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The latest Volume of the Japanese Yearbook of International Law (Vol. 62, 2019) has been released. The Volume dedicates one section to the introduction of the new legislation on international jurisdiction of Japanese courts in family matters. (For an introduction of the new rules relating to international jurisdiction in matter of divorce, see Yasuhiro Okuda, "New Rules of International Jurisdiction over Divorce in Japanese Courts", *Yearbook of Private International Law*, Vol. 20 (2018/2019), pp. 61-72).

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