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Research Achievement Report FY2017

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主たる研究テーマ	
Principal Research Subject	
According to my research plan, I collected documents about the transformation of the port	
handling in Marseilles in the late 19th and early 20th centuries (from 1880 to 1918) which	
constitutes the first part of my work. These documents include local archives of the department of	
Bouches du Rhône and chamber of commerce of Marseilles ; archives of the local union ; interviews	
of retired workers, stevedores and unionists; thesis, books and articles in history, geography and	
sociology on this topic ; contemporary reports about the development of the port ; contemporary	
literature ; pictures, short films and documentaries ; articles in some newspapers. I reached the	
conclusion that the setting	up of the new workers had created black legends and a very negative
image of the profession in spite of the efforts of the union to create better working conditions and a	
unity between French and	foreign workers.

At the same time, in my classes, I developed teaching and educational activities based on action method that is creating exchanges in the groups of students with topics related to the real life. This method pursues two goals : firstly, the students get used to talk in a real situation of the daily life and prepare better for their studies, travels in a French-speaking country and communication with French native speakers. Secondly, they prepare for the international French language exam (DELF-DALF) which is essential if they intend to use French language for their future career.

As for the publications, with my former colleagues of Konan University, I completed *Le Français à la carte*, a method of communication in French for beginners which will be used in the class of French as a second foreign language. I also contributed to *Quai numéro 1 pour le français* with Mrs Takaoka and Mrs Tomimoto, my colleagues in Osaka University. The purpose of that book is to introduce the French phonetics to the beginners.