ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

Jan. — Dec., 1993

1. Constitutional and Administrative Law

1. The Japan Association of Public Law held its 58th General Meeting at Kyushu University on October 9 and 10, 1993. During the two-day meeting, the following presentations were made:

[The First Day]

- (1) Trends and Issues in the Theory of Local Self-Government, by Yukio Kamono (Professor, Kanazawa University).
- (2) Rechtssystem und Praxis des Föderarismus und der kommunalen Selbstverwaltung im Vergleich, by Shigeo Kisa (Professor, Hokkaido University).
- (3) Essai sur la nouvelle Loi du 12 novembre 1993 relative à la Procédure administrative non contentieuse dans le Japon, by Masashi Kaneko (Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University).
- (4) Kritische Betrachtungen zum Japanischen Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz von 1993, by Yoshikazu Shibaike (Professor, Kyoto University).

[The Second Day]

- A. Constitutional Law Session: Centralization and Decentralization in the Modern Constitution.
- (1) Recent Trends concerning "the Principle of Local Autonomy", by Yoshikazu Ohkuma (Professor, Kitakyushu University).
- (2) Цетнрализация и децентрадизация государственных функцийи, и распад Советского < Социадистического > Государства, by Jiichi Niimi (Professor, Fukushima University).
- (3) La réforme de l'administration territoriale en France, by Reiko Ohyama (Researcher, the National Diet Library).
- (4) Das Kommunalwahlrecht von Ausländern, by Katsuhiko Okazaki (Professor, Shimane University).
- B. Administrative Law Session: Die Problematik des Verwaltungsverfahrens.
- (1) Judgments Made in the Course of Drafting Administrative Procedure Bills in Japan by the Focal Figure in Charge of Their Drafting, by Toshiyuki Masujima (Counsellor to the Director General of the Management and Coordination Agency).
- (2) The Administrative Procedure Act and the Constitution, by Shigenori Matsui (Professor, Osaka University).
- (3) Evaluation of Administrative Procedure Law—In Comparison with its U.S. Counterpart, by Katsuya Uga (Professor, Tokyo University).
- (4) Bemerkungen zum Verwaltungsverfahrensgesetz, by Toshiro Ebisawa (Professor, Kumamoto University).
- (5) Administrative Guidance and Administrative Procedure, by Kenji Kamino (Professor, Nagoya University).
- 2. The Japan Association for the Studies of Constitutional Law held its Spring Meeting on the topic of "The Constitution of Japan and International Cooperation" at Dokkyo University on May 7, 1993 and its Autumn Meeting on the topic of "The Present State and Problems of Constitutional Issues" at Fukuoka University on October 8, 1993. The following presentations were made:

[Spring Meeting]

- (1) Théorie constitutionelle en face de l'avènement du révisionnisme de tendance "réformatrice" et "internationaliste", by Youichi Higuchi (Professor, Tokyo University).
- (2) UN's Roles in the "Post-Cold War" Period, by Motofumi Asai (Professor, Meijigakuin University).
- (3) The Realities of Japan's ODA, by Yousuke Fuke (Professor, Daitobunka University).
- (4) Die rechtliche Kontrolle über ODA, by Yoshikazu Miki (Professor, Shizuoka University).

[Autumn Meeting]

- (1) Theoretical Approaches to Constitutional Issues in Japan, by Yoshiaki Yoshida (Professor, Meiji University).
- (2) Idee und Wirklichkeit der friedlichen internationalen Zusammenarbeit Japans, by Asaho Mizushima (Associate Professor, Hiroshima University).
- (3) The Political Reform and the Revision of the Constitution, by Osamu Watanabe (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

Prof. Kenji Urata Satoshi Kotake

2. Law of Property and Obligations

1. The Japan Association of Private Law held its 57th General Meeting at Ryukoku University on October 9 and 10, 1993.

Symposium: Reform of Matrimonial Laws, chaired by Akira Yonekura (Professor, Tokyo University).

(1) Introduction—The Purpose of the Symposium, by Akira Yonekura (Professor, Tokyo University).