



Translation

July 21, 2011

His Excellency Barack Hussein Obama, Jr.
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, DC
The United States of America

Dear Mr. President,

Abolition of nuclear weapons and realization of eternal peace is the earnest wish of the people of Japan, the only nation in the world suffered from the atomic bombings. It is also a sincere wish of 9 million citizens of Kanagawa Prefecture.

In April 2009, you delivered a speech in Prague and expressed your determination to achieve a world without nuclear weapons. However, while setting a goal of realizing a world free of nuclear arms, your country carried out subcritical tests of new form twice in November last year and March this year. The Kanagawa Prefectural Government and the municipalities within the prefecture lodged a strong protest against such movements of your country in May this year.

We learned that your country had also conducted subcritical tests in December last year and February this year, at almost the same time that you had carried out the new type of subcritical tests. We can not but question your vision of a world without nuclear weapons, and bear profound resentment.

In order to achieve nuclear disarmament and everlasting peace of the world, the Kanagawa Prefectural Government and all the municipalities within the prefecture hereby express our opposition against all forms of nuclear tests by any country. We strongly request that your country, as a responsible nuclear state,



never conducts nuclear tests in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Yuji Kuroiwa
Governor of Kanagawa Prefecture
Japan

Nobuaki Hattori
Chairperson of the Kanagawa Prefecture Mayors' Association

Nobuo Yamaguchi
Chairperson of the Kanagawa Prefecture Towns and Village Association