

Appendix 1: list of sources consulted to conduct the discourse analysis

Sources relating to China	Dates
Diplomatic Bluebook	2014
Diplomatic Bluebook	2015
Diplomatic Bluebook	2017
Diplomatic Bluebook	2019
Diplomatic Bluebook	2020
White Paper	2014
White Paper	2015
White Paper	2017
White Paper	2019
White Paper	2020
MOFA document on the Senkaku Islands	march-13
FM Kishida statement at Japan China FMM	08-11-14
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM	10-11-14
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM	23-04-15
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM	15-07-16
Protest by Kishida at the Chinese incursions	09-08-16
Press conference by FM Kishida	06-09-16
Foreign Policy Speech by FM Kono	22-01-18
FM Kono statement at Japan-China FMM	28-01-18
Press conference by FM Kono	30-01-18
FM Kono statement at Japan-China FMM	15-04-18
Press conference by FM Taro Kono	15-04-18
Press conference by Deputy Press Secretary Ando	18-04-18
PM Abe statement at Japan China SM	09-05-18
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM	12-09-18
PM Abe statement at his visit to China	26-10-18
FM Kono statement at Japan-China FMM	26-10-18
PM Abe statement at Japan China SM	30-11-18
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM	27-06-19
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM	23-12-19
PM Abe statement at Japan-China SM and Working Lunch	25-12-19
Press conference by FM Motegi	23-06-20
FM Motegi statement at Japan-China FMM	24-11-20

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SM = Summit Meeting

FMM = Foreign Ministers' Meeting

Sources relating to South Korea	Dates
Diplomatic Bluebook	2014
Diplomatic Bluebook	2016
Diplomatic Bluebook	2017
Diplomatic Bluebook	2019
Diplomatic Bluebook	2020
Press conference by FM Kishida	01-03-13
FM Kishida statement at Japan-ROK FMM	01-07-13
Press conference by FM Kishida	13-01-15
Japan-ROK relations (basic data)	05-03-15
PM Abe speech for the Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Normalization of Japan-ROK Relations	22-06-15
Press conference by FM Kishida	05-07-15
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK SM	02-11-15
Press conference by Foreign Press Secretary Ohtaka	22-12-15
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK Summit telephone call	28-12-15
Press conference by FM Kishida	04-01-16
Policy speech by PM Abe	22-01-16
Press conference by FM Kishida	26-01-16
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK SM	07-09-16
Press conference by FM Kishida	17-01-17
Press conference by FM Kishida	31-03-17
Statement by FM Kishida on the ROK presidential election	09-05-17
Press conference by FM Kishida	20-06-17
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK SM	07-07-17
FM Kono statement at Japan-ROK FMM	07-08-17
Press conference by FM Kono	09-01-18
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK SM	09-02-18
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK SM	09-05-18
Press conference by FM Kono	20-06-18
FM Kono statement at Japan-ROK FMM	08-07-18
FM Kono statement at Japan-ROK FMM	02-08-18
PM Abe statement at Japan-ROK SM	25-09-18
Press conference by FM Kono	29-11-18
Press conference by FM Kono	23-04-19
Press conference by FM Motegi	13-09-19
Press conference by FM Motegi	29-10-19

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