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Ministry of Defense

Japan-New Zealand Defense Ministerial Video Conference (Summary)

On April 15, commencing at 5:20 p.m. for approximately 15 minutes, Minister of Defense Koizumi held a video conference with Minister for Defence of New Zealand the Hon Chris Penk.

1. Defense Minister Koizumi expressed his congratulations on Defence Minister Penk's inauguration, and exchanged views on defense cooperation in the future.
2. The Ministers concurred to work closely together to deepen Japan-New Zealand defense cooperation.