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Ministry of Defense

Japan-ROK Defense Ministerial Meeting

On Saturday, November 1 2025, Minister of Defense Koizumi held a meeting with Ahn Gyu-Back, Minister of National Defense of the Republic of Korea in Malaysia where he is to attend the 12th ASEAN Defense Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus).

The two Ministers exchanged views on the regional situation and expressed serious concerns about the progress of North Korea's nuclear and missile development and the advancement of military cooperation between Russia and North Korea. They also confirmed that Japan and the ROK, as well as Japan, the United States and the ROK will continue to cooperate closely.

The two Ministers exchanged views on bilateral defense cooperation. They especially concurred on steadily implementing of the items of the Defense Ministerial Meeting back in September such as the vitalization of regular consultations and human exchanges between the two defense authorities.