Japan-Finland Defense Ministerial Meeting

On October 26, 2022, Defense Minister Hamada and Defence Minister Kaikkonen held a Defense Ministerial Meeting from 10:15 for 45 minutes at the Ministry of Defense.

At the outset, Minister Hamada welcomed the visit by Minister Kaikkonen to Japan. Minister Kaikkonen conveyed his appreciation to Minister Hamada for his hosting the meeting.

The two ministers exchanged their views on regional affairs. Both sides affirmed as the international community is facing a severe security environment, the unity between countries sharing in common values such as Japan and Finland is essential.

Minister Hamada resolved to fundamentally reinforce the defense capabilities of Japan through the formulation of National Security Strategy and other documents.

The Ministers reaffirmed that they would continue to promote defense cooperation and exchanges to uphold and reinforce the Free and Open Indo-Pacific while maintaining close communication between high-level and senior-level officials.