



The Future of Japanese National Security and Defense

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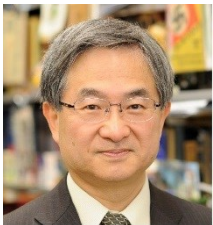
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ABSTRACT

On July 1, 2014, the Japanese cabinet under Prime Minister Shinzo Abe made a decision to reinterpret article 9 of the Constitution of Japan, which renounced war power and prohibited armed forces in Japan. This is a radical departure from the past interpretation which totally denied the right of collective self-defense and it opened windows for Japan to assert the right of collective self-defense under certain circumstances. What is the background for this reinterpretation? Was this reinterpretation really necessary? Was it constitutional? What will be the likely impacts of this reinterpretation? What will be the future of the national security/national defense policy of Japan? How does this reinterpretation affect other Asian nations?

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