



Trilateral meeting between U.S., Korean and Japanese Chiefs of Defense Joint Press Release

HONOLULU, July 1, 2014 -- The Chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Martin Dempsey, hosted his counterparts from the Republic of Korea and Japan to exchange views on regional security issues.

Adm. Choi Yoon-Hee, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff of Republic of Korea, and Gen. Shigeru Iwasaki, Chief of Joint Staff, Japan Self-Defense Forces, met with Gen. Dempsey in Hawaii. The chiefs of defense discussed the evolving security environment, in particular the enduring North Korea nuclear and missile threat, as well as ways to promote peace and stability in the region.

The meeting comes just after the start of the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) Exercise, the international maritime exercise taking place in and around the Hawaiian Islands. All three nations' militaries are participating in RIMPAC.