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## The result of the meeting between General Iwasaki, Chief of Joint Staff and Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Commander-in-Chief of Myanmar

- 1. Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Commander-in-Chief of Myanmar Defense Services paid an official visit to Japan from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, upon the invitation of General Shigeru Iwasaki, Chief of Joint Staff, Japan Self-Defense Forces. In the meeting between General Iwasaki and Senior General Min Aung Hlaing on 24<sup>th</sup> September, they exchanged views on issues such as the security situation in the Asia-Pacific region and defense cooperation and exchanges between Japan and Myanmar.
- 2. Senior General Min Aung Hlaing was officially invited to Japan to reciprocate General Iwasaki's visit to Myanmar in May 2014. General Iwasaki expressed his warmest welcome to the Senior General, who became the first, and addressed his thanks to achievement of mutual visit in the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relationship between Japan and Myanmar.
- 3. In order to further promote the exchanges between defense authorities of the two countries as decided upon during Prime Minister Abe's visit to Myanmar in May 2013 and President Thien Sein's visit to Japan in December 2013, the two Generals shared the view that it is important to develop relations each other by working, especially encouraging talents on programs of defense cooperation.
- 4. Senior General Min Aung Hlaing appreciated the warm hospitality extended by General Iwasaki and welcomed the fruitful discussions in a friendly atmosphere.

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