

Outlook for Japan-UK Relations in 2025

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British-Japanese Parliamentary Group (BJPG) Meeting

Current Japan-UK Relations



**Leaders issued the Hiroshima Accord
(May 2023)**



**State Visit of Their Majesties The Emperor and
Empress of Japan to the UK
(June 2024)**

Global Landscape in 2025

- Launch of the Trump Administration
- Challenging global security environment (e.g. Ukraine, Middle East, East Asia)
- Increasing uncertainty in the global economy and economic security
- Environmental and energy issues, and emerging technologies (e.g. AI, quantum, biotechnology, etc.)

Foundation of Japan-UK Cooperation

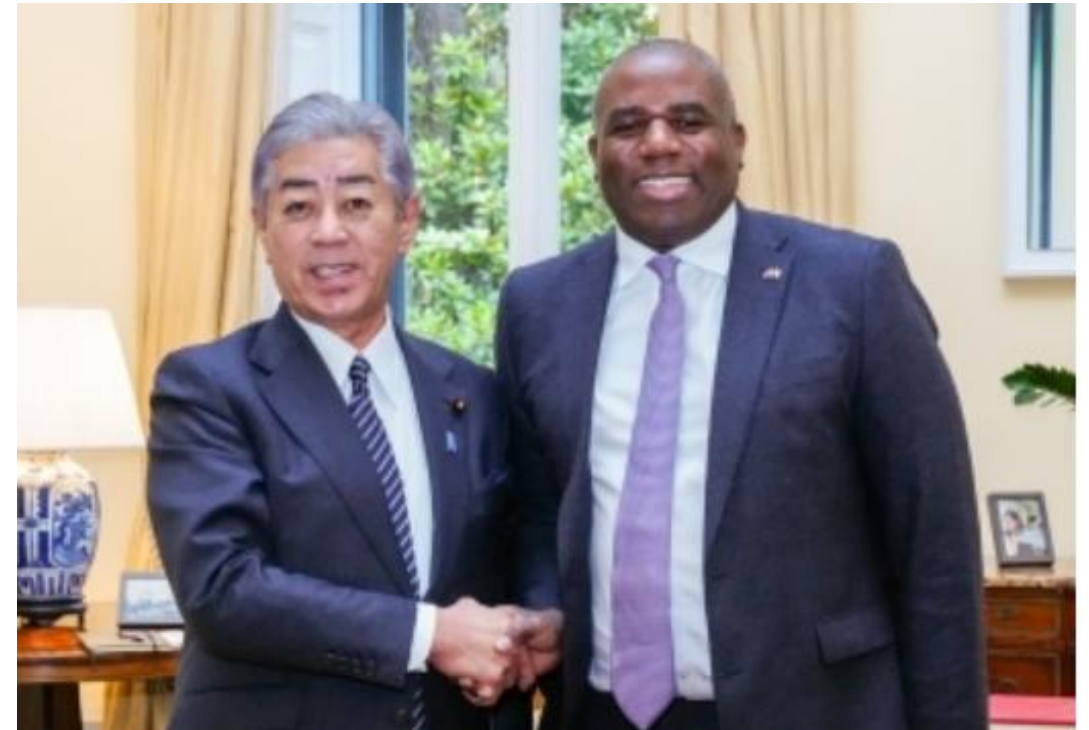
Japan and the UK:

- share fundamental values and strategic interests – G7 Partners.
- are committed to a free and open international order based on the rule of law.
- are both key allies of the US.
- share challenges such as climate change and aging society.
- have 400 years of historic friendship including the ties between the Japanese Imperial Family and the British Royal Family.

Summit Meeting & Foreign Ministers' Meeting



**Summit Meeting
(Rio de Janeiro)
18 November 2024**



**Foreign Ministers' Meeting
(Rome)
25 November 2024**

Diplomacy & Security ①: GCAP



(From the Ministry of Defense website. The image of the next-generation fighter is for illustrative purposes only and has not been finalised.)

Diplomacy & Security ②: AUKUS Pillar 2



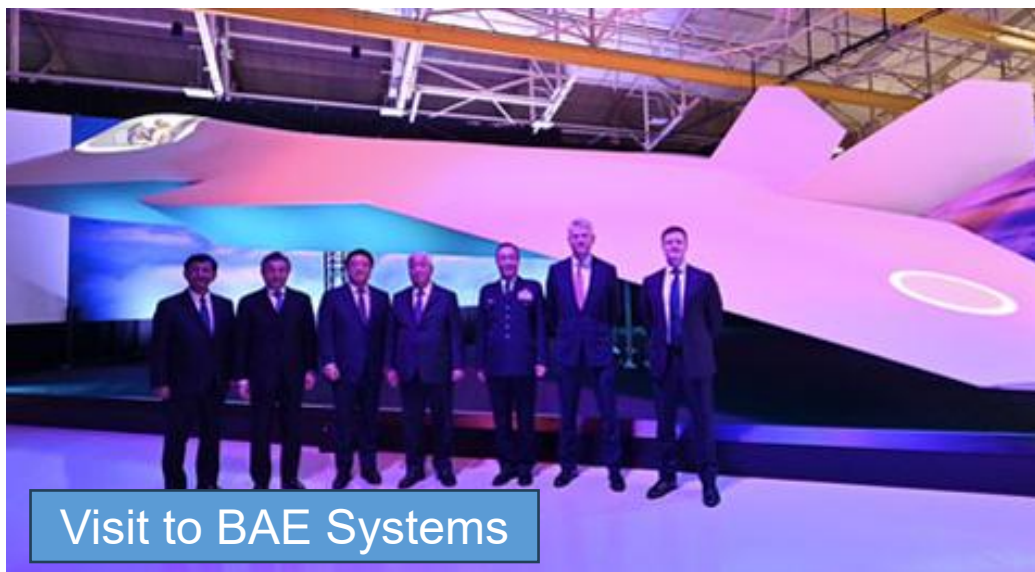
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Diplomacy & Security ③: CSG25



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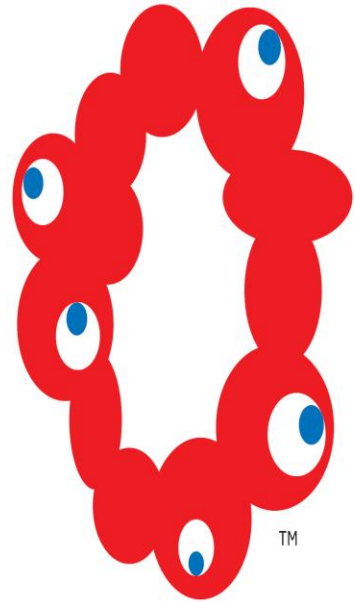
Defence Minister Nakatani's Visit to the UK (13-15 January)



Economic Affairs①: CPTPP



Economic Affairs②: Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai



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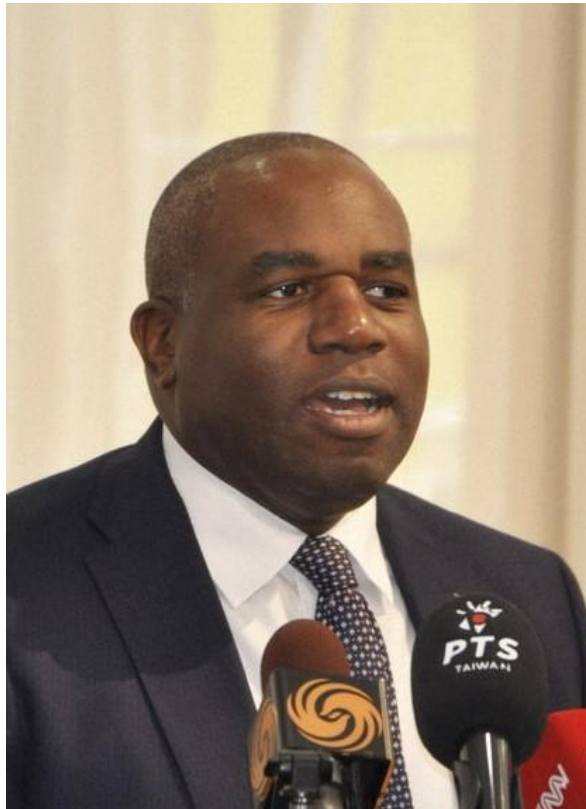
Economic Affairs③: Technology



Economic Affairs④: Japan-UK Economic 2+2 Ministers' Meeting (“Economic 2+2”)



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Culture & People-to-People Exchange ①-1: New National Theatre Tokyo Performance in London



New National Theatre Tokyo Performance in London (24-27 July)

Culture & People-to-People Exchange ①-2: Women's Rugby World Cup



Women's Rugby World Cup (August – September)

Culture & People-to-People Exchange ①-3: Grand Sumo Tournament in London



Grand Sumo Tournament in London (15-19 October)

Culture & People-to-People Exchange ①-4: Japan Matsuri

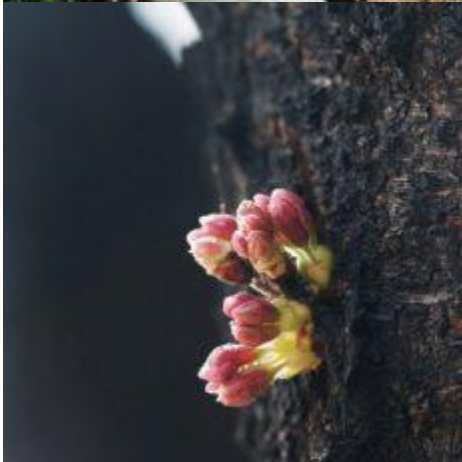


Japan Matsuri (Scheduled for Autumn)

Culture & People-to-People Exchange ②: Regional Exchange



Culture & People-to-People Exchange ③: Sakura Cherry Tree Project



Planting Cherry Trees

Celebrating a new era of UK-Japan friendship and cooperation

Culture & People-to-People Exchange ④: Expansion of the Working Holiday Programme



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