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The East-West Center in Washington invites you to an Asia Pacific Security Seminar:

## **Futenma Relocation: The View from Henoko**

Featuring:

**Susumu Inamine**

Mayor, Nago City, Okinawa, Japan

As the United States reaffirms its defense commitments to Asia and a “pivot” of American policy toward the Asia-Pacific, the matter of base relocation in Okinawa continues to be a contentious issue between Naha, Tokyo, and Washington. Under the 2006 base realignment roadmap agreed between the US and Japanese governments, the Marine Corp Air Station Futenma was to be relocated from its densely populated location near Okinawa’s capital to the more remote Nago City to the north. The local political situation in Nago has shifted against the relocation of the base to the city’s Henoko ward. Futenma remains in place while Japanese officials attempt to find an amicable solution that satisfies both the need for local buy-in and Japan’s security commitments within the US-Japan alliance. Nago City Mayor, Susumu Inamine, will discuss the relocation of MCAS Futenma from the local perspective.

**Tuesday, February 7**

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

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**Susumu Inamine** was elected Mayor of Nago City, Okinawa in February 2010 after serving as a city official for 36 years. He graduated from the Faculty of Law, University of the Ryukyus, in 1971, and began working in the Welfare Division of the Nago City Office the following year. Throughout his career as a civil servant, Mr. Inamine worked in numerous departments and capacities, including serving as the Director of Planning and Coordination, the Manager of the General Affairs Department, and the chairman of the Nago City Board of Education. He resigned from his position on the school board in 2008 to run as an independent candidate for mayor, on the platform of opposition to the proposed relocation of the Futenma air base to Nago City’s Henoko district.