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## A Sorry State?

## Apologies and Japan's Foreign Relations

*With*

**Jennifer M. Lind (MIT)**

*A discussion of the definition and use of contrition in Japanese politics and foreign relations.*

Ms. Lind is a Visiting Fellow at the Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College, and a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Political Science at MIT. Her dissertation is entitled *Sorry States: Apologies and International Politics* (forthcoming September 2003). Using the cases of France/Germany and South Korea/Japan, the dissertation tests whether apologies reduce threat perception and promote cooperation between nations. Ms. Lind's research interests include historical memory, East Asian security, and U.S. foreign and military policy in East Asia. She has worked as a consultant for RAND and for the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Defense. Ms. Lind holds a Master's degree from the School of International Relations/Pacific Studies at the University of California San Diego, and a B.A. from UC Berkeley.

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