
JAPAN'S DEFENSE MINISTER PLANS NATO SUMMIT-RELATED TRIP TO TÜRKİYE AMID DEEPENING SECURITY TIES

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Japanese Defense Minister Shinjiro Koizumi is planning to visit Türkiye in early July to attend events related to the NATO summit and hold meetings with defense counterparts, according to the Japan Today newspaper.

The trip, expected to coincide with the NATO summit in Ankara on July 7-8, would underscore Japan's growing security engagement with the transatlantic alliance and its partners, despite the country not being a NATO member.

According to Mainichi Media, Koizumi is expected to participate in NATO-related gatherings and conduct bilateral talks with defense ministers from alliance member states on the sidelines of the summit.

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