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Research Report by Researcher from Ukraine

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研究成果の概要 Summary of your research achievements	<p>The factors that influenced the change in Japan's policy to ensure for Peace and Stability for the International Community after the end of the "Cold War" were analyzed. By the mid-1990s, as a result of the escalation of the North Korean nuclear program and the Taiwan Crisis, Japanese foreign policy underwent changes. One of the determining preconditions for changing Japanese approaches to ensuring peace and stability was concerns about the possible filling of the power vacuum of the PRC created as a result of the collapse of the Soviet Union;</p> <p>It is shown that the intensification of Japan's efforts for Peace and Stability for the International Community coincided with the destabilization of the situation in the Asia-Pacific region in the early 1990s and led to fundamental changes in Japanese policy. The main consequence of this was the decision by the Japanese establishment in the mid-1990s to increase the level of its own defense capability and preserve the U.S.-Japan security Alliance as the basis for ensuring Japan's security;</p> <p>It was found that as a result of changes in Japanese legislation, the status and functions of the Self-Defense Forces have changed; legislative</p>

restrictions on the use of Self-Defense Forces outside the country were overcome. This expanded the geographical scope of the Japanese Self-Defense Forces, contributed to an increase in Japan's participation in peacekeeping missions to maintain peace and security, and had a positive impact on Japan's image;

It has been validated that Russia's invasion of Ukraine was a pivotal moment in Japan's security policy and resulted in Japan's participation in sanctions against Russia. Contributed to the commencement of negotiations between Ukraine and Japan regarding security guarantees.

An important aspect of Japan's efforts to ensure Peace and Stability in the world is its efforts to rebuild Ukraine. The National Diet of Japan has been providing assistance in financial, military-technical, humanitarian, and other areas since the beginning of Russia's large-scale invasion of Ukraine, both bilaterally and via international organizations.

Relations between Japan and Ukraine are devoid of any political problems and disagreements and are distinguished by common views and positions on resolving many pressing international issues. Both countries uphold the fundamental principles of the rule of law, democracy and universal values.

Japan and Ukraine have taken their relations to a new level since March 2023. The key document that is defining the main areas of cooperation between Japan and Ukraine is the Joint Statement on a Special Global Partnership signed by the Prime Minister of Japan F. Kishida and President of Ukraine V. Zelensky on March 22, 2023 during the visit of the Head of the Japanese government to Ukraine. In October 2023, Japan and Ukraine started negotiations to provide Ukraine with security guarantees from Japan, which is vital for Ukraine.

The further development of bilateral relations should be based on a solid theoretical foundation of researchers and experts. Therefore, it is necessary to conduct research, which will be aimed at creating a theoretical basis and practical recommendations on the creation of a road map for the development of relations, as well as a proposal for the development of Japanese-Ukrainian relations, with proposals for bilateral economic development and combined investment projects. It is also important to conduct a study aimed at developing proposals for deepening humanitarian cooperation between Japan and Ukraine and developing bilateral cooperation in the field of culture and education.

