

**Panel:** China and Japan (Lilac & Tulip Room)

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, December 11, 2012 / 12:45-14:00

**Talking Points for:** Kazuhiko Togo, Director, Institute for World Affairs, Kyoto Sangyo University

1. 2012 incidents: immediate outcome: China seems to have gained things it wanted and Japan seems to have made a gigantic diplomatic failure unprecedented in many decades.
2. There is a real danger that the failed Japan would elect a new government which would resort to actions that only exacerbate the situation. See the Liberal Democratic Party Platform No. 132.
3. Are both China and Japan not losing a historic opportunity to create both a new civilization, both bearing its rich historical culture and experience, and both envisaging a transparent and accountable power to be accepted and respected in the age of globalization?
4. What should be done as immediate measures to prevent the situation to worsen? Both sides should engage in a dialogue without pre-conditions; Japan should voluntarily take measures of not landing, not researching and not constructing; China should voluntarily refrain from sending official ships into the territorial waters.

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