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Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. CQ Brown, Jr.; Chief of Staff, Japan Joint Staff Gen. Yoshihide Yoshida; and Chairman of the Republic of Korea Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Kim Myung-soo spoke today by video teleconference.

The chiefs of defense discussed trilateral cooperation initiatives, global security issues, and recent Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) provocations.

The three leaders applauded mutual efforts in achieving trilateral initiatives on the activation of the real-time missile warning data sharing mechanism, and on establishing a multi-year trilateral exercise plan based on the 2023 Camp David Summit and Trilateral Defense Ministerial Meeting.

The leaders also agreed that the DPRK's provocative actions including nuclear and missile development reflect the importance of increasing the depth, scale, and scope of trilateral cooperation by the United States, Japan, and the Republic of Korea.

Gen. Brown reaffirmed strong U.S. commitment to defending Japan and the Republic of Korea. The leaders recognized that trilateral cooperation helps ensure peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula, in the Indo-Pacific, and beyond.

The leaders look forward to holding the next trilateral chiefs of defense in-person meeting this summer.