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Now autumn has arrived. Autumn is a season of reading books, sports, colored leaves, etc., but of course the best season for appetite. Seeking seasonal foods you may have more chances to attend drinking parties ("nomikai") around this time of year. This issue of center news features alcohol harassment ("Alhara").

The "Alhara Dial 110" by the Liaison Council to Prevent "lkki" Drinking (April May 2000) collected various types of "Alhara" reports. Here is the summary of the reports. [The victims]

Social status working people 51%, students 38%

Gender men 57%, women 27%

10-19 years 12%, 20-29 years 36%, 30-40 years 12%

Many of the victims were young.

[The assailants]

Relationship senior people 43%, boss 26%

The data suggested that there were up-and-down relationships behind most of õAlharaö. More than one assailant was involved in 70% of õAlharaö cases thus õAlharaö was markedly done [Examples of õAlharaö reports]

- 1) Forcing someone to drink alcohol.
- 2) Forcing someone to attend drinking parties (õnomikaiö) or pressing alcohol to a person intolerable to alcohol.
- 3) Forcing underage people to drink alcohol.
- 4) Alcohol-related nuisance (picking a quarrel, sexual harassment, physical abuse, etc.)

As mentioned above, õforcing someone to drink alcoholö corresponds to õAlharaö, of course.

Furthermore, we should realize that one glecting of a person who cannot drink and of orcing someone to attend drinking partiesö also correspond to õAlharaö.

There was a case consultation in our center that a victim was forced to attend a drinking party by E-mail.

Shall we organize drinking parties that all of us easily and comfortably choose to attend or not? If you have a problem related to harassment including õAlharaö,

please feel free to come to our office at Harassment Consulting



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