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An International Conference on Japan's Contemporary Geopolitical Challenges
In Honor of the Memory and Legacy of Asakawa Kan'ichi
Yale University - March 9-10, 2007

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GENERAL STATEMENT:

After a century and a half as the dominant power in Asia, Japan is once again confronting a tectonic shift in Asia's geopolitical landscape. Nothing looms larger in Japan's foreign policy than China's rising power, but China's power appears to Japan as Janus-faced: China's economic dynamism draws in colossal quantities of Japanese investment and production, locking the two countries in closer economic interdependence than ever before and fueling Japanese economic growth. At the same time, China's economic growth is financing an enormous military build-up. This conference convenes a high-profile group of scholars and practitioners to consider Japan's new geo-political environment, and to assess the domestic political process that presents policy options to the voting public.

Asakawa Kan'ichi, Yale University's first professor of the history of 19th century Japan, was passionate both about world peace and about Japan's national interest, and believed fervently that the two were simultaneously possible. Asakawa labored, as a scholar and as an informal participant in U.S.-Japan bilateral negotiations, to define Japan's place in a peaceful world. The conference is dedicated to his memory and to his intellectual legacy.

ALL PANELS will be held in the Henry R. Luce Hall Auditorium, 34 Hillhouse Avenue.

ELECTRONIC VERSION OF SCHEDULE AVAILABLE AT
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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND PARTICIPANTS

Friday, March 9, 2007

10:00-10:15 a.m.: WELCOMING REMARKS, President Richard Levin

10:15-12:30 p.m.: ASAKAWA KAN'ICHI AND HIS INTELLECTUAL LEGACY

Moderator: Mimi Yiengpruksawan (Chair, Council on East Asian Studies, Yale University)

Susumu Yabuki (Yokohama City University), "K. Asakawa's View on History: Science Prefers the White Light of Truth"

Discussant: **Yukimi Masui** (American Studies, Keiai University)

Naoyuki Agawa (Keio University), "Asakawa Kan'ichi's American Journey: Its Time and Place in the History of the U.S.-Japan Relations"

Discussant: **Kazuaki Shimotomai** (Matsushita Institute)

11:30-11:45 a.m.: Coffee Break

Koichi Hamada (Economics, Yale University) and **Ryo Kambayashi** (Hitotsubashi University), "Asakawa Kan'ichi as an Economic Historian, or a Historian of the Medieval Japan"

Discussant: **Conrad Totman** (History Professor Emeritus, Yale University)

12:30-2:30 p.m.: Luncheon, Speech by Representative **Koichiro Genba**, Japanese House of Representatives

2:30-5:15 p.m.: JAPAN'S NATIONAL SECURITY IN REGIONAL AND GLOBAL CONTEXTS

Papers to grapple with the regional and global challenges to Japan's security:

Moderator: Gustav Ranis (Economics, Yale University)

Kent Calder (Political Science, Johns Hopkins University), "Japan's and China's Strategic Competition for Energy Resources"

Discussant: **Hugh Patrick** (Economics, Columbia University)

Megumi Naoi (Political Science, University of California, San Diego.), "Shopping for Protection: The Politics of Choosing Trade Instruments in a Partially Legalized World"

Discussant: **Michael Thies** (Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles)

4:15-4:30 p.m Coffee Break

Leonard Schoppa (Politics, University of Virginia), "Gaitsu, Learning, and Japan's Emerging Economic Liberalism"

Discussant: **Meg McKean** (Political Science, Duke University)

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Saturday, March 10

9:00-1:00p.m.: JAPAN IN THE WORLD ECONOMY

Papers that deal with Japan's emerging role in the WTO, IMF, World Bank, UN: patterns, comparisons, affects on the world economy:

Moderator: Frances Rosenbluth (Political Science, Yale University)

David Gerstenhaber (Argonaut Capital), "The Geography of Investment: How Japanese Investment in China Shapes Japan's Economy"

David Weinstein (Economics, Columbia University), "Are Japanese Prices Set in China? Inflation, Deflation, and the Measurement of Japanese Prices"

Discussant: **Shiro Yabushita** (Economics, Waseda University)

Gregory Noble (Social Science, University of Tokyo), "Japan's Business Community in Sino-Japanese Relations"

Discussant: **Frances Rosenbluth** (Political Science, Yale University)

Coffee break: 10:45-11:00

Phillip Lipsy (Government, Harvard University), "Japan's Role in International Economic Institutions: Why Does Japan Have a Greater Voice in the World Bank than the IMF?"

Discussant: **Junko Kato** (Law and Politics, University of Tokyo)

Jennifer Holt Dwyer (Political Science, Hunter College)

Discussant: **Masaru Kohno** (Political Science, Waseda University)

1:00-2:15 p.m.: Lunch

2:15-4:00 p.m.: THE DOMESTIC POLITICS OF JAPAN'S GLOBAL STRATEGY

Moderator: Masaru Kohno (Political Science, Waseda University)

Margarita Estévez-Abe (Government, Harvard University) and **Takako Hikotani** (Japan Defense Academy), "Japan's New Extrovert Leaders: How Rule Changes Affect Leaders' Incentives and Capabilities"

Discussant: **Michael Thies** (Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles)

Toshio Nagahisa (PHP Research Institute, Tokyo), "Reasons that Activated Japan in Security Commitments: Shocks, Sentiments, Institutions, and Prime Minister"

Discussant: **Yoshitaka Nishizawa** (Political Science, Doshisha University)

Frances Rosenbluth (Political Science, Yale University), **Jun Saito** (Government, Wesleyan University), and **Annalisa Zinn** (Yale University), "Japan's New Nationalism: The International and Domestic Politics of an Assertive Foreign Policy"

Discussant: **Satoshi Machidori** (Political Science, University of Kyoto)

4:00-4:15 p.m.: Coffee Break

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4:15-5:45 p.m.: WRAP-UP PANEL: JAPAN'S STRATEGIC CHOICES

Moderator: Koichi Hamada (Economics, Yale University)

Paul Kennedy (History, Yale University), **Gustav Ranis** (Economics, Yale University), **Richard Samuels** (Political Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology), **Yoichi Suzuki** (Consul General of Japan in Boston),

5:45 p.m.: Closing Reception and Dinner