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Inauguration of the independent Mission of Japan to NATO

On January 15th, 2025, an independent Mission of Japan to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is officially inaugurated with H.E.Mr. IZAWA Osamu, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to NATO, who will be leading the Mission independently from the Embassy of Japan in Belgium. H.E.Mr. MIKAMI Masahiro, who has served as Ambassador of Japan to NATO for the past two years, will continue his duty as the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Belgium.

Japan and NATO are partners which share fundamental values and strategic interests. As the security of the Euro-Atlantic and the Indo-Pacific regions is increasingly inseparable, the Japan-NATO relationship has seen concrete advancements in recent years.

The establishment of the independent Mission of Japan will not only facilitate smoother cooperation with NATO but also will significantly contribute to the further strengthening and development of the relations between Japan and NATO in the future.

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