

2011 Spring Conferment of Decorations on Foreign Nationals

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| The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Paulownia Flowers | Contributed to the promotion of friendly relations and mutual understanding and the enhancement of the relations between Japan and the United States | *President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate *Chairman of United States Senate Committee on Appropriations *United States Senator | Daniel Ken Inouye (86) | District of Columbia Washington U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun | Contributed to Japan's policy on maternal and child health and international cooperation in the area of population and development | *Former Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund | Thoraya Ahmed Obaid (66) (F) | Jeddah Saudi Arabia (Saudi Arabia) |
| The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun | Contributed to promoting economic relations and intellectual exchange between Japan and Singapore | *Former Prime Minister *Former Senior Minister in Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong's Cabinet (Emeritus Senior Minister) *Former Chairman of Monetary Authority of Singapore *Former First Deputy Prime Minister *Former Minister for Defence *Former Minister for Trade and Industry | Goh Chok Tong (69) | Singapore (Singapore) |
| The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun | Contributed to promoting relations between Japan and Chile | *Former Minister of Economy *Former Vice-President of Senate *Former Chairman of Chile-Japan Senate's Union | Carlos Octavio Ominami Pascual (60) | Santiago Chile (Chile) |
| The Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun | Contributed to enhancing friendly relations between Japan and Peru | *First Vice-President *Former President of the Sea Institute of Peru | Luis Alejandro Giampietri Rojas (70) | Callao Callao Peru (Peru) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to the enhancement of the relationship and the promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Canada | *Former Co-Chair of Canada-Japan Inter-Parliamentary Group *Former Member of Parliament | Bryon Wilfert (58) | Richmond Hill Ontario Canada (Canada) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to the enhancement of the economic relations between Japan and Thailand | *Chairman of the Board, Toyota Motor Thailand Co., Ltd. *Member of the Board, the Siam Cement Public Co., Ltd. *Former Chairman, the Thai Chamber of Commerce *Former Chairman, Board of Trade of Thailand | Pramon Sutivong (71) | Yanawa Bangkok Thailand (Thailand) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to enhancing the relationship between Japan and Finland and to promoting their mutual understanding | *Chairman of the Parliamentary Finnish-Japanese Friendship Group *Former Minister of the Ministry of Finance *Member of Parliament | Jouko Skinnari (64) | Lahti Finland (Finland) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to the enhancement of economic relations between Japan and France | *Former French President of the <i>Club franco-japonais</i> *Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Schneider Electric S.A. | Henri Lachmann (72) | Paris France (France) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to the enhancement of academic relations between Japan and France and the promotion of their mutual understanding | *Professor of the <i>Institut des Hautes Etudes japonaises</i> *Professor of the <i>Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes</i> *Member of the <i>Institut de France</i> (Academy of Inscription and Belles-Lettres) | Jean-Noël Robert (61) | Paris France (France) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to the enhancement of the relationship between Japan and Vietnam | *Former Ambassador to Japan *Former Ambassador to France *Advisor of the Vietnam-Japan Friendship Association | Vo Van Sung (84) | Ho Chi Minh Vietnam (Vietnam) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and Iceland as well as to enhancing the understanding of the Japanese culture in Iceland | *Former Chairman of the Iceland Japan Society | Kristín Ísleifsdóttir (58) (F) | Garðabaer Iceland (Iceland) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to promoting the exchange between Japan and Ireland through the music | *Former Director of the Royal Irish Academy of Music | John O'Conor (64) | Dublin Ireland (Ireland) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the promotion of friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States | *Former United States Senator *Former Member of the House of Representatives *Former President of Northern California Judo Association | Ben Nighthorse Campbell (78) | Ignacio, Colorado U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to strengthening partnership between Japan and the United Nations Development Programme | *Former Director, Partnerships Bureau, United Nations Development Programme | Bruce Jenks (56) | New York U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contribution to the development of Japanese pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical chemistry, as well as to the improvement of social status of Japanese-Americans | *Former Professor, Department of Pharmaceuticals and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, University of Utah *Former Professor, Department of Pharmaceuticals and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, University of Michigan | William I. Higuchi (80) | Salt Lake City Utah, U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the promotion of the energy industry in Japan | *Former Representative of ExxonMobil Japan Group *Former President of ExxonMobil Yugen Kaisha *Former Representative Director and Managing Director of Tonen General Sekiyu K. K. | William J Bogaty (63) | New South Wales Australia (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the development of medicinal chemistry in Japan | *Kenan Professor of Medicinal Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill *Director of Natural Products Research Laboratories, Eshelman School of Pharmacy, UNC | Lee Kuo-Hsiung (71) | Chapel Hill North Carolina U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the promotion of the relations in the fields of agriculture and fisheries between Japan and the United Arab Emirates | *Former Undersecretary of the Agriculture and Fisheries | Hamad Abdulla Al Muttawa (64) | Ras Al Khaimah U.A.E. (U.A.E.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the advancement of Japanese studies and the promotion of the understanding of Japan in India | *Former Professor of School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University | Kuunnavakkam Vinjamur Kesavan (72) | New Delhi India (India) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the development of science and technology and manufacturing industry in Japan | *President of International Tribology Council *Honorary Membership, Japanese Society of Tribologists *Former Vice Chairman of Parliamentary and Scientific Committee | H. Peter Jost (90) | London U.K. (U.K.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the enhancement of economic ties between Japan and Canada | *Former Chairman and CEO of Sony of Canada *Former Founding Director of Japan Society of Canada | Albert Diamond Cohen (97) | Winnipeg Manitoba Canada (Canada) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to strengthening of the relations between Japan and Thailand | *Former Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperative *Advisor of Office of His Majesty's Principal Private Secretary | Jarantada Karnasuta (61) | Chatuchak Bangkok Thailand (Thailand) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the enhancement of the relationship between Japan and Thailand in the areas of economy and technology | *Former President, Technology Promotion Association (Thailand-Japan) *Former Vice President, National Science and Technology Development Agency *Former Director, National Institute of Metrology (Thailand) | Prayoon Shiowattana (62) | Chatuchak Bangkok Thailand (Thailand) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the development of partnerships and mutual understanding between Japan and the Republic of Korea | *Former Secretary General of Korea-Japan Cooperation Council *Former Consulate-General of the Republic of Korea in Fukuoka, Japan | Woo Jong ho (71) | Seoul Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the development of Japanese Studies and the promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany | *Professor of Japanese Studies and Director, Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies, Freie Universitaet Berlin *Former Director of the German Institute for Japanese Studies (DIJ) *Former President of the European Association of Japanese Studies | Irmela Hijiya-Kirschner (62) (F) | Berlin Germany (Germany) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the advancement of Japanese studies | *Distinguished Professor Emeritus of the University of Hamburg *Former Dean of the Asia-Africa Institute of the University of Hamburg | Manfred Pohl (67) | Hamburg Hamburg Germany (Germany) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the corporation between Japan and Germany in the field of science. | *Former President of Leibniz Association *Former Professor of Luebeck University | Ernst Theodor Rietschel (69) | Hamburg Germany (Germany) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the promotion of the cultural relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Norway | *Former President of Japan-Norway Society *Legal Advisor to the Embassy of Japan | Trond Eilertsen (55) | Oslo Norway (Norway) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the promotion of the academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil | *Retired Professor of Civil Procedure Law at the Law School of University of Sao Paulo *President of Brazil-Japan Institute of Comparative Law *Former President of the Association of Foreign Ministry's Scholarship Program *Retired Justice of the Superior Court of Appeals of the State of Sao Paulo | Watanabe Kazuo (75) | Sao Paulo Sao Paulo Brazil (Brazil) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the development of the fashion industry in Japan | *Former General Director of the Executive Board of the Leonard Group *President of the Executive Board of the Leonard Group *Board Member of the Colbert Committee | Daniel Tribouillard (76) | Paris France (France) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the enhancement of relationship between Japan and France and the promotion of their mutual understanding | *Vice Mayor of Nice *Member of the National Assembly *Member of France-Japan Friendship League of the National Assembly | Muriel Marland-Militello (67) (F) | Nice France (France) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon | Contributed to the enhancement of relationship between Japan and France and the promotion of their mutual understanding | *Mayor of Limoges *Member of the National Assembly *Parliamentary Secretary of France-Japan Friendship League of the National Assembly | Alain-Pierre Rodet (66) | Limoges France (France) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and the United States | *Former President, Japan-America Society of Tennessee *Former Senior Vice President and General Manager of Manufacturing, Toshiba America Consumer Products | Robert C Arnett (75) | Brentwood Tennessee U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the betterment of Japanese American community and the promotion of exchanges between Japan and the United States | *Former Hawaii State Senator *Councilmember of Honolulu City and County *Former President of United Japanese Society of Hawaii *President of Shufu Society of Hawaii | Ann H. Kobayashi (74) (F) | Honolulu Hawaii U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the enhancement of economic and cultural ties between Japan and the United States | *Former President of the Hawaii Visitors Bureau *Former Executive Director of the Japan-Hawaii Economic Council *Former Executive Secretary of the Governor's Coordinating Committee for the Japanese 1985 100th Anniversary Celebration | Thomas S. Sakata (81) | Honolulu Hawaii U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the promotion of friendly relations between Japan and the United States | *President of the Japan-America Society of New Hampshire | Charles B. Doleac (63) | Portsmouth New Hampshire U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to strengthening of the relations between Japan and the United Nations Security Council Affairs Division | *Former Director of the Security Council Affairs Division | Norma P. Chan (61) (F) | New York New York U.S.A. (U.K.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the promotion of exchange and friendship between Japan and Sri Lanka | *Former World President of Junior Chamber International *Former Provincial Councillor of Western Provincial Council | Mohamed Isfahani Sameen (60) | Colombo Western Province Sri Lanka (Sri Lanka) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the promotion of the personal exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and the Republic of Korea | *President Korea & Japan Woman's Association | Lee Yoshik (76) (F) | Seoul Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the development of bilateral economic relations between Japan and the Republic of Korea | *Former Executive Director, Korea-Japan Economic Association *Former Executive Director, Korea-Japan Cooperation Foundation for Industry and Technology | Huh Nam Jung (58) | Seoul Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette | Contributed to the enhancement of economic ties between Japan and Germany | *Mayor of Willich | Josef Heyes (62) | Willich Nordrhein-Westfalen Germany (Germany) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the promotion of the cultural exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States | *President of Anderson Enterprises *Founder and Executive Director of Anderson Japanese Gardens | John R. Anderson (69) | Rockford Illinois U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to preserving and promoting history and culture of a Japanese Americans community and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and the United States | *Trustee of Seabrook Educational and Cultural Center *Emeritus Board of Governors of Japanese American National Museum *Vice Governor of Eastern District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League | John Fuyume (86) | Audubon Pennsylvania U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the promotion of Kendo and the enhancement of friendly relations between Japan and the United States | *Former President of the Kendo Federation of the United States of America *Former President of the Southern California Kendo Federation *Advisor, All United States Kendo Federation | Maki Hiroyuki Miyahara (89) | Hacienda Heights California U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to elevating the status of Japanese Canadians and promoting friendly relations between Japan and Canada | *Councillor of the Village of the Cumberland *Former Mayor of the Village of the Cumberland | William Moncrief (83) | Cumberland British Columbia Canada (Canada) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the promotion of understanding of Japan in Sweden | *Former Foreign Correspondent of Svenska Dagbladet in Tokyo *Historian *Freelance Journalist | Monica Braw (65) (F) | Malmö Sweden (Sweden) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the promotion of the economic cooperation and friendly relations between Japan and Senegal | *Director of Senegal-Japan Vocational and Technical Training Center | Ousseynou Gueye (55) | Dakar Senegal (Senegal) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the support for Japanese nationals and the promotion of friendly relations between Japan and the Republic of Korea | *Former Chairman of the Jeju Medical Association *Former President of the Jang Siyoung Medical Clinic | Jang Siyoung (89) | Jeju Jeju Special Self-Governing Province Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the promotion of mutual understanding and friendly relations between Japan and New Zealand | *Former President, Dunedin Otaru Sister Cities Society *Former Director, Sister Cities New Zealand Inc. | Russell Gordon Duff (63) | Wanaka New Zealand (New Zealand) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to elevating the status of Japanese Communities, and to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil | *Former President of the Nikkei Association in Rio de Janeiro *Former Vice-President of the Japan-Brazil Cultural and Sport Association in the State of Rio de Janeiro *First Vice-President of the Cultural Institute of Brazil-Japan in Rio de Janeiro | Takao Yssamu (71) | Rio de Janeiro Rio de Janeiro Brazil (Brazil) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the archaeological investigation activities of Japan | *Former Director of the Cajamarca Office of the National Institute of Culture | Andrés Zevallos de la Puente (94) | Cajamarca Cajamarca Peru (Peru) |
| The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the promotion of traditional Japanese culture through Kendo in South Africa | *President of South African Kendo Federation | Lynn Sefor (69) | Johannesburg Gauteng South Africa (South Africa) |

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| The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays | Contributed to promoting music culture in Japan and friendly relations between Japan and the United States | *Musician (Ukulele Player) *Honorary Member of Nihon Ukulele Kyokai *Honorary Member of Hawaii Japanese Center | Herbert Ichiro Ohta (76) | Honolulu Hawaii U.S.A. (U.S.A.) |
| The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment | *Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia and in France | Guy Tranly (76) | Cergy France (France) |
| The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the activities of the Japan Interchange Association overseas office | *Former local employee of the Consulate General of Japan in Kaohsiung *Former local employee of the Japan Interchange Association, Kaohsiung office | Wang Kuan-yuh (75) | Kaohsiung City Taiwan |
| The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays | Contributed to the activities of the Japan Interchange Association overseas office | *Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in the Republic of China *Former local employee of the Japan Interchange Association, Taipei office | Tseng Mao-lin (73) | Taipei City Taiwan |
| The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Silver Rays | Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment | *Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in Syria | Isber Isber (57) | Telkalakh Homs Syria (Syria) |
| The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Star | Contributed to the promotion of education at private universities in Japan | *Former President, Sophia University *Former Dean, Faculty of Comparative Culture, Sophia University | Currie William Joseph (75) | Chiyoda-ku Tokyo Japan (U.S.A.) |