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Insights

Snippets

Economy/Trade

- Offshore renewable-powered floating data center pilot
- Antitrust inspection targets Microsoft Japan subsidiary
- Bilateral trade stabilization via firm categorization with China
- Tokyo seeks equitable US tariff treatment
- Dependent income cap threshold eased April



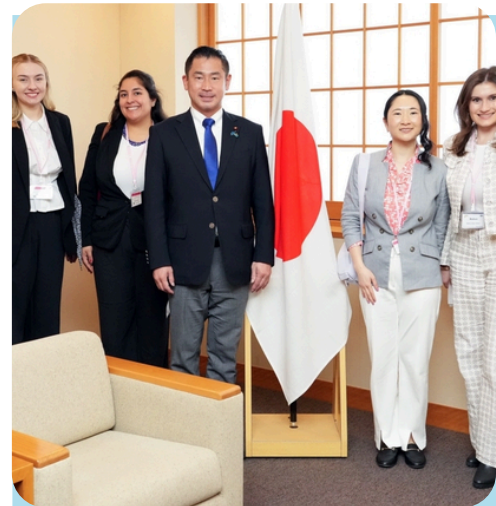
Defence

- **Defense outreach to Pacific island nations**
- **European defense industry partnership pursuit**
- **Multinational military exercises across Indo-Pacific**
- **Yonaguni missile deployment timeline disclosed**
- **Prolonged Senkaku maritime security operations**



Foreign Politics

- Takeshima ceremony calibrated for Seoul ties
- Japan-Pacific diplomacy intensified at JPIDD
- Coordinated stance on China's nuclear expansion
- Russia-Japan territorial dialogue remains stalled
- US tariff hike complicates bilateral trade



Politics

- Diet debate on proactive fiscal expansion
- Gift controversy pressures ruling party leadership
- Court upholds Ikata plant operations
- Prime Minister rejects nuclear armament proposal
- Agenda outlines sweeping domestic policy shifts



POLITICS

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1.	24/02/26	<u>Japan's Diet Begins Debate on Takaichi's Budget Plans, 'Proactive Fiscal Policy' -The Japan News</u>	Japannews Yomiuri
2.	25/02/26	<u>Japan PM draws criticisms for gifts to LDP lawmakers, denies illegality.</u>	Kyodonews
3.	26/02/26	<u>Yamaguchi District Court Iwakuni Branch rejects suspension of operation of Ikata nuclear power plant - Nihon Keizai Shimbu</u>	Nikkei
4.	24/02/26	<u>Prime Minister Takaichi says he has no proposal for nuclear possession: Jiji.com</u>	Jiji
5.	21/02/26	<u>PM Takaichi Spells out Plans to Advance Bold Policy Shifts in Speech at Diet - The Japan News</u>	Japannews Yomiuri

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3.	24/2/26	<u>Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney set for Japan visit - The Japan Times</u>	JapanTimes
4.	24/2/26	<u>Japan pushes back decision on joining Trump's Board of Peace - The Japan Times</u>	JapanTimes
5.	25/2/26	<u>Japanese government demands release of one Japanese national detained in Iran in January: Jiji.com</u>	Jiji
6.	24/2/26	<u>Japanese and German leaders hold telephone talk to discuss understanding of China: Jiji.com</u>	Jiji
7.	22/2/26	<u>U.S. and Japan discuss China's 'destabilizing' nuclear buildup and testing - The Japan Times</u>	JapanTimes
8.	21/2/26	<u>Russia says no peace dialogue ongoing with Japan over territorial dispute - The Japan Times</u>	JapanTimes
9.	22/2/26	<u>Trump boosts new tariff rate to 15% a day after announcing 10% - The Japan Times</u>	JapanTimes
10.	22/2/26	<u>South Korea protests on "Takeshima Day", relieved that response is similar to previous years: Jiji.com</u>	Jiji
11.	22/2/26	<u>Working-level talks between Japanese and U.S. foreign affairs and defense authorities; Japanese side emphasizes the importance of Russia and China's participation in future arms control discussions NHK News Nuclear/missile, nuclear weapons-related, United States</u>	Nikkei

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3.	25/2/26	<u>Annual anti-terrorism drill in India GSDF: Jiji.com</u> <u>Large-scale joint military exercise in Thailand, 30 countries including Japan and the US participate: Jiji.com</u>	Jiji
4.	24/2/26	<u>Yonaguni Island missile deployment in 2030: Defense Minister Koizumi reveals plan: Jiji.com</u>	Jiji
5.	21/2/26	<u>Japan Coast Guard Hosts SE Asian Officials on Training Flight, Sharing Skills for Tracking Suspicious Vessels - The Japan News</u>	Japannews Yomiuri
6.	22/2/26	<u>Another Chinese ship appears around the Senkaku Islands for 100 consecutive days; Japanese patrol boats equipped with machine guns continue to warn -Sankei News</u>	Sankei

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5.	25/2/26	<u>Asahi Beer System failure due to cyber attack Most shipments expected to resume in April Sales to recover with new products NHK News Business/Management, Cyber IIAttack</u>	Nhk
6.	23/2/26	<u>Japan’s Major Real Estate Firms Expanding Overseas Businesses to Secure Future Growth, Focusing on Europe, U.S., Asia - The Japan News</u>	Japannews Yomiuri
7.	23/2/26	<u>Annual income wall of 1.3 million yen Requirements for dependents to be eased from April Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare NHK News Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, work/work style, tax reform</u>	Nhk

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