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Dear the participants of IFCAA2012 Sapporo,

We at the Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO) are very grateful for the generous contributions and support that we have received from all over the world after the earthquake and Tsunami on March 11th. The support has been very important to us, and the Japanese people are determined to put all our efforts into recovery actions in response to the outpouring of encouragement and solidarity that we have received from the global community.

The Japan National Tourism Organization will support the rebuilding efforts, by continuing to pursue our mission to positively promote Japan as a vibrant, beautiful destination, brimming with unique cultural attractions, exciting cities, and friendly people.

Most of Japan's regions were unaffected by the earthquake and the accident of nuclear plants in Fukushima. Sapporo, where the IFCAA2012 Sapporo is scheduled to meet from June 20th to June 23rd 2012, is about 600km away from the region hit by the earthquake and nuclear power plants in Fukushima, and has not been affected at all. All major international airports throughout Japan are working as normal, and Sapporo's rail links to other major cities in Japan are also running a standard service. In addition, the convention facilities and hotels in Sapporo continue to be capable of hosting your meeting without any difficulties.

The Japan National Tourism Organization, as well as Sapporo Convention Bureau, will disseminate the accurate information regarding to the situation in Sapporo and do our best to support the delegates of the IFCAA2012 Sapporo in Sapporo. We feel that continuing to plan for your meeting in Sapporo will offer encouragement not only to the citizens of Sapporo, but to those throughout our nation.

If you have any concerns as to the situation in Japan, and any potential impact on your event, please feel free to contact us at the Japan National Tourism Organization and Sapporo Convention Bureau. We are here to help you, and very much look forward to welcoming you and your delegates to Japan in 2012.

Sincerely,

Tadatoshi Mamiya

President

Japan National Tourism Organization