

## Video Teleconference with the Commanding General, Philippine Air Force

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On January 24, General IZUTSU Shunji, Chief of Staff, Koku-Jieitai(JASDF) held a video teleconference with Lieutenant General Connor Anthony D Canlas SR, Commanding General, Philippine Air Force.

Gen Izutsu extended his congratulations on LtGen Canlas' new assignment as Commanding General, Philippine Air Force since Dec 7 last year, and they exchanged opinions on regional security situation and defense cooperation and exchanges between the two air forces.

In the talks, they confirmed that the two air forces made a progress in defense cooperation including the first bilateral air force training even in COVID-19 pandemic, and concurred to further promote bilateral air-to-air engagements in order to uphold and reinforce Free and Open Indo-Pacific(FOIP).

