"Law on Promoting the Resolution of Individual Labor Disputes"

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1 Background for the Enactment of the Law

(1) Quantitative and Qualitative Increase in Individual Labor Disputes

(2) Dispute Resolution Systems of Several Foreign Countries

France

- Employment Tribunal

Germany

- Labor Court

Great Britain

- Employment Tribunal
- ACAS (Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service)

United States

(3) Need for Improvement in the Dispute Resolution System

2 Outline of the Law

- (1) Range of Eligible Disputes
- (2) Independent Resolution of Disputes
- (3) Supply of Information, Consultation, etc. by the Chief of the Prefectural Labor Bureau
- (4) Counsel and Guidance by the Chief of the Prefectural Labor Bureau
- (5) Mediation by a Dispute Adjustment Committee

3 In Conclusion