

# JAPAN-INDONESIA SUMMIT MEETING AND WORKING LUNCH

On July 27, 2022, Mr. Kishida Fumio, Prime Minister of Japan, held a Japan-Indonesia Summit Meeting with H.E. Mr. Joko Widodo, President of the Republic of Indonesia, who was visiting Japan. The overview of the meeting is as follows.

## Introduction

Prime Minister Kishida welcomed President Joko's visit to Japan and expressed his gratitude for the President's words of condolences on the passing of former Prime Minister Abe Shinzo. In response, President Joko, while expressing his gratitude for Prime Minister Kishida's warm welcome, touched on former Prime Minister Abe's achievements and offered his sincere condolences.

Prime Minister Kishida expressed his desire to promote cooperation toward a new development of the "Free and Open Indo-Pacific" in conjunction with the "ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific." President Joko expressed his intention to continue to strengthen cooperation in close collaboration with Japan.

The two leaders confirmed that they will strengthen cooperation toward next year, which marks the 65th anniversary of the establishment of the diplomatic relations between Japan and Indonesia and the 50th Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation.

## Bilateral relations

Prime Minister Kishida conveyed that Japan plans to further support the improvement of maritime security and safety capabilities, including through the ongoing research for the provision of a patrol vessel. The two leaders confirmed that they would

promote cooperation in the area of maritime security and safety and welcomed the signing of a Memorandum of Cooperation on the maritime security and safety.

The two leaders welcomed the first-ever participation by the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force (GSDF) in "the Garuda Shield" multi-national joint exercise to be held in Indonesia next month, and confirmed that they would further strengthen security cooperation including defense exchanges.

Prime Minister Kishida stated that Japan would continue to cooperate in the construction of the Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) system in Jakarta and the development of Patimban Port. In response, President Joko expressed his gratitude for Japan's support and his desire to further promote cooperation in the infrastructure sector.

Prime Minister Kishida conveyed Japan's policy of providing a yen loan to support Indonesia's efforts in the area of disaster prevention, and President Joko expressed his gratitude.

In the energy sector, Prime Minister Kishida conveyed Japan's intention to provide a yen loan for the completion of the Peusangan Hydroelectric Power Plant, and President Joko expressed his gratitude. The two leaders also confirmed that they would promote cooperation in the energy sector and climate change, including collaboration toward the realization of an "Asia Zero Emissions Community" vision and through the "Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP)".

President Joko conveyed that all import restrictions on Japanese food products had been lifted. Prime Minister Kishida expressed his appreciation for President Joko's leadership to make such a decision as it will encourage the people of the disaster-affected areas.

In addition, Prime Minister Kishida expressed his desire to strengthen cooperation and investments in the automotive, food, start-up and other sectors, as well as cooperation in the environment sector, and President Joko expressed his support and stated that he would promote cooperation in a wide range of areas.



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## Cooperation in the region and in the international arena

Prime Minister Kishida stated that Japan would continue to support Indonesia, as the G20 chair for a successful G20 Bali Summit, and President Joko Widodo expressed his gratitude. The two leaders confirmed that they would keep working closely together.

The two leaders also exchanged views on the situation in Ukraine and shared the view that every country must abide by international law and that the sovereignty and territorial integrity must be respected, anywhere in the world.

Prime Minister Kishida expressed opposition to unilateral attempts to change the status quo by force or economic coercion in the East and South China Seas. The two leaders confirmed the importance of abiding by the international law, including the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Moreover, the two leaders also exchanged views regarding economic coercion and cyber cooperation.

The two leaders confirmed their continued cooperation in dealing with North Korea, including on the nuclear and missile issues and the abductions issue, as well as their cooperation in responding to regional issues and those in the international community, such as the situation in Myanmar, disarmament and non-proliferation including cooperation in the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conference and strengthening the functions of the United Nations as a whole, including Security Council reform.

Prime Minister Kishida stated that Japan would contribute by dispatching a delegation of instructors to a PKO training session offered by the United Nations for the first time in Indonesia, and President Joko Widodo expressed words of welcome.



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