

Dispatch of Personnel to the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO)

The Cabinet meeting on 2nd April decided the plan to dispatch 2 personnel of the Japan Self-Defense Forces to the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO) as well as relevant ordinances.

1. Background

The MFO is an international organization which carries out peacekeeping activities in place of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) on the basis of the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (1979) and its Protocol (1981). By facilitating ceasefire monitoring and promoting confidence building between Egypt and Israel, the MFO has contributed to peace and stability in the Middle East, a foundation of peace and prosperity for Japan.

In response to the requests from the MFO, Japan decided to dispatch 2 personnel of the Japan Self-Defense Forces as staff officers in order to contribute to the MFO's efforts toward the regional and international peace and stability.

2. Outline of the Dispatch

a. Type and Content of the International Peace Cooperation Assignment

Assignment regarding liaison and coordination between the Egyptian and Israeli governments and the MFO

b. Countries to which the personnel will be dispatched

The Arab Republic of Egypt and the State of Israel

c. Duration of the Plan

19th April 2019 - 30th November 2019

d. Scale

2 personnel of the Japan Self-Defense Forces

e. Allowances

Allowances are decided by the relevant government ordinances