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Air Staff Office

1st Working Group for Future Fighter Training and Readiness
(WG - FFTR)

1. Japan Air Self-Defense Force and U.S. Air Force will hold 1st Working Group for Future Fighter Training and Readiness (WG - FFTR) on Tuesday, July 23 in the United States of America (Washington DC).

From the Japanese side, Major General SAKANASHI Hiroaki, Defense Planning & Policy Department, Air Staff Office, and others will attend. From the U.S. side, Major General Benjamin R. Maitre, A5/7 Director, Concepts and Strategy, Deputy Chief of Staff for Air Force Futures, Headquarters U.S. Air Force and others will attend.

2. WG - FFTR was recently established as a working group based on the agreement reached at the Japan-U. S. Summit Meeting in April of this year to conduct discussions in order to explore opportunities for future fighter pilot training and readiness, and co-development and co-production of cutting-edge technologies such as common jet trainers.

3. In 1st Working Group, it is scheduled to exchange comprehensive views on fighter pilot training, such as training issues for the efficient development of fighter pilot.