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## All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/07/19 19:45

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Here I will put the main facts about Japan.

Today :

TO CHANGE OR NOT TO CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION ?

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/6283952.stm>

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/07/19 19:53

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Here is he short chronology of Japan history since its attack on China in 1894 to 2007.

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/country\\_profiles/1261918.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/country_profiles/1261918.stm)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/07/27 12:15

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JAPAN REAFIRMS STATEGIC PRIORITY

On June 13, the Japanese government approved the latest edition of its annual defense white paper, "Defense of Japan 2007." The report identifies North Korea and China as Tokyo's primary strategic concerns while reaffirming Japan's alliance with the United States, commitment to international peacekeeping, and intent to keep defense spending slightly below 1 percent of its gross domestic product (some \$39 billion).

<http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/article.aspx?id=944>

[http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com\\_fireboard/uploaded/images/Bateaux\\_de\\_guerre.jpg](http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com_fireboard/uploaded/images/Bateaux_de_guerre.jpg)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/07/29 19:01

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29 July 2007

For the first time since 1955, the PLD loses control of the Upper House.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/6920842.stm>

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/07/29 19:37

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29 july 2007

WHO IS PRIME MINISTER SHINZO ABE ?

Here is his profile

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/4392480.stm>

[http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com\\_fireboard/uploaded/images/Shinzo\\_Abe\\_2007.jpg](http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com_fireboard/uploaded/images/Shinzo_Abe_2007.jpg)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/04 22:41

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JAPAN'S LATE EMPEROR WAS AGAINST HONOURING WARS CRIMINALS AT YASUKUNI WAR MEMORIAL

[http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/J/JAPAN\\_EMPEROR\\_WAR\\_SHRINE?SITE=ASIAONE&SECTION=ASIA&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2007-08-04-06-37-56](http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/J/JAPAN_EMPEROR_WAR_SHRINE?SITE=ASIAONE&SECTION=ASIA&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT&CTIME=2007-08-04-06-37-56)

[http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com\\_fireboard/uploaded/images/Hirohito\\_1986.jpg](http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com_fireboard/uploaded/images/Hirohito_1986.jpg)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/09 23:16

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9 August 2007

After decades of near paralysis, Japan's stultified political system starts to get interesting.

[http://www.asiasentinel.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=623&Itemid=31](http://www.asiasentinel.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=623&Itemid=31)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/10 23:01

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11 August 2007

Taking advantage of the sixty-second anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Tobias Harris of Observing Japan, writes about JAPAN NUCLEAR DILEMMA : it cannot approve the atomic bombings but Japan has no choice but to depend on US nuclear deterrent power for its security.

<http://observingjapan.blogspot.com/2007/08/another-august-6-dilemma-remains.html>

[http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com\\_fireboard/uploaded/images/1945\\_08\\_06\\_Hiroshima.jpg](http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com_fireboard/uploaded/images/1945_08_06_Hiroshima.jpg)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/18 18:47

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18 August 2007

Since 1945, in the USA and Japan, there is a big debate about

WHAT DROVE JAPAN'S DECISION TO SURRENDER ?

For someones it is the dropping of atomic bombs, for the others it is the threat of a Soviet invasion.

For Tsuyoshi Hasegawa, it is definitively Soviet invasion.

The paper is also very interesting on the behaviour of the emperor Hirohito in these crucial days.

<http://japanfocus.org/products/details/2501>

[http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com\\_fireboard/uploaded/images/1945\\_08\\_13\\_Nagasaki\\_bomb.jpg](http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com_fireboard/uploaded/images/1945_08_13_Nagasaki_bomb.jpg)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/09/25 16:06

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## A NEW OLD PRIME MINISTER FOR JAPAN

After the youngest Prime Minister in Japan history, Shinzo Abe, who has been in charge for less of one year, his successor, Yasuo Fukuda, elected on 25 September 2007, is the oldest since early 1990s.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml;jsessionid=BIKPRVOWZXQBQVQFIQMFSFGGAVCBQ0IV0?xml=/news/2007/09/25/wjapan125.xml>

Here is his profile

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/7006285.stm>

Shinzo Abe failure is not only due to scandals, but also because his personal style. See the below caricature

[http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com\\_fireboard/uploaded/images/Shinzo\\_Abe\\_caricature.jpg](http://www.asiaobserver.com/components/com_fireboard/uploaded/images/Shinzo_Abe_caricature.jpg)

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Jacques - 2007/10/25 21:02

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25 October 2007

HOW MANY FOREIGNERS IN JAPAN ?

<http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,25197,22642797-25837,00.html>

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## Re:All about Japan

Posted by Nicole - 2008/03/29 16:25

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On the Japanese women condition

A new book explain the today Japanese condition

<http://www.iht.com/articles/2008/03/28/asia/profile.php>

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