

Meeting with Commander, 5th Air Force

On Monday, 14 March, General IZUTSU Shunji, Chief of Staff, Koku-Jieitai (JASDF), met with Lieutenant General Ricky N. RUPP, Commander, Fifth Air Force. They shared awareness on the current security environment surrounding both Japan and the U.S. such as Ukraine issues, Japan-U.S. bilateral training and exercises, and a series of defense cooperation programs, among others, while reaffirming the importance of the Japan-U.S. Alliance and bilateral close collaboration. Going forward, they agreed to promote bilateral defense cooperation between the two air forces as well as of the space domain, and to further strengthen bilateral deterrence and response capabilities.

