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For long years, Japan has been one of most problematic countries for the use of business aviation. Japan still has some of world's most restrictive laws for business aviation and also airports in Tokyo metropolitan area is very restricted for business jets.

However, recently, business aviation in Japan seems to start its change.

1. In 2007, dramatic increase of business jets operations was recognized in Japan.

63 Japan registered business aviation aircrafts had 9403 landings in 2007 – up 25% from 2006 and 629 foreign-registered aircrafts landed 2284 times in 2007—45% growth in aircrafts and 80% growth in landings. Numbers are still small, but growth % is large.

2. Early this year, Japanese government (Civil Aviation Bureau) made a series of survey to promote business aviation in Japan . This is first case and shows the change of government position to the business aviation.

Its report was released in May and includes the recommendations and improvement programs for followings.

- Explore safety regulations that suit business aviation.
- Explore regulations for fractional ownership.
- Provide airports other than Haneda and Narita in Tokyo area for the business aviation.
- Provide facilities such as passenger terminal, maintenance facility appropriate to business aviation.
- Enhanced and effective security inspection appropriate to business aviation passengers
- Make it simple to request landing slot, parking spot and other operational permission
- Shorten 7days prior permission at Haneda Airport
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3. Nikkei ,a major Japanese media, hold a business aviation forum to discuss business aviation issues in Japan in Sep . This is an epoch making event and JBAA co-organized this forum.

4. Japanese government starts to review a relaxation of their safety rules for business

aviation.

ETOPS rule for business jets was changed to increase its limitation from 60minutes to 180minutes in July.

5. Haneda airport new runway ,4th runway, will open in 2010. Number of slots is expected to rise by 100000.

Under this situation, we are strongly requesting the authority to increase slots for business aviation in Tokyo metropolitan area airports and improve facilities in those airports.