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Yuii Uesugi (Hiroshima University)

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#### The Japan-US alliance at a time of regional order fluctuation

Paul S. Giarra (Former Pentagon senior country director for Japan)
Paul Giarra has been deeply involved in United States policy vis-a-vis Japan.Giarra, who does not hide his sense of caution against the military rise of China, alerts the readers on how this poses a problem towards the operation of Japan-US alliance in this present-day.

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Hitoshi Suzuki(Institute of Developing Economies, JETRO)

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## 100 After "Arab Spring": Three points regarding the transfer to democracy in Egypt

Mitsuhisa Fukutomi (Hitotsubashi University)

A year has passed since that revolution. After undergoing the process of a fair parliamentary election, it is now increasingly starting to be possible to see beyond the politics of the regional power, Egypt. Can Egypt continue to be on the road of stabilization, while heeding to numerous risks? This article will also offer a commentary on Libya and Syria, where the confusion continues.

#### "Diplomacy" Essay Contest: Winner of the Best Essay

Web 2.0 and the "Second Diplomacy" Yutaro Mochida (Junior, Faculty of Law, The University of Tokyo)

People today have a public space in which they can throw in their opinions at will. This brought change into the relationship between the state and the individual, but on the one hand, there are states that fear this change, and on the other hand, there are states that use this change to its advantage. What about Japan?

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To heal the wound and to stand strong once again.

The four men who have engaged in reconstruction from their respective positions exchange ideas.

# 30 The Challenge of the Joint Task-Force of the Self Defense Force

Toshimi Kitazawa (Former Minister of Defense)

Since the disaster, the Self Defense Force have engaged not just in rescue missions, but in new initiatives such as the operation of Joint Task-Force (JTF) and Japan-US cooperation through "Operation Tomodachi." We ask Mr. Kitazawa, who took control during the challenging times of the emergency.

# 38 By overcoming the disaster, the "Kizuna" between Japan and Europe has become even stronger

Hans Dietmar Schweisgut (Ambassador of the EU to Japan)

The EU has been continuing to send its warm support to Japan, which has suffered considerable damage in the Great East Japan Earthquake.

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Ken Koyama (The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan)

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# 49 The security implications of continuance / progressive reduction of nuclear power generation

Michael Wallace (CSIS)

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# 55 The nuclear power generation in terms of economic rationality

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