The Current Status and Issues of Laws and Regulations on Parliamentary Archives in Every Country of the World
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1 ABSTRACT

The significance of parliamentary archives has not been clarified, but they are the background of my research. My objectives are to clarify the current status of parliamentary archives from every country through a study of laws and regulations, and to present proposals for future research. In my methodology, I first conducted a detailed analysis of articles from substantive and procedural law. The only parliamentary archives at national levels will be considered for my research. My findings are as follows: Parliamentary archives and non-active document management style may be divided into 2 broad types based on management styles. In terms of legal framework, very few countries subscribe to the "law" level. Most use "regulations" and "rules". Different countries apply different laws, and few parliamentary archives have both substantive and procedural law perspectives. In view of the above, I would raise an issue of analysis in regards to ICA guidelines for parliamentary archives and research relationships between political systems and existence of parliamentary archives.

3 FINDINGS

3-1 STATUS OF ESTABLISHMENT

- Germany
  - Parliamentary Archives of the Deutscher Bundestag
- New Zealand
  - Archives New Zealand
- Estonia
  - Archives of the Riigikogu

Types of non-active document management style

- Centralized management: Germany, New Zealand
- Decentralized management: Estonia

3-2 LEGAL FRAMEWORK

-法定レベル: 法律
-規則レベル: 規則

3-3 CONTENT OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- Purpose and mission of parliamentary archives
- Legal grounds of existence
- Provisions for document appraisal
- Provisions for public access to documents

4 CONCLUSIONS

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- Status of establishment
- Legal framework
- Content of laws and regulations

4-2 FUTURE ISSUES

- Analyze contents of "General Guidelines for Regulations on Parliamentary Archives" by the International Council on Archives
- Research relationships between political systems and existence of parliamentary archives

5 REFERENCE

- Inter-Parliamentary Union, “Web Sites of National Parliaments” http://www.ipu.org/
- European Centre for Parliamentary Research and Documentation, “Parliamentary library, research and archive services of Europe” http://www.europarl.europa.eu/

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