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Japan Joint Staff

(Announcement)

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff's Visiting to the Joint Staff

General YOSHIDA, Chief of Staff, the Joint Staff had a meeting and discussion with General Charles Q. Brown Jr., Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on 10 November, at the Ministry of Defense, Tokyo Japan. Gen Brown's visit to Japan was the first overseas trip since assuming his duties as the Chairman.

The two leaders reconfirmed that the Japan-U.S. Alliance remains stronger than ever before and is the cornerstone for Japan's security although the international community rapidly changes and the center of gravity of global power shifts toward the Indo-Pacific region

The two leaders also exchanged opinions on specific efforts to further strengthen the bilateral deterrence and response capabilities including bilateral coordination procedures with the establishment of a Permanent Joint Headquarters, and the effective operation of counterstrike capabilities. They renewed their recognition of the need to further expand and deepen Japan-U.S. defense cooperation in all areas. In this context, they agreed that the fundamental reinforcement of Japan's defense capability will lead to more effective demonstration of U.S. capabilities and further enhance the bilateral and joint deterrence and response capabilities of Japan and the U.S.

Furthermore, they shared a view that it is indispensable for both countries to further promote and strengthen multilateral defense cooperation and exchanges with like-minded countries based on the Japan-U.S. alliance, and create a desirable security environment for securing peace and stability of Japan and the international community.

