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HOW DO JAPANESE IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES EXERCISE "ADMINISTRATIVE DISCRETION" OVER UNDOCUMENTED FOREIGNERS? THE REALITY OF DETENTION FACILITIES

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In this talk, we will go back to the birth of Japanese immigration authorities after the Second World War historically and verify what happened and happens in detention facilities. We shall notice that the spirit of immigration authorities is unchanged over 70 years. Japanese immigration administration is characterized by its huge executive discretion, which allows them to detain undocumented foreign nationals indefinitely and without judicial review.