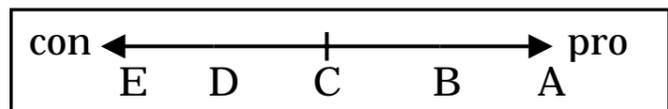


KEIDANREN SECOND POLICY ASSESSMENT IN 2004

(Executive Summary)

September 22, 2004

* Compared with Keidanren's 10 priority policies, political parties' policies are:



	The Liberal Democratic Party			The Democratic Party of Japan		
	<i>consistency</i>	<i>actions</i>	<i>results</i>	<i>consistency</i>	<i>actions</i>	<i>results</i>
1. Tax reform to revive Japan's economy and competitiveness	B	B	B	C	C	-
2. Social security reform to remove anxieties of the Japanese people	B	C	D	C	C	-
3. Regulatory and administrative reforms to make full use of private-sector initiatives	B	B	B	B	C	-
4. Investments and systematic reforms to upgrade Japan's capabilities in science & technology	A	A	B	C	B	-
5. Establishment of energy strategies and promotion of environmental policies with emphasis on companies' initiatives	A	B	B	D	D	-
6. Education policies to boost individual potentials	B	C	C	B	C	-
7. Establishment of an effective labor market where individuals can fulfill their potentials	B	B	C	D	D	-
8. Improvements of urban and residential environments to support individuals and companies	B	B	B	B	B	-
9. Promotion of regional initiatives and revitalization	B	C	C	B	C	-
10. Promotion of international economic policies appropriate to the times of intense global competition	B	B	B	B	C	-

(Note) consistency : degree of consistency between Keidanren's 10 priority policies and political parties' campaign promises at the 2003 general election

actions : political parties' actions to achieve their policy goals from October 2003 to September 2004

results : degree of achievement of Keidanren's 10 priority policies (the DPJ has no results to be estimated)