

What can Japan do  
in African security?

Possibilities of international  
cooperation

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# Japan has political will, potential and capacity to cooperate with France in Africa

- Why should Japan commit to the security in Africa?
- In what field can/should France and Japan cooperate?
- What are the challenges and constraints for Japan?





## G7 and TICAD7



Security in Africa as common agenda at both conferences

- Libya
- Sahel Partnership Action Plan
- Strengthening peace and stability (TICAD)

# The Three Pillars of TICAD7

## ③ Strengthening peace and stability

- Rule of Law
- Good Governance
- Refugee / IDPs



# The characteristics of Japanese security policy in Africa

- Objectives
  - Securing necessary condition for Japanese trade in Africa
  - Multilateral cooperation in African issues
  - Sharing the responsibility to keep international stability
- Principles
  - Needs-based approach; ownership, nation building
  - “Grass-roots approach”; human security (not military)
  - All Japan/Comprehensive Approach
    - Nexus of Peace, Development and Humanitarian concerns
- Tools
  - Financial contribution; \$ 100 million for 15 countries (2008-19)
  - UN Peacekeeping (capacity building)
  - Anti-Pirates in the gulf of Aden
  - Human security through ODA

# Targets

- Djibouti  
1.4 million \$ for supporting coast guard security (2018)  
JSDF base since 2011
- South Sudan  
Dispatch JSDF Engineer Unit (2012-17, 4000 personnel)
- Sahel  
Human resource development/Education/PKO capacity building /23 million USD for refugee and IDPs
- PKO training center
- AU
- RECs

# The UN Project for African Rapid Deployment of Engineering Capabilities(RDEC)

- Under the UN Project for Rapid Deployment of Enabling Capabilities (UN DFS)
  - = Part of the UN Triangular Partnership Project
- Ghana, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Uganda
- Since 2015
- Approx. 40 million US dollars to the UN for the training and procurement of heavy equipment
- 149 JSDF and officers as instructors to 8 African countries have been dispatched



# United Nations Triangular Partnership Project(TPP) —Rapid Deployment of Enabling Capabilities(RDEC) • Africa—

As of Aug 2019  
MoFA JAPAN  
MoD JAPAN

## Background

- Serious shortage of engineering equipment and its operators was revealed in recent UN Peacekeeping missions. This is a major obstacle in carrying out humanitarian activities and in force protection.
- Prime Minister Abe committed to support rapid deployment at the PKO summit in 2014.  
(rapid deployment : Capabilities to launch UN peacekeeping missions immediately with well equipped and trained troops)
- The Government of Japan(GoJ) has contributed approx.US\$40million to this project in the framework of **UN Triangular Partnership Project (TPP)**.  
(TPP: capacity building of TCC personnel supported through cooperation among the UN Secretariat, TCCs, and third countries with specialized expertise.)



## Contents of Project

### Conduct training to African TCCs

Conduct training to African Troop Contributing Countries(TCCs), which have pledged their intention to deploy engineering unit, at IPSTC, Kenya.

### Provide heavy machinery to the UN

Provide heavy engineering equipment (HEE), such as excavator and grader for conducting training

- **[JAPAN] 2015 – 2019** : 149 JSDF instructors and government officials have been dispatched to the trial training and 7 heavy engineering equipment operation training courses. 246 personnel from 8 African countries were trained.  
2019:23 JSDF instructors and government officials are dispatched to the mobile training course to train 30 personnel from Uganda.
- **[SWISS] 2016 – 2018** : Swiss conducted Training of Trainers (ToT) Course on HEE operation to 41 trainees from 10 African countries.
- **[SWISS and ToT graduates]2018**: Swiss instructor and 4 ToT graduates provided HEE operation course to 20 trainees from 2 African countries.
- **[BRAZIL] 2017 – 2018** : Brazil delivered Engineering Project Management (EPM) Course to 42 trainees from 10 African countries.  
2019: Brazil received 4 trainees from 4 African countries in Engineering equipment maintenance course in Brazil.

### Location of Training



Humanitarian Peace Support School(HPSS),  
International Peace Support Training Center(IPSTC)  
(Nairobi,Kenya)

Uganda Rapid Deployment Capability Centre (URDCC)  
(Jinja, Uganda)

### Scenes from the Training



Road roller operations

Visit by USG Mr. Khare, United Nations Department of Operational Support



# “The Free and Open Indo-Pacific vision ”

- TICAD6 (August 2016@Nairobi)
- International public goods through;
  - Rule of law
  - Economic prosperity
  - Commitment to peace and stability through capacity building
- Is African continent really included?
- Focusing on the coast guard, maritime crime, pirates
- An important sea lane (Comores, Seychelles)

# The conditions to advance the Franco-Japanese security cooperation

- “Sharing the same principles”(Niquet:2019)
- Mentality: “Twofold national isolations”  
(Prof. Kitaoka, Prof. Shirato)
  - Article 9 of the Constitution
  - Little experience on terrorism etc.
- Capacity building inside Japan
- UN peacekeeping as multilateral cooperation
- True 3D approach

# Tools for cooperation in Africa

## Bilateral

Capacity building (Security sector, Maritime etc.)

Norm/standard setting

Counter terrorism through technological assistance

## Through UN

80% of the Peacekeeping missions are for Africa

50% of the SC Resolutions are about Africa

Japanese public opinion is favorable

## Through EU

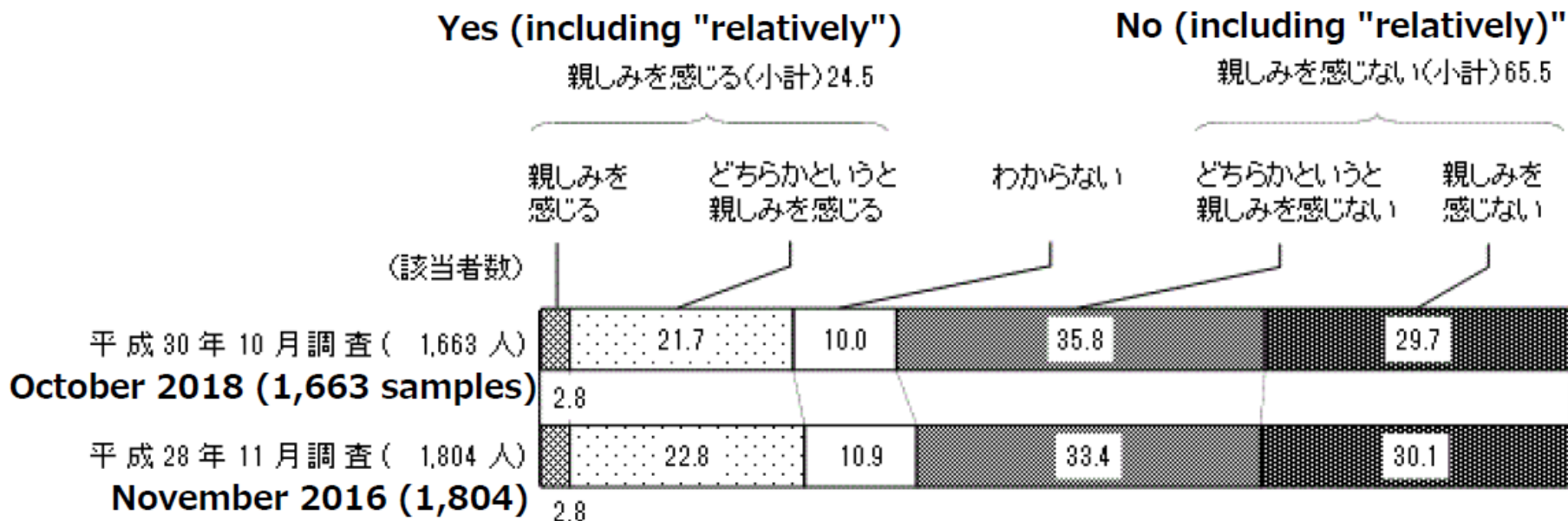
Japan-EU Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA)

## Through AU and RECs

# “Familiarity” with Africa

図17 アフリカ諸国に対する親近感

Do you feel familiarity with African countries (South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria etc.)?

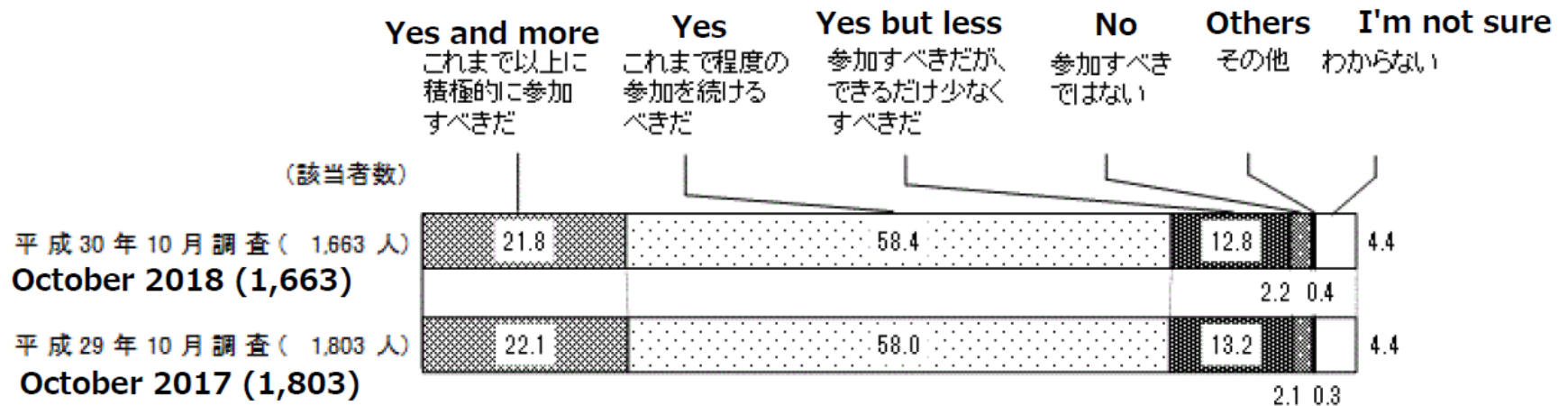


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# The participation in UN peacekeeping

図22 国連平和維持活動への参加についての考え方

Do you think Japanese Government should continue participating in UN Peacekeeping?



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