Joint Statement of Chiefs of Defense

On Sunday, 28 March 2021, Chief of Staff, Joint Staff, General Yamazaki issued the following Joint Statement to demand a peaceful solution to the situation in Myanmar.

Joint Statement of Chiefs of Defense
Condemning Military-Sponsored Violence in Myanmar

The following is a joint statement of the Chiefs of Defense of Australia, Canada, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

As Chiefs of Defense, we condemn the use of lethal force against unarmed people by the Myanmar Armed Forces and associated security services. A professional military follows international standards for conduct and is responsible for protecting – not harming – the people it serves. We urge the Myanmar Armed Forces to cease violence and work to restore respect and credibility with the people of Myanmar that it has lost through its actions.