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I. International Council on Archives Conference

The International Council on Archives (ICA) was established as a non-governmental organization to contribute to the cooperative development of global archives. To meet this aim and others, every four years ICA holds an international conference. This year a conference was held in Brisbane, Australia from August 20^h to 24th. The 2012 conference theme, "Climate of Change – Sustainability, Trust, Identity," was examined across plenary sessions, a keynote address, and workshops. JACAR Director Kenichiro Hirano gave a presentation titled "Digital Archives for Historical Research and International Understanding."

- * Hirano's presentation abstract will be posted on JACAR's website and published in *Archives No. 48*, a journal of the National Archives of Japan.

II. European Association of Japanese Resource Specialists Conference

The European Association of Japanese Resource Specialists (EAJRS) is comprised of individuals affiliated with Japanese resource related research institutions, archives, and libraries. EAJRS also welcomes companies specializing in the digitization of Japanese resources, a topic which was addressed at the EAJRS annual conference held from the 19th to the 22nd of September in Berlin, Germany. The theme of the assembly, "Bridging the Gap - Past and Present Japanese Resources in the Digital Age," provided an excellent platform to exchange ideas with other attendees about document digitization. JACAR sent their staff to Berlin to operate a booth, facilitate a workshop about JACAR, and to introduce documents.

III. Information on Newly Released Documents

The documents newly released are listed below.

The National Institute for Defense Studies, Ministry of Defense

- The National Institute for Defense Studies, Ministry of Defense> Navy Records (Rid of Kobunbiko)> 0 Law>

Navy Announcement, Administrative Order, Administrative Personnel Affairs, Administrative Equipment, Navy Gazette (the 2nd Demobilization Ministry Gazette), Rules and Regulations of a Naval District, Gazette (Naval District, Naval Guard Station Office, Naval Air Command, Naval Aviation Engineering Department and Naval Aviation Arsenal)

(Above documents were released on the 3rd of August)

Diplomatic Archives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (DAMOFA)

- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 6: Transportation and Communications>Section 7: Water Wrecks, Section 8: Railways, Carriage, Section 9: Aviation, Section 10: Post, Section 11: Telegraph, Section 12: Telephone, Section 13: Miscellaneous
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 7: Labor>Section 1: Labor Policies, Section 2: Laborers, Section 3: Labor Conditions
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 10: Religion, Education, Arts and Sciences>Section 1: Religion, Section 2: Education, Section 3: Arts and Sciences, Section 4: Japanese Students Studying Abroad, Section 5: Foreign Students Studying in Japan, Section 6: Miscellaneous
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 11: Medical Treatment and Sanitation>Section 1: Medical Treatment, Section 2: Pharmacy, Section 3: Hospitals, Red Cross, Section 4: Infectious Disease, Medical Inspection, Prevention of Epidemics, Section 5: Sanitation, Health, Section 6: Miscellaneous
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 12: Land and Buildings>Section 1: Land, Section 2: Settlements and Mixed Residential Quarters, Section 3: Burial with Cemeteries, Section 4: Buildings
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 13: Public Works, Construction>Section 1: Cities, Harbor Facilities, Section 2: Excavate, Dredge, Reclamation, Flood Control, Section 3: Roads, Bridges, Section 4: Water Supply, Sewage, Section 5: Electricity, Gas, Section 6: Construction, Section 7: Miscellaneous
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations>Category 14: Taxation and Fee>Section 1: Tax System and Tax Collection, Section 2: Direct Tax,

- Section 3: Indirect Tax, Section 4: Taxation in China, Section 5: Fee
- DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs>Series 3: Commercial Relations> Category 15: Exhibitions, Competitive Exhibitions, Others> Section 1: Japan, Section 2: Foreign Countries
 - DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs> Series N: Documents and Books> Category 1: Documents> Section 0: Overview
 - DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs> Series N: Documents and Books> Category 1: Documents> Section 1: Sovereign Messages, Autograph Letters, Letters of Attorney, Exequatur, Section 2: Form and Treatment, Direct Communications, Section 3: Letters of Special Envoy, Section 4: Archives, Table of Contents, Index, Section 5: Telegraph, Section 6: Statistics, Official Gazette, Section 7: Publications, Mimeograph, Section 8: Official Stamps, Official Seals, Signatures and Certifications,
 - DAMOFA>Records of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs> Series N: Documents and Books> Category 2: Books, Newspapers, Magazines and Others> Section 1: Writings, Editing, Translation, Section 2: Publication, Issue
- (Above documents were released on the 24th of August)

National Archives of Japan

- National Archives of Japan> Cabinet>Records on Ratification of Conferment of Ranks>Meiji> Meiji 42 (1909), Meiji 43 (1910), Meiji 44 (1911), Meiji 45 = Taisho 1 (1912)
 - National Archives of Japan> Cabinet>Records on Ratification of Conferment of Ranks>Taisho > Taisho 2 (1913), Taisho 3 (1913)
 - National Archives of Japan> Cabinet>Records on Ratification of Conferment of Ranks>Showa > Showa 18 (1943), Showa 19 (1944), Showa 20 (1945)
- (Above documents were released on the 5th of October)

IV. JACAR's Outreach Activities

1. In a commitment to public outreach, JACAR staff members have presented on historical research at numerous institutions and associations listed below. JACAR staff has also asked that the institutions put up JACAR posters and distribute JACAR leaflets
 - July 4, Niigata Museum Association, Steering Meeting (Niigata Prefectural Museum of History)
 - July 5, Hokkaido Museum Society, Annual Conference (Hakodate Kokusai Hotel)
 - July 18, Iwate Prefecture Library Association, Seminar (Iwate Prefectural Library)

- July 18, Fukui Prefectural Library, Seminar (Fukui Prefectural Library)
 - July 19, Tokyo Library Association, General Meeting (Tokyo Metropolitan Library)
 - August 14, Okinawa Library Association, General Meeting (Okinawa Prefectural Library)
 - August 28, Okayama Library Association, Seminar (Okayama Prefectural Library)
 - August 29, Fukui Museum Association, Seminar (Fukui Prefectural Museum of Cultural History)
 - August 30 - 31, Japan Association of Private University Libraries, General Meeting & Annual Conference (Keio University)
 - September 6 – 7, Hokkaido Library Promote Association, Hokkaido Libraries' Annual Conference (Hokkai-Gakuen University)
 - September 7, Japan Association of Public University Libraries, Seminar (Kyoto Heian Hotel)
 - September 10, Nagasaki Prefectural Nagasaki Library, Seminar (Nagasaki University)
 - September 13, Saga Public Library Association, Seminar (Saga City Public Library)
 - September 27, Kanagawa Library Association, Seminar (Kanagawa Prefectural Library)
 - October 5, Ishikawa Public Library Association, Seminar (Ishikawa Prefectural Library)
 - October 5, Nagano Library Association, Seminar (Obuse Library)
2. On August 1 & 2, JACAR set up an exhibition booth in the Annual Conference of Zenkoku Rekishi Kyoiku Kenkyu Kyogikai (Association of Education and Research on History) at Waseda University.
 3. On August 8 & 9, JACAR set up an exhibition booth with the National Archives of Japan at Cabinet Office for Children's Day for visiting Kasumigaseki.

V. Postscript

Thank you for reading JACAR's 8th newsletter. The next newsletter will be sent out in January, 2013. As your feedback is always very helpful, we would deeply appreciate any comments or opinions.

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- There was a misprint in Newsletter No.7 listing JACAR Advisory Committee member as Masato Namiki instead of Masahito Namiki.
 - Please email us if you would be interested in a member of JACAR presenting at your organization about our institution and its resources. We go to schools, research conferences, and a range of other institutions (Email: enquire@jacar.go.jp)
 - New leaflets about JACAR are available in English, Japanese, and Chinese, so if you

would like copies, please contact us.

- This e-mail has been sent to everyone who requested a copy as well as those who have exchanged business cards with JACAR staff members. If you do not wish to receive future e-mails, please let us know.
- JACAR's website: <http://www.jacar.go.jp/>