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Joint Staff

U.S. Strategic Command Commander's Visit to Japan

Chief of Staff of the Joint Staff, General Yamazaki Koji met with the U.S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) Commander Admiral Charles A. Richard on 12 July, 2021 at the Ministry of Defense. It was Admiral Richard's first visit to Japan since he assumed command of USSTRATCOM.

General Yamazaki and Admiral Richard shared their views on the security environment in the region and situational awareness in areas surrounding Japan and discussed how we will maintain and enhance effective deterrence based on the Japan-U.S. Alliance. The two leaders also agreed that Japan and the U.S. will further strengthen the necessary deterrence and response capabilities based on our ironclad alliance to counter any unilateral attempts to change the status quo in the region as well as nuclear and ballistic missile threats to ensure peace and stability in the region.

