

## Arrangement to assign a Koku-Jieitai liaison officer to USSPACECOM

The arrangement was signed at Air Staff Office and USSPACECOM on March 29. “This arrangement really opens the door for greater cooperation and coordination between our two nations in the space domain,” U.S. Navy Rear Adm. Michael Bernacchi who is director of Strategy, Plans and Policy, USSPACECOM said. “We look forward to this next step in strengthening our space alliances, especially in the Indo-Pacific region.”

Without the use of space system, all activities like other domain, commercial, and economy would not be possible. Moreover, space security cannot be achieved by the effort of one country. So, it is necessary for the allies and partner nations to cooperate and ensure superiority in use of space at all stages from peacetime to armed contingencies. By dispatching a liaison officer, Koku-Jieitai (JASDF) strengthens cooperation between Japan and the United States and further deepens relations with partner nations that also dispatch their liaison officers.



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Representatives signing  
the arrangement

Liaison officer working  
at USSPACECOM