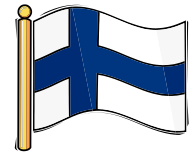


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### Press Release

#### **State Minister of Internal Affairs & Communications of Japan to visit Finland**

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From 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October, Japanese State Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications, Mr. Shimpei MATSUSHITA (MP, House of Councillors, Liberal Democratic Party) will visit Finland to participate in the 3<sup>rd</sup> OECD Public Governance Ministerial Meeting in Helsinki.

During his stay in Finland, State Minister Shimpei Matsushita will also have official meetings with Minister of Local Government and Public Reforms Anu Vehviläinen and Minister of Transport and Communications Anne Berner. State Minister Matsushita will also capitalize on his stay in Finland to visit Finnish ICT and security companies, including F-Secure and Nokia.

The Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications of Japan is responsible for the management and administration of the basic administration system of the country, the administration of local autonomy (regional decentralization reforms and regional vitalization), fire and emergency services, and the realization of growth strategies through application of information and communications technologies (ICT).

For further information regarding State Minister Shimpei Matsushita's visit to Finland, please contact Yukiko Nakahari, Head of Public Relations & Cultural Affairs, Embassy of Japan (090-686 0200 / culture@hk.mofa.go.jp).

For further information on the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications of Japan, please visit:

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For further information about the OECD Public Governance Ministerial Meeting, please visit:

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