

Foreign Minister's Commendations FY 2011 (Individuals)

	NAME (Omit Titles from names)	MAJOR TITLES	SERVICES	ADDRESS
1	TANAKA Kenji	Chief Executive Officer	Contribution to the diplomacy through traditional Japanese cuisine	Bangplee, Samutprakarn, THAILAND
2	AONO Teruichi	Former Director, Japan Shogi Association a professional Shogi player	Promotion of cultural exchange through Shogi between Janan and Foreign Countries	Ito-shi, Shizuoka, JAPAN
3	YAMASHITA Yasuhiro	President, The Solidarity Judo & Education, a non profit organization Trustee/Dean, Tokai University Dep. of Physical Education (Professor)	Promotion of cultural exchange through Judo between Janan and Russia	Oiso-machi, Naka-Gun, Kanagawa, JAPAN
4	SUEISHI Kazue (Kaz SUEISHI)	President, American Society of Hiroshima, Nagasaki A-bomb Survivors (NPO)	Promotion of public awareness regarding nonnuclear	Torrance, CA U.S.A.
5	Setsuko THURLOW	Peace Educator	Advocacy for the total elimination of nuclear weapons	Toronto, Ontario, CANADA
6	NAKANO Takashi	Director, Gunma University Heavy Ion Medical Research Center Professor & Chairman, Dept. of Radiation Oncology Gunma University Graduate School of	Promotion of international cooperation in the field of medical care	Takasaki-shi, Gunma, JAPAN
7	EUM Ho Yeul	Sisa Japanese Publishing (Chairman), Sisa Japanese Institute (Chairman)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Republic of Korea	Seoul, REPUBLIC OF KOREA
8	LEE Sung Dae / SHIN Yoon Chan	LSH Asia Scholarship (specified nonprofit corporation) honorary chairman	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Republic of Korea	Busan, REPUBLIC OF KOREA
9	Surichai WANKAEO	Professor of Sociology Faculty of Political Science Chulalongkorn University	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Thailand	Bangkok, THAILAND
10	HONNA Tetsuji	Music Director and Principal Conductor of the Vietnam National Symphony Orchestra	Promotion of cultural exchange though music between Japan and Viet Nam	Chuo-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN
11	Dato Paduka Hj HAMDILLAH	Adviser, Brunei-Japan Friendship Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brunei	Bandar Seri Begawan, BRUNEI
12	KOMENOI Tadashi	Deputy General Manager, Ships Dept, JFE SHOJI TRADE COOPERATION	Promotion of Aikido in Sri Lanka	Soka-shi, Saitama, JAPAN
13	Sylvester Merrick GOONERATNE	Executive Director, Tos Lanka Co. (Pvt.) Ltd.	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Sri Lanka	Negombo, SRI LANKA
14	Carolyn CRAYTON	Founder and Executive Director Emeriti MACON, Georgia International Cherry Blossom Festival	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A.	Macon, GA U.S.A.

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15	Molly Miyako KIMURA	Sacramento Hiroshima Nikkeijin Kai President	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A	Sacramento, CA U.S.A.
16	Hisashi Kajikuri	Dr. Hisashi Kajikuri	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A	Monterey, CA U.S.A.
17	Yoko MOSSNER	Executive Director, Japanese Cultural Center / Tea House	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A.	Saginaw, MI U.S.A.
18	TANAKA Kinji	President, Japan Research Center of Greater Cincinnati	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A.	Deerfield Township, Warren County, OH U.S.A.
19	Larry D. JONES	Chair, Stillwater Sister Cities Council	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A.	Stillwater, OK U.S.A.
20	Alice Etsuko Eto SUMIDA	Former President, Nikkei Fujin kai	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A.	Portland, OR U.S.A.
21	ARA Ryokan	Advisor to the United Japanese Society of Hawaii	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and U.S.A.	Honolulu, HI U.S.A.
22	Ruth Reiko SUZUKI	President and Music Director, The Sakura Singers Society	Promotion of cultural exchange through music between Japan and Canada	Vancouver, B.C., CANADA
23	KOJIMA Hideo	Researcher of dyeing and weaving	Promotion of cultural exchange through dyeing and weaving between Japan and Guatemala	Guatemala-city, Department of Guatemala, Republic of Guatemala
24	YAMAKI Haruo	Rector, Japan-Nicaragua Institute for Superior Studies of Oriental Medicine	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Nicaragua	Managua, NICARAGUA
25	Kazuko RANKINE (TSUWADA Kazuko)	University of the West Indies, Centre for Language Learning, Lecturer (Japanese)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Trinidad and Tobago	St. Augustine, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
26	MIYAZATO Shoei	President, World Federation of Okinawa Shorin-ryu Karatedo	Promotion of Karate in Argentina	Cordoba, Provincia Cordoba, ARGENTINA
27	YAMAGUCHI Yoshio	Noodle making business	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Argentina	San Fernando, Provincia de Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA
28	HIGA Yoshio	Vice-president of La Plata Hochi	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Argentina	Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA

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29	INOUE Jumpachi	President of Proarte Foundation	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Ecuador	Manta , ECUADOR
30	SAKAO Hidenori	Counselor of the Welcome Production Limited Company	Promotion of cultural exchange through music between Japan and Brazil	São Paulo – SP – BRASIL
31	SHIRAISHI Kazoshi	President of the Federation of Japan-Brazil Cultural Associations in Northwest region	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	Araçatuba – SP – BRASIL
32	Enrique MIYASATO MIYASATO	General Manager of Miyasato Corporation	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Peru	Lima, PERU
33	Guillermo Genshin NEMA OKUDAIRA	Adviser, National Federation of Bolivian-Japanese Associations	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Bolivia	Santa Cruz, BOLIVIA
34	ODA Toshiharu	President of the Federation of Japanese Associations in Paraguay	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Paraguay	Encarnación, Departamento de Itapúa, PARAGUAY
35	Tryggvi SIGURDSSON	President of the European Kyudo Federation	Promotion of martial arts in Iceland	Reykjavik, ICELAND
36	Nicole COOLIDGE Rousmaniere (professionally known as Nicole ROUSMANIERE Coolidge)	Research Director, Sainsbury Institute for the Study of Japanese Arts and Cultures	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and United Kingdom	London, UNITED KINGDOM
37	Rein RAUD	Professor/Former Rector, Tallinn University	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Estonia	Tallin, ESTONIA
38	Robert VON BAHR	CEO of BIS Records AB	Promotion of cultural exchange through music between Japan and Foreign countries	Stockholm, SWEDEN
39	Taciana FISAC BADELL	Director of Centre for East Asian Studies, Madrid Autonomous University	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Spain	Madrid, SPAIN
40	YAMADA Hirotaka	Former Director of Mitsukoshi-Etoile	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and France	Paris, FRANCE
41	Gaëlle Gabrielle TOUFFLET	Ancienne Présidente , Association France Japon des Pays de l'Ain (Former President, France-Japan Association "Pays de l'Ain")	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and France	Ceyzerieu, FRANCE
42	SHIRAI Hiroshi	Chairman of the International Traditional Karate Federation Shihan-Kai Committee	Promotion of Karate in Italy	Milano, ITALY

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43	Vladimirs KINDZULIS	President, Latvian Kendo Federation	Promotion of martial arts in Latvia	Riga, LATVIA
44	Arvydas ALIŠAUSKAS	Associate Professor	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Lithuania	Kaunas, LITHUANIA
45	Robert PFLEGER	President, friendship society Hernals/Fuchu, Retired 17 District Chairman, City of Vienna	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Austria	Vienna, AUSTRIA
46	Heinz LEHNER	21 District Chairman, City of Vienna	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Austria	Vienna, AUSTRIA
47	TOKORO Hiroko (professionally known as TOKORO Hôkô)	Natural dyer and weaver	Promotion of Japanese culture in Austria	Oogaki-shi, Gifu, JAPAN
48	Ursula STEINER	Former Group Representative of Ikenobo Study Group Bern	Promotion of Japanese culture in Switzerland	Spiegel, Bern, SWITZERLAND
49	Kurt GOERGER	President of the Japan-German society Berlin	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Berlin, GERMANY
50	SOTOBAYASHI Hideto	Former Member of Foundation Council of the Japanese-German Center	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Berlin, GERMANY
51	KASUGAI Michihiko	Adviser, Association of Japanese Companies in Frankfurt am Main	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Darmstadt, Hessen, GERMANY
52	Thomas BOCK	Professor at the University of Technology in Munich	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Munich, GERMANY
53	Ion CARAMITRU	General Manager, The National Theatre of Bucharest	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Romania	Bucharest, ROMANIA
54	FUJITA Kiyoshi	Northern Territories Campaign Alliance, director	Promotion of public awareness regarding Northern Territories	Niki-cho, Yoichi-gun, Hokkaido, JAPAN
55	IWAHORI Keiko	Director of association "Kyoto Sankyoku", Professor and Committee member of institute "Sawai Sokyokuin"	Promotion of cultural exchange through music between Japan and Russia	Kyoto-shi, Kyoto, JAPAN
56	PERIFILIEV Vasilij	President of the company "Japan Today"	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	Moscow, RUSSIA

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57	GOLOMIDOVA Marina	Head of Informational Cultural Center "Japan" and Russia-Japan Society Ekaterinburg department	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	Ekaterinburg, RUSSIA
58	SMOLYAKOV Sergey Vladimirovich	"Hyperion" Publishing House Director	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	St. Petersburg, RUSSIA
59	SUGANO Reiko	Associate professor, Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies Department of Japanese Philology	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Uzbekistan	Tashkent , UZBEKISTAN
60	ISHIMOTO Kanji	President, Japan Turkey Culture Exchange Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Turkey	Kunitachi-shi, Tokyo, JAPAN
61	Hakan KAPLAN	President of the Bursa Uluyama Turkish Japanese Culture Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Turkey	Bursa, TURKEY
62	OKADA Emiko	Chairman, Japan-Iran Cultural Exchange Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Iran	Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa, JAPAN
63	SUWA Gen	Professor, The University of Tokyo	Promotion of academic exchange through Anthopology between Japan and Ethiopia	Kokubunji-shi, Tokyo, JAPAN
64	YAMAZAWA Ippei	Professor Emeritus at Hitotsubashi University	Promotion of international cooperation in the field of economy	Koganei-shi, Tokyo JAPAN
65	SUGIURA Miyoji	Former Director/Professor, Institute of Tropical Agriculture, Kyushu University	Promotion of international cooperation in the field of technical cooperation	Amimachi, Inashiki-gun , Ibaraki, Japan
66	TAKAHASHI Hitoshi	Former JICA Expert	Promotion of international cooperation in the field of technical cooperation	Konosu-shi, Saitama, JAPAN
67	TSUTSUMI Kazuo	Professor Emeritus, Toyohashi University of Technology	Promotion of international cooperation in the field of technical cooperation	Nagoya-shi, Aichi, JAPAN
68	ASAI Yasufumi	Doctor of Philosophy, SAPPORO MEDICAL UNEVERISITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	Promotion of international cooperation in the field of emagency assistance	Sapporo-shi, Hokkaodo, JAPAN