● The Council of State 太政官 (daijōkan): discusses policy at royal command; receives and executes orders from the tennō, regent 摂政 (sesshō) or 関白 viceroy (kanpaku) acting on behalf of the tennō, to run government affairs.

*The regent and viceroy assisted the tennō with government affairs. The royal secretary 蔵人 (kurōdō) deliberated on regulation.

【議政官】Giseikan

太政大臣 (Prime Minister (daijōdaijin))

左大臣 Minister of the Left (udaijin); 右大臣 Minister of the Right (sadaijin);

内大臣 Inner Palace Minister (naidaijin)

大納言 Senior Counselor (dainagon) · 中納言 Middle Counselor (chūnagon)

【事務官】Jimukan

弁官局 The Office of Controllers (benkankyoku)

左弁官局 Controller of the Left Office (sabenkan kyoku)

左大弁 Major Controller of the Left (sadaiben)

左中弁 Middle Controller of the Left (sachūben)

左少弁 Junior Controller of the Left (sashōben)

左大史 Major Controller of the Left's Secretary (sadaishi)

左少史 Junior Controller(s) of the Left's Secretary (sashōshì)

右弁官局 Controller of the Right Office (ubenkan kyoku)

右大弁 Major Controller of the Right (udaiben)

右中弁 Middle Controller of the Right (uchūben)

右少弁 Junior Controller(s) of the Right (ushōben)

右大史 Major Controller of the Left's Secretary(s) (udaishi)

右少史 Junior Controller of the Left's Secretary(s) (ushōshi)

: 少納言局 Junior Counselor's Office (shōnagon kyoku)

(外記局) (Council Secretary) (geki kyoku)

少納言 Junior Counselor (shōnagon)

大外記 Senior Secretary (daigeki)

少外記 Junior Secretaries (shōgeki)

● Offices Serving Below the Council of State:
Council of State 太政官→The Eight Ministries 八省→**Post 職、**Bureaus 寮、**Offices 司

The Eight Ministries (From mid-Heian onwards largely nominal)

Ministries Led by the Controller of the Left Office

Ministry of Residential Palace Affairs 中務省 (Palace business, editorial supervision of the national histories, and management of female officials)

Ministry of Personnel <u>式部省</u> (management of civil officials, conveying of rewards, ceremonials, the university)

Ministry of Civil Affairs 治部省 (management of monk and nuns, clans, *gagaku*, funerals, mausoleums, and diplomacy)

: Ministries led by the Controller of the Right Office

Ministry of Military Affairs 兵部省(management of military officials)

Ministry of Justice 刑部省(suits, sentencing)

<u>Ministry of the Treasury 大蔵省</u>(storehouse management and the post)

<u>Ministry of the Royal Household 宮内省(general affairs in the palace, clothes and food)</u>

Main Offices Under the Ministries

Queen's Household Agency 中宮職、Royal Provisions Bureau内蔵寮・Yin-yang Bureau 陰陽寮 University Bureau 大学寮

Music Bureau 雅楽寮・Accounting Bureau主 計寮・Tax Bureau 主税寮 Bureaus of Left and Right Arsenals 兵庫 寮、Hayato Office 隼人司 Prisons Office 囚獄司

Weaving Office 織部司 Banquet Office 大膳職、Carpentry Bureau木工寮・ Medicine Bureau典薬寮

●その他

Council on Kami Affairs 神祗官 (rites, management of priests, divination) Bodyguards of the Left and Right 左右近衛 府·Gate Watch of the Left and Right 左右衛門府 (policing within the palace grounds)

Royal Secretariat 蔵人所 (royal edicts, safekeeping of documents, meals and living quarters of the tennō)

Royal Police 検非違使 (maintaining order within the capital, suits, sentences, punishments, and police administration)

Maintenance posts 修理職 (construction and repairs for buildings in the palace and capital)

There was also the Board of Censors (*Danjōdai*) 弾正台、Left and Right Capital Agency 左右京職、Bureau of the Left and Right Stables 左右馬寮、Office to Oversee Provincial Governors' Performance (*Kageyushi*) 勘解由使, Office to Control the Kamo River (*Bōkashi*) 防鴨河使