ciate Professor, Muroran Institute of Technology);

(4) Transnational Activities of Corporations and Sovereign States, by Haruo Saburi (Professor, Nagoya University).

[Autumn meeting]

(1) Zur europäischen Integration und staatlichen Souveränität, by Hiroshi Takahashi (Associate Professor, Kyushu International University);

(2) International Protection of the Environment: Sovereignty as a Big Stumbling Block, by Kaoru Horie (Lecturer, Senshu University);

(3) Diplomacy and Local Government, by Takashi Ebashi (Professor, Hosei University);

(4) Nationality and Constitution, by Takashi Monden (Associate Professor, Fukuoka Women's University)

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b. Administrative Law

1. *The Japanese Association of Public Law* held its 62nd General Meeting at Kinki University on October 11 and 12, 1997. The following presentations were made under the general topics, "Information and Law" and "Regulation and Law".

[First Day–General Meeting]

(1) Rechtsprobleme der modernen, technisierten Gesellschaft, Zugang der Offentlichkeit zu Regierungsuntelagen sowie Datenschutzprobleme, by Tsuyoshi Hiramatsu (Professor, Kansei Gakuin University);

(2) Info-Media Law: The "Fluctuation" of Law and Society with the Development of Information Technologies, by Junichi Hamada (Professor, University of Tokyo);

(3) Regulation and the Market-based Approach, by Makoto Kojo (Professor, Sophia University);

(4) Public Regulations and Paternalism, by Hitoshi Serizawa (Professor, Aoyama Gakuin University);

[Second Day]

"Information and Law" Session

(1) Freedom of Information: A Critical Survey of the Information Disclosure Bill, by Masahiro Usaki (Professor, Dokkyo University);

(2) Der Schutz der personlichen Data, by Toshiyuki Munesue (Professor, Kobe University);

(3) Rundfunkrecht, by Hidemi Suzuki (Associate Professor, Hokuriku University);

(4) Le regime juridique de telecommunication, by Kazuteru Tagaya (Professor, Chiba University);

"Regulation and Law" Session

(1) Trade Regulation and Antitrust: Osaka Bus Association as a Window, by Tadashi Shiraishi (Associate Professor, University of Tokyo);

(2) Rechtliche Kontrolle funktioneller Regulierung-Staatliche Regulierungen durch u. mit Private, by Tsuneharu Yonemaru (Professor, Ritsumeikan University);

(3) Welfare State and Public Regulation, by Kenji Kamino (Professor, Nagoya University);

(4) Public Regulation in Interest Group Democracy, by Makoto Usami (Professor, Chukyo University);

2. The Japan Association for Studies of Constitutional Law held its Spring Meeting at Aoyama Gakuin University on May 10, 1997, and its Autumn Meeting at Kansai University on October 10, 1997 under the common theme, "Nation State at a Turning Point and Constitutional Theory".

[Spring Meeting]

(1) "Freedom" and "Order" in the Hyper-information Society, by Kouki Tachiyama (Professor, Yamaguchi University);

(2) L'État-Nation et la protection internationale des droits de l'homme, by Noriko Ofuji-Haraoka (Lecturer, Seigakuin University);

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(3) "International Peace and Security" and the Right of Selfdefense: National or International, Otherwise Global?, by Toshikazu Cho (Associate Professor, Muroran Institute of Technology);

(4) Transnational Activities of Corporations and the Sovereign State, by Haruo Saburi (Professor, Nagoya University);

[Autumn meeting]

(1) Zur europaischen Integration und staatlichen Souveranitat, by Hiroshi Takahashi (Associate Professor, Kyushu International University);

(2) International Protection of the Environment: Sovereignty as a Big Stumbling Block, by Kaoru Horie (Lecturer, Ibaraki University);

(3) Diplomacy and Local Government, by Takashi Ebashi (Professor, Hosei University);

(4) Nationality and the Constitution, by Takashi Monden (Assistant Professor, Fukuoka Women's University);

3. *The Japanese Society for Tax Law* held its 26th General Meeting at Osaka Prefectural University on October 13, 1997. The following presentations were made under the general topic, "Competition and Tax Harmonization":

(1) Aktuelle Probleme der internationalen Besteuerung in Europa, by Klaus Vogel (Professor Emeritus, Munich University), Translated by Yuri Matsubara (Graduate student, University of Tokyo);

(2) Cooperation and Competition-The EU's Dilemma in Tax Coordination, by Tadashi Murai (Professor, Kansai University);

(3) International Competition and Harmonization in Corporate Taxation, by Masaaki Iwasaki (Professor Yokohama National University);

(4) The Harmonization of European Value Added Tax, Yumi Nishiyama (Lecturer, Atomi Gakuen University)

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