Peace Studies Association of Japan

(PSAJ)

PSAJ had only 72 members when it was founded in 1973. Now with 836 registered individual members and 10 corporate members, it is one of the largest national peace research organizations in the world. PSAJ tries to maintain good relations with peace researchers and organizations around the world. We wish to extend our warm greetings to all peace researchers in the world and invite you to participate in our endeavors. If you happen to come to Japan, it may be possible to arrange a meeting with Japanese peace researchers during your visit. Please advise the Overseas Liaison Committee or PSAJ secretariat as far in advance as possible.

Activities:

- 1) study meetings & lectures
- a) two major conferences every year
- b) smaller ad hoc meetings
- 2) publications
- a) Peace Studies (annals of PSAJ, in Japanese)
- b) PSAJ Newsletter (in Japanese)
- c) Peace Studies Newsletter (in English)
- d) books and other publications

3) the coordination of national and foreign academic associations and other related institutions,

as well as the promotion of intellectual exchange among researchers

4) research activities based on study commissions of PSAJ

5) various activities which are considered to be necessary and appropriate achieving the purposes of this Association

Membership:

Any national can apply for the PSAJ membership. If you are interested in becoming a member or wish to know more about PSAJ activities, please contact the secretariat.

Main Activities in 1999:

The Spring Session was held on 5-6 June 1999 at Rakuno Gakuen University, Ebetsu City, with the main theme of 'Globalization and Regional Peace." The Fall Session was held on 13-14 November 1999 at Rissho University, Tokyo, with the main theme of "Democratization and Peace."

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