### Japan-NATO Relations

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| 2010 | Jun   | Agreement between NATO and Japan on the Security of Information and Material | - Courtesy call on Prime Minister Abe and meeting with Foreign Minister Kishida.  
- The "Joint Political Declaration between Japan and NATO" was released by Prime Minister Abe and Secretary General Rasmussen.  
- Foreign Minister Kishida introduced that Ambassador of Japan to Belgium concurrently serve as Japanese representative to NATO. |
| 2013 | Apr   | Secretary General Rasmussen Visits Japan | - Cooperate in counter piracy activities. (Basically agreed to conduct joint exercises with a unit participating in the NATO Operation Ocean Shield.  
- Basically agreed to dispatch female government personnel to NATO Headquarters. |
| 2013 | Apr   | Prime Minister Abe visits NATO Headquarters: Announcement of the Individual Partnership and Cooperation Programme (IPCP) between Japan and NATO | - Held a meeting with Secretary General Stoltenberg.  
- Confirmed to maintain high-level dialogues. |
| 2014 | May   | Minister of Foreign Affairs Kishida Visits NATO Headquarters | - Confirmed to accelerate cooperation in fields such as maritime security and cyber security.  
- Agreed to dispatch a liaison officer to the Allied Maritime Command (MARCOM).  
- Mentioned strengthening cooperation through the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence (CCDCOE). |
| 2015 | Jul   | Prime Minister Abe Visits NATO Headquarters | - Held a meeting with Secretary General Stoltenberg.  
- Confirmed to continue cooperation between Japan and NATO. |
| 2017 | Oct   | Secretary General Stoltenberg Visits Japan | - Confirmed that Japan and NATO will upgrade the IPCP and accelerate work toward an early agreement on a new cooperation document between NATO and Japan.  
- NATO Asia-Pacific Partners (AP4: Japan, Australia, Korea, and NZ) Leaders’ Meeting was held for the first time. |
| 2018 | Jul   | Establishment of Mission of Japan to NATO | - First time for a Japanese prime minister to attend the NATO summit.  
- Delivered a speech at this summit. Welcomed the fact that NATO is strengthening its involvement in the Indo-Pacific region and expressed the expectation towards NATO Secretary General Stoltenberg’s visit to Japan at the earliest timing.|
| 2020 | Dec   | Japan’s Participation in the NATO Foreign Ministers’ Meeting | - First time for a Japanese foreign minister to attend the NATO Foreign Ministers’ meeting.  
- Delivered a speech at this meeting. Stated that the security of Europe and of the Indo-Pacific is inseparable and welcomed the efforts of NATO to enhance its relationship with Asia-Pacific partners.  
- Held a meeting with Secretary General Stoltenberg.  
- NATO Asia-Pacific Partners (AP4: Japan, Australia, Korea, and NZ) Leaders’ Meeting was held for the first time. |
| 2022 | Feb   | Meeting between Minister for Foreign Affairs Hayashi and NATO Secretary General Stoltenberg | - Exchanged views on the situation in Ukraine.  
- Exchanged views on the regional situation in the Indo-Pacific and Europe. |
| 2022 | Mar   | Talk between Prime Minister Kishida and NATO Secretary General Stoltenberg | - Exchanged views on the situation in Ukraine.  
- Confirmed to continue cooperation between Japan and NATO. |
| 2022 | Apr   | Minister for Foreign Affairs Hayashi Attends the Meeting of NATO Ministers of Foreign Affairs | |