

○Act on the Civil Jurisdiction of Japan with respect to a Foreign State, etc. (Act No. 24 of April 24, 2009) (extraction)

(Purpose)

Article 1 This Act establishes the scope of the civil jurisdiction (meaning the jurisdiction other than the one pertaining to criminal matters; the same shall apply in Article 4) of Japan with respect to a foreign state, etc. jurisdiction and the special provisions of civil court proceedings pertaining to a Foreign State, etc.

(Definitions)

Article 2 In this Act, a "Foreign State, etc." shall mean the entities listed in the following items (hereinafter referred to as a "State, etc."), excluding Japan and any entity which pertains to Japan:

- (i) A State and the governmental institutions thereof;
- (ii) A state within a federal states and any other administrative divisions of a State equivalent thereto having the authority to exercise sovereign power;
- (iii) In addition to what is listed in the preceding two items, entities that are granted the authority to exercise sovereign power (limited to cases in which said power is exercised.);
- (iv) A representative of an entity listed in the previous three items acting based on its qualifications.

(Property Used for a Specific Purpose)

Article 18 (1) A Foreign State, etc. shall not be immune from jurisdiction with respect to proceedings of a civil execution procedures against the property held by said Foreign State, etc. that is in use or intended for use by said Foreign State, etc. exclusively for other than government non-commercial purposes.

(2) The property a Foreign State, etc. holds listed below shall not be included in the property of the preceding paragraph:

- (i) • (ii) (abbreviation)
- (iii) Property listed below that is not being sold and is not intended to be sold:
 - (a) Cultural heritage pertaining to said Foreign State, etc.;
 - (b) (abbreviation)
 - (c) Exhibits that have scientific, cultural, or historical significance.

(3) (abbreviation)