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Inequality in Security Relations: Japan, Okinawa, and Taiwan in the Japan-US Security Treaty System

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Since the Japan-US Security Treaty was first signed in 1951, several updates were made to meet the changing security needs, but the revisions tended to be delayed partially because of domestic political difficulties in Japan. There seems to be no consensus in Japan concerning the burden-sharing with US in general and among Japanese local governments concerning US bases locations. For example, how should Japan cooperate with US if a military collision took place between US and China over Taiwan? How should excessive burden of Okinawa in comparison to the rest of the country be lightened? Moreover, national territory defense duties, Okinawa questions, and US-Japan security cooperation over neighboring areas such as Taiwan are all closely intertwined. The symposium examines these complex difficulties.

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