

Justice Minister Kamikawa welcomes high-level European officials on April 27, 2018.

On Friday, April 27, 2018, Justice Minister Kamikawa received a courtesy visit from H.E. Mr. Borislav Kostov, the Ambassador of the Republic of Bulgaria to Japan, H.E. Mr. Laurent Pic, the Ambassador of the French Republic to Japan, and Mr. Lorenzo Morini, the Minister Counsellor of the Embassy of Italy. An overview of the visit is as follows.

Minister Kamikawa welcomed Ambassador Kostov, Ambassador Pic and Mr. Morini. Ambassador Kostov visited the Ministry of Justice as the President of the Ambassadors of the EU Member States to Japan, delivering a letter jointly signed by the Ambassadors of the EU Member States to Japan to Minister Kamikawa. The letter addresses the issue of parental visitation of divorced parents and their children, as well as the return of children to their custodial parents, and requests further dialogue between the relevant authorities.



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Minister Kamikawa pointed out that, as the effect on the children's upbringing and development should be given due consideration, countries like Japan and the EU Member States are faced with difficulties in the implementation of their own legal frameworks. She expressed her willingness to continue to exchange information, as appropriate, and to enhance mutual understanding on this matter. Her comments were included in her reply letter, which was handed to Ambassador Kostov.



Justice Minister Kamikawa exchanges views with H.E. Mr. Kostov, H.E. Mr. Pic and Mr. Morini

【Letter addressed to Minister Kamikawa from the Ambassadors of the EU Member States to Japan (PDF file)→ [📎](#)】

【Reply letter from Minister Kamikawa (PDF file)→ [📎](#)】