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features common to two or more nations****On correcting the inscription of “Sea of Japan”****Submitted by the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea******Summary*****

As a reason for opposing the replacement for the inscription of “Sea of Japan”, Japan holds that the inscription of “Sea of Japan” in maps is prevalent throughout the world; hence, if it is replaced by the other name, this would lead to confusion.

The present paper clarifies the injustice, with details of occurrence and devolution, arising from the inscription of the name “Sea of Japan” in the maps published in Japan.

In particular, the paper emphasizes that the name “Sea of Japan” was inscribed by force in place of “East Sea of Korea” during Japan’s colonial rule of the former Korea.

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