On February 7th, 2023, Consul-General KOBAYASHI received a courtesy call from the leadership of Japan Air Self-Defense Force who is conducting Japan-US- Australia joint exercise Cope North 23.

Japan Air Self-Defense Force participates in the exercise every year in an effort towards maintaining and strengthening a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific".



Consul-General Kobayashi and Lt. General Uchikura, Commander, JASDF Air Defense Command



Consul-General Kobayashi and Maj. General Kawanami, Vice Commander, JASDF Air Support Command