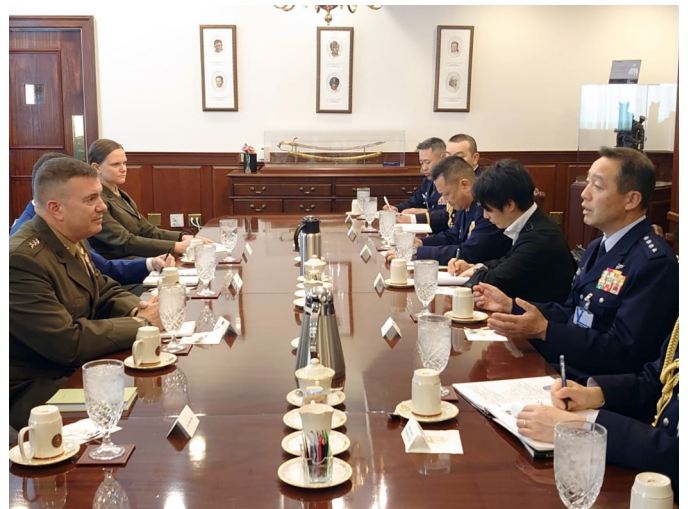


Visit of Chief of Staff, Koku-Jieitai to Washington, DC

On April 17, General UCHIKURA Hiroaki, Chief of Staff, Koku-Jieitai (Japan Air Self-Defense Force) visited the United States for the first time since he assumed the office and met with Lieutenant General Cederholm, Deputy Commandant for Aviation of the US Marine Corps. Through the meeting, they reaffirmed the recognition of the severe security environment surrounding Japan and the importance of the Japan-US Alliance, and agreed to further deepen interoperability and cooperation between Japan and the United States so as to strengthen the relationship more.



General Uchikura, JASDF and
Lieutenant General Cederholm, USMC



Meeting