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Ministry of Defense Japan

Courtesy call on Defense Minister Nakatani by Mr. Rasmussen, Chairman of Rasmussen Global

On March 7, 2025, commencing at 18:45 for approximately 40 minutes, Defense Minister NAKATANI received a courtesy call from Mr. Rasmussen, Chairman of Rasmussen Global (former Secretary General of NATO, former Prime Minister of Denmark) during his visit to Tokyo.

1. At the outset, Defense Minister Nakatani welcomed Mr. Rasmussen's visit to Tokyo. Mr. Rasmussen conveyed his appreciation to the Minister for hosting the visit.
2. Mr. Rasmussen expressed his respect for Japan's continued strong support for Ukraine. They also welcomed the recent strengthening of cooperation between Japan and NATO as well as European like-minded partners, including Denmark, and confirmed the importance of continuing such cooperation.
3. The two sides confirmed that the security of Euro-Atlantic and Indo-Pacific is inseparable, and exchanged views on the recent situations in both regions.