the fixed period of time (such as 15 hours in a week, 28 hours in two weeks, 39 hours in three weeks, 48 hours in four weeks, and 50 hours in a month), and on this basis the administrative guidance is to be made (although not obligated by law). Such ordinance and notice are expected to help decrease overtime work indirectly.

Further drastic revision of the laws relating to working hours, however, is required in this country vis-à-vis international conditions calling for fair economic competition, i.e. reduction of weekly working hours from 48 hours to 40 hours, the establishment of maximum overtime working hours, and more than two weeks annual holidays with pay.

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## 6. International Law

## -Treaties and Agreements-

## Multilateral:

Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees, acceded to on Jan. 1, 1982, entered into force with Japan on Jan. 1, 1982.

Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources, signed on Sep. 12, 1980, entered into force with Japan on Apr. 7, 1982.

1981 Protocols for the Sixth Extension of the Wheat Trade Convention, 1971 and the First Extension of the Food Aid Convention, 1980, Constituting the International Wheat Convention, 1971, signed on May 12, 1981, entered into force with Japan on May 25, 1982.

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, signed on Apr. 10, 1972, entered into force with Japan on June 8, 1982.

Convention on the Prohibition of Military or any other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques, acceded to on June 9, 1982, entered into force with Japan on June 9, 1982.

Asian — Pacific Postal Convention, signed on Mar. 27, 1981, entered into force with Japan on July 1, 1982.

The Sixth International Tin Agreement, signed on Feb. 19, 1982, entered into force with Japan on July 1, 1982.

La Convention Internationale pour la Protection des Obtentions Végétales du 2 Décembre 1961 Modifiée par l'Acte Additionnel du 10 Novembre 1972 et 23 Octobre 1978, signed on Oct. 17, 1979, entered into force with Japan on Sep. 3, 1982.

International Cocoa Agreement, 1980, acceded to on Oct. 1, 1982, entered into force with Japan on Oct. 1, 1982.

Extension of the International Coffee Agreement 1976 Approved by the International Coffee Council in its Resolution on 25 September 1981, acceded to on Sep. 27, 1982, entered into force with Japan on Oct. 1, 1982.

## Bilateral:

Protocol Amending the "Convention between Japan and the Republic of Italy for the Avoidance of Double Taxation with respect to Taxes on Income", signed on Feb. 14, 1980, entered into force on Jan. 28, 1982.

Протокол о порядке и условиях японского промысла лососей в северо-западной части Тихого океана в 1982 году, signed on Apr. 23, 1982, entered into force on Apr. 28, 1982.

Agreement between Japan and the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka Concerning the Promotion and Production of Investment, signed on Mar. 1, 1982, entered into force on Aug. 7, 1982.

Cultural Agreement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the Hellenic Republic, signed on Mar. 4, 1981, entered into force on Aug. 29, 1982.

Agreement between the Government of Japan and the Government of Australia for Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy, signed on Mar. 5, 1982, entered into force on Aug. 17, 1982.

Treaty on Commerce and Navigation between Japan and the German Democratic Republic, signed on May 28, 1981, entered into force on Sep. 22, 1982.

Acuerdo Cultural entre el Gobierno de Japon y el Gobierno de España, signed on Mar. 5, 1982, entered into force on Oct. 24, 1982.

Convention between Japan and the Polish: People's Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation with respect to Taxes on Income, signed on Feb. 20, 1980, entered into force on Dec. 23, 1982.

Agreement between Japan and the Republic of Indonesia for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, signed on Mar. 3, 1982, entered into force on Dec. 31, 1982.

Cultural Agreement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, signed on Feb. 10, 1982, entered into force on Dec. 13, 1982.

Протокол о продлении срока действия Соглашения между Правительством Японии и Провительством Союза Советских Социалистических Республик о рыболовстве у побережья СССР в северо-западной части Тихого океана на 1977 год, signed on Dec. 6, 1982, entered into force on Dec. 24, 1982.

Протокол о продлении срока действия Соглащения между Правительством Японии и Правительством Союза Советских Социалистических Республик о рыболовстве у побережья Японии на 1977 год, signed on Dec. 6, 1982, entered into force on Dec. 24, 1982.

Agreement between the Government of the United States of America Concerning Fisheries off the Coasts of the United

States of America, signed on Sep. 10, 1982, entered into force on Jan. 1, 1983.

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