## Chief of Staff's Visit to the Republic of Korea

On October 20 and 21, General MORITA Takehiro, Chief of Staff, Japan Air Self-Defense Force (Koku-Jieitai) observed the Seoul International Aerospace & Defense Exhibition (Seoul ADEX) and participated in the International Aerospace Symposium, at the invitation of Chief of Staff, Republic of Korea Air Force.

During the visit to Korea, General Morita held a meeting with General Son Sug Rag, Chief of Staff, Republic of Korea Air Force. They confirmed the importance of bilateral cooperation between Japan and the Republic Korea, and trilateral cooperation among Japan, the Republic of Korea, and the United States, and exchanged views on future exchanges and cooperation between the two air services across various fields. General Morita also held meetings with air chiefs from other participating countries and reaffirmed the importance of further promotion of defense cooperation and exchanges.

Notably, this marked the first visit to Korea by the Chief of Staff, Koku-Jieitai in ten years, and the first bilateral meeting with Chief of Staff, Republic of Korea Air Force since 2015.

Koku-Jieitai will continue to contribute to regional peace and stability, as well as the realization of a Free and Open Indo-Pacific, through cooperation with the Republic of Korea Air Force and other partners.







