

Meeting with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of Jordan (Summary)

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Japan Ministry of Defense

On December 15th, 2019, commencing at 15:15 pm (local time) for approx. 40 minutes, Defense Minister Kono, who was visiting Jordan, held a meeting with Lieutenant General Yousef Huneiti, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of Jordan. The summary of the meeting is as follows:

1. Opening

At the beginning of the meeting, Minister Kono stated that he is honored to visit Jordan and hold a meeting with Lt Gen Huneiti for the first time as Japanese Defense Minister. In response, Lt Gen Huneiti commented that he would like to continue making efforts toward advancing Japan-Jordan defense cooperation and exchanges.

2. Japan-Jordan Defense Cooperation and Exchanges

Lt Gen Huneiti stated that bilateral defense exchanges are making progress such as the first politico-military dialogue being held for the first time in July 2019, and also stated that he would like to continue advancing cooperation in areas such as training and equipment.

In response, Minister Kono stated that he would like to consider cooperation in the fields raised by Lt Gen Huneiti and that he will have his staff coordinate to host the next politico-military dialogue in Tokyo.

3. Regional Issues

Both Ministers exchanged views on issues such as security situations in the Indo-Pacific region including the Middle East.

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