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▶ Changing Security Environment surrounding Japan: Perspective of International Law

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The Prime Minister's Panel is going to recommend possible re-interpretation of Japan's Constitutional provision of Article 9 with a view to ensuring its wider participation in the UN Peacekeeping Operations and also to allowing Japan to resort to collective self-defense when necessary. Nonetheless, Japan is committed to the rule of law and to the principle of non-use of force in international relations. We will also discuss the peaceful settlement of disputes with a focus on the territorial problems that Japan has been facing (Northern Territories, Takeshima and Senkaku). The speaker's basic stance is that these disputes should be settled through recourse to judicial settlement by the International Court of Justice. There is an intrinsic link between the first and the second parts of the presentation, that is, between efforts for re-constructing the legal basis for security and those for strengthening the rule of law. It may sound paradoxical, but we believe it is only with adequate preparedness for security that we can realistically maintain a basic policy of peaceful settlement of disputes in international relations.

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