Japan and the TPP

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Three mismanagements in politics

1 TPP issue was politicized unnecessarily.

2 Dispute was not settled yet.

3 The only specific aspect of TPP was discussed in an exaggerated manner.

Economic impact on the Japanese economy

1 TPP will change "a dual economy" of Japan.

2 The importance of external demand will increase under declining trend of population.

TPP's impact on global economy

1 TPP will stimulate "a creative tension" towards free trade.

2 Japan should be a catalyst for freer trade in the Pacific.