

9. International Law

1. *The Japanese Association of International Law* held its 1988 Spring Meeting at Kobe Municipal University of Foreign Languages on May 15, 1988. The following reports were made.

Joint Theme: International Environmental Law.

<Morning Session> Chairman: Teruji Kuwabara (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

(1) The Formation and Development of International Environmental Law, by Masashi Tomioka (Associate Professor, Tohoku Gakuin University).

(2) International Legal Aspects of the Border-Crossing Air Pollution, by Toru Iwama (Associate Professor, Fukuoka University).

<Afternoon Session> Chairman: Tadao Kuribayashi (Professor, Keio Gijuku University).

(1) International Obligation of Cooperation in Case of Border-Crossing Damage: Concerning an Idea of Q. Baxter in the International Law Commission, by Eiichi Usuki (Associate Professor, Hokkaido University).

Chairman: Hiroshi Matsuoka (Professor, Osaka University).

(Case Study) The Pollution of International Rivers: International Pollution of the Rhine River Caused by the Sandoz AG Warehouse Fire, by Kazunori Ishiguro (Associate Professor, Tokyo University).

2. *The Japanese Association of International Law* held its 1988 Autumn Meeting at Asia University on October 15 and 16, 1988. The following reports were made.

Joint Theme: Sources of International Law.

[The First Day]

<Morning Session> Common Theme: The Historical Development of the Theory of the Sources. Chairman: Shigeki Miyazaki (Professor, Meiji University).

(1) The Theory of the Sources in the First Half of the 19th Century, by Kenji Tsuji (Professor, Saga University).

(2) The Meaning of a Formative Condition of Customary Law in the Latter Half of the 19th Century, by Yukio Shimada (Professor, Waseda University).

<Afternoon Session> Common Theme: The Reexamination of Customary International Law. Chairman: Shinya Murase (Professor, Rikkyo University).

(1) The Meaning of "State Practice" as a Condition of Customary International Law, by Atsuko Kanehara.

(2) The Effect of Customary International Law: An Examination of the Persistent Objector Rule, by Junichi Eto (Assistant, Toyo University).

(3) The Significance of Resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly in the Formation of Customary International Law, by Azusa Shinohara (Associate Professor, Kyoai Gakuen Women's Junior College).

(4) The Legal Effects of Resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly on Cases before the International Court of Justice, by Ryo Yamamoto (LL.M., Tokyo University).

[The Second Day]

<Morning Session> Common Theme: Non-Legal Agreements and the General Principles of Law.

(1) Chairman: Hideo Takabayashi (Professor, Kyushu University).

The Theory of Non-Legal International Agreements, by Masakuni Hasegawa (Professor, Fukuoka University).

(2) Chairman: Masaru Nishi (Professor, Kobe University).

Customary, International Commercial Law and the General Principles of Law, by Hiroshi Taki (Professor, Tohoku University).

<Afternoon Session> Common Theme: The United Nations System and the Formation of Norms. Chairman: Kyuichi Fujita (Professor, Kansai University).

(1) The Formative Process of the Human Rights Order, by Sadako Ogata (Professor, Sophia University).

(2) The Significance of Making International Law, by Naoya Kasai (Professor, Rikkyo University).

3. *The Japanese Association of Private International Law* held its 78th Meeting at Meijo University on May 16, 1988. The following reports were made.

<Morning Session>

Recent Trends in English Private International Rules on the Recognition of Extra-Judicial Divorces, by Toshihide Suzuki (Lecturer, Kansai University).

<Afternoon Session>

(1) Recognition of Decisions of Custody and the Welfare of Children: A Few Comparative Legal Examinations, by Yoshihiro Ebisawa (Professor, Asahi University).

(2) Problems under the Conflict of Laws on Take-Over-Bids (TOB), by Kazuhiko Motonaga (LL.M., Tokyo University).

4. *The Japanese Association of private International Law* held its 79th Meeting at Aoyama Gakuin University on October 17, 1988. The following reports were made.

<Morning Session>

Problems under Intertemporal Private Law Following the Reform of the Horei (Law Concerning the Application of Laws in General) Relating to Marriage and Parent-Child Relationships, by Tetsuo Mitsui (Professor, Tsukuba University).

<Afternoon Session>

(1) Concerning the "Impossibility of Finding Out" the Governing Foreign Law, by Tadashi Kanzaki (Assistant, Tokyo University).

(2) The Significance and Limit of the Approach to the Conflict of Laws as a Control Method of the Exercise of Extra-Jurisdiction, by Yoshio Obara (Professor, Kobe University).

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