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The march of October 23, 2020 on the streets of Ginza, Tokyo by the cabin attendant workers unfairly dismissed from United Airlines protested against the international airline company and demanded for immediate return to their workplace. More than 400 supporters from labor unions in the main joined the march. Photo by KIJIMA Tadashi.

## Field Report from Okinawa

# U.S. Military Bases and the Spread of COVID-19 - A New War

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*The COVID-19 epidemic is raging in Okinawa. It was brought about by the government's Go to Travel Campaign policy, which the government enforced to promote the economy prior to mitigating the risk of infection. It was caused by the spread of the infection*

*through U.S. military civilians and base personnel, which Ikemiyagi, lawyer of Okinawa, and Chi Myon Kwan denounce in their article (page 2). In order to cope with this situation, Governor Tamaki extended the prefecture's own declaration of a state of emergency*

*until August 29. But even under these circumstances, the government and the Ministry of Defense have not stopped constructing the Henoko base, not even for a moment. Dumps and barges continue to carry large amounts of earth and sand. (They stopped working dur-*