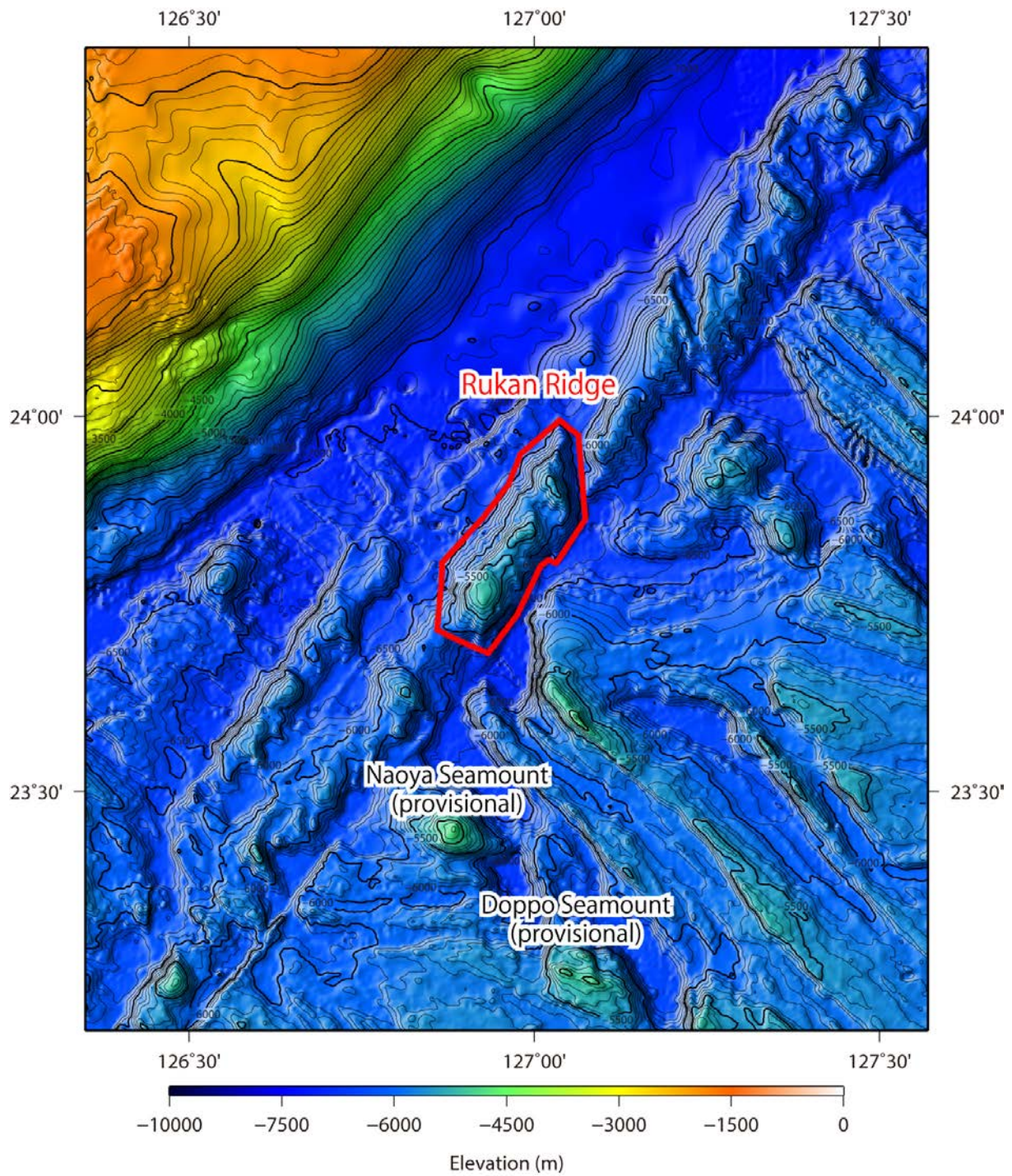


Fig. 1. Bathymetric map of the Rukan Ridge. Contours are in 100 m.

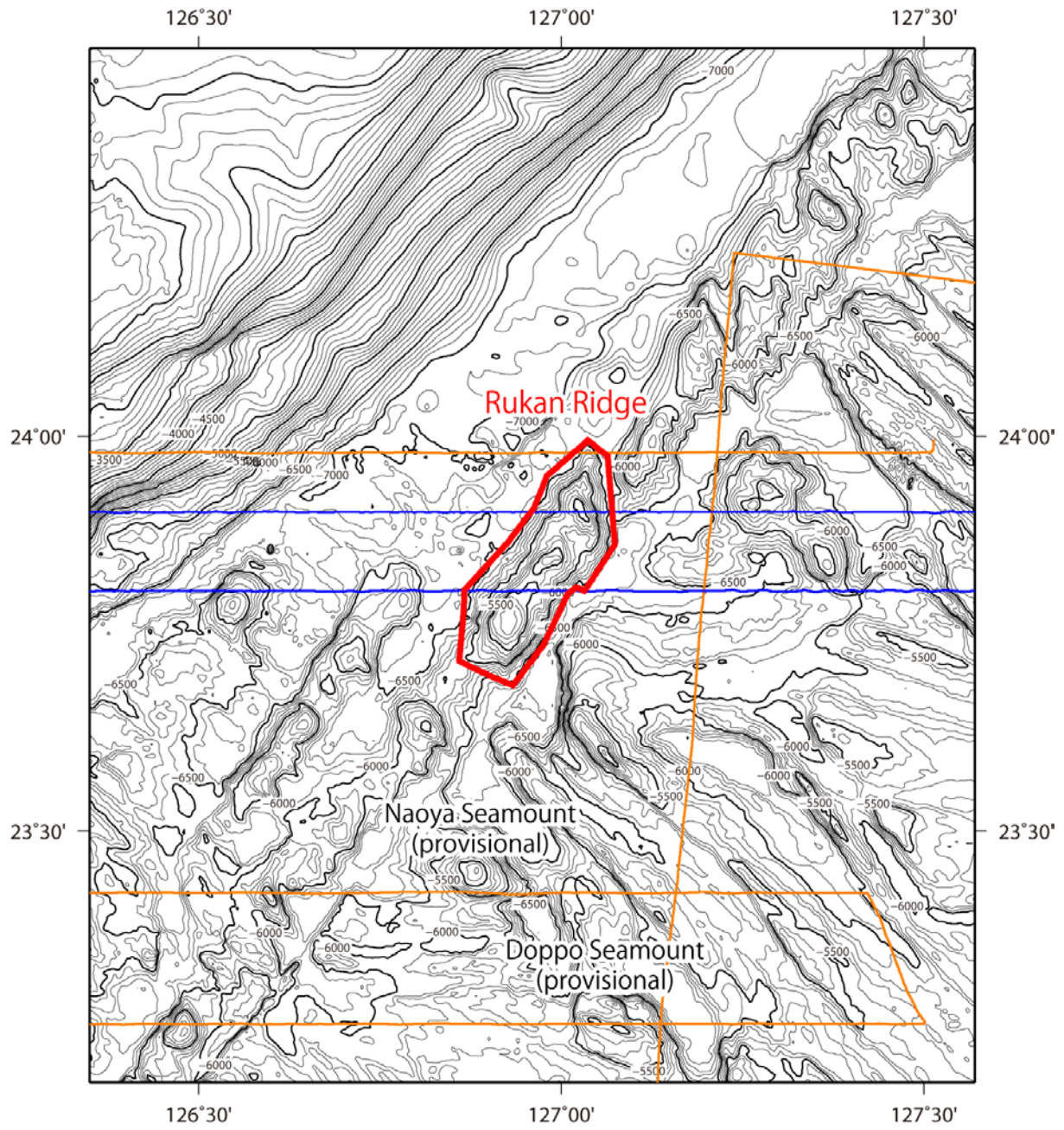


Fig. 2. Bathymetric map of the Rukan Ridge, shown with track lines. Contours are in 100 m.

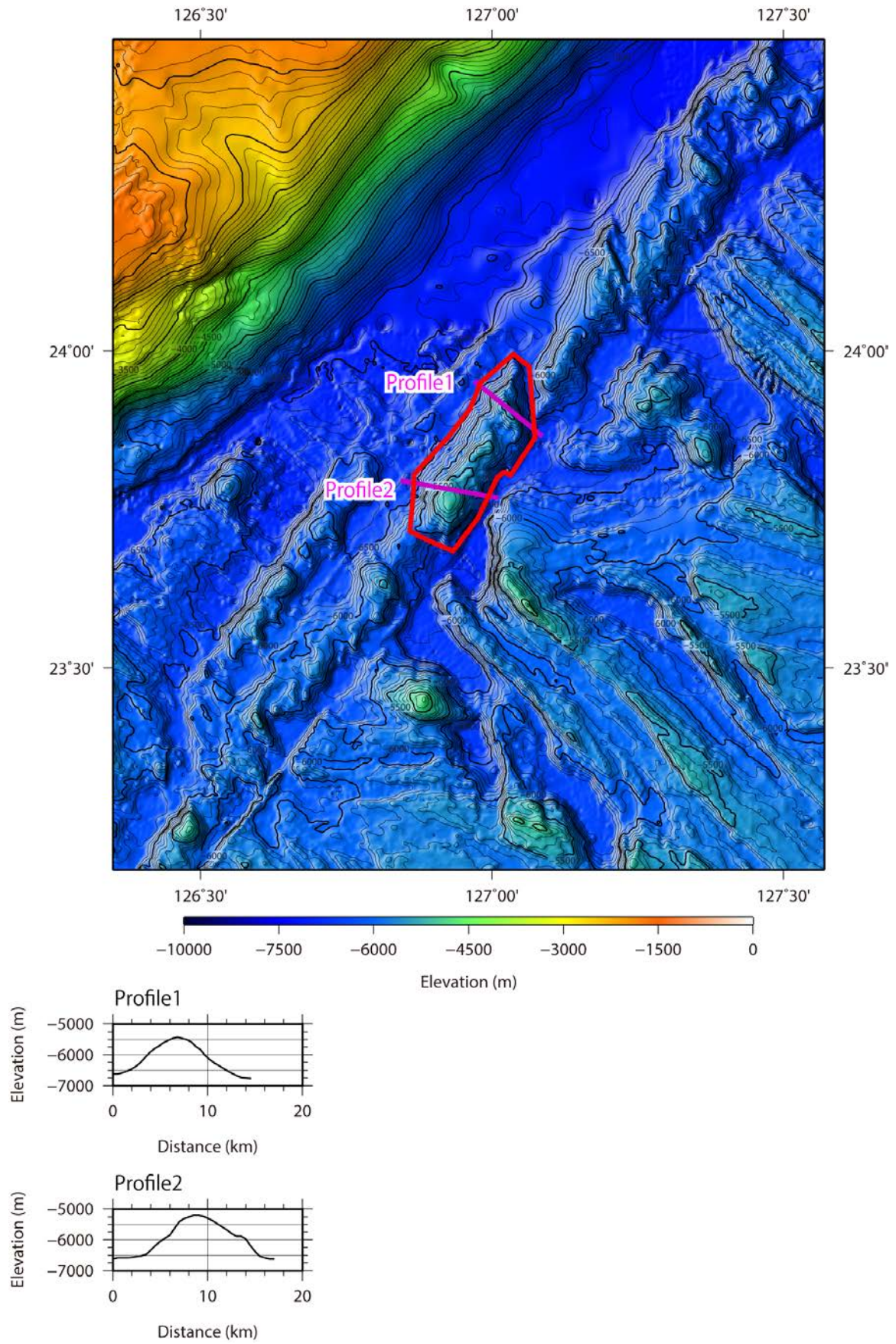


Fig. 3. Bathymetric profile across the Rukan Ridge.