

Foreign Minister's Commendations FY2014(Individuals)

NO.	NAME(OMIT TITLES FROM NAMES)	MAJOR TITLES	SERVICES	ADDRESS
1	ISE Hikonobu	President, Ise Cultural Foundation	Promotion of cultural exchange through art between Japan and foreign countries	Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan
2	HORIE Kyoko	Managing Director, The Research Institute for the Traditional Culture of Japan	Promotion of Japanese Culture in foreign countries	Mitaka-shi, Tokyo, Japan
3	SATONAKA Machiko	Comic Artist	Promotion of cultural exchange through Manga between Japan and foreign countries	Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, Japan
4	ARIMA Toshio	Board Member, the UN Global Compact Board	Promotion of public awareness regarding the United Nations	Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan
5	UEKI Yasuhiro	Former Chief, Programme Support Section, Information Centres Service, Department of Public Information	Promotion of public awareness regarding the United Nations	Adachi-ku, Tokyo, Japan
6	SATO Noriko	President, Japan Association of Cultural and Economic Relationship with Mongol (JACEM)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mongolia	Sakai city, Osaka, Japan
7	TOMINAGA Teiha Cheng Bo	President of China Art Center	Promotion of cultural exchange through drama between Japan and People's Republic of China	Adachi-ku, Tokyo, Japan
8	LI, Minsheng	The Section Chief of Beijing Japan Shogi Association Division	Promotion of cultural exchange through Shogi between Japan and People's Republic of China	Beijing, People's Republic of China
9	KOJIMA Ryojiro	KOJIMA INDUSTRIES CORPORATION Honorary Advisor	Promotion of mutual exchanges and understanding between Japan and People's Republic of China	Nagoya-shi, Aichi, Japan
10	Damdinsuren OYUNTULKHUUR Oyunaa	Director of Oyuntulkuur Fund	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar city, Mongolia
11	Domii TUMURTOGOO	Secretary-General of the International Association for Mongol studies	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar city, Mongolia
12	Sundui BATBOLD	Member of the State Great Khural (Parliament) of Mongolia	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar city, Mongolia
13	OHE Kikuji	Special Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	ACT Australia
14	Eddie JONES	Head Coach, Japan Rugby National Team	Development of Rugby skills in Japan	Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan
15	Ping BLOCK	1st Grade Teacher Riji, Sogetsu School of Ikebana	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Australia	ACT Australia
16	MATSUMOTO Naoki	President of Canberra Japan Club and Director of Japanese Kindergarten	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	ACT, Australia
17	MORIMOTO Junko	Children's Book Artist	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	Northbridge, NSW, Australia
18	Madeleine RENNIE	CHAIRPERSON, BELMONT SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION(INC.)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Australia	Belmont, Western Australia, Australia

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19	KANZAKI Koji	Advisory Chairman, Camcal Co. Ltd	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Cambodia	Phnom Penh, Cambodia
20	MORIMOTO Kikuo	Institute for Khmer Traditional Textiles (IKTT)	Promotion of cultural exchange through textile between Japan and Cambodia	Siem Reap, Cambodia
21	Warintorn WUWONGSE	President of Japanese Language and Culture Teachers Association of Thailand	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Thailand	Bangkok, Thailand
22	Prateep UNGSONGTHAM HATA	Founder and Secretary-General, Duang Prateep Foundation	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Thailand	Bangkok, Thailand
23	NGUYEN Ngoc Binh	Honorary President, Japan Alumni of Vietnam	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Viet Nam	Hanoi , Vietnam
24	Khemsath PHILAPHANDETH	President of Lao Judo Federation	Promotion of Judo in Laos	Vientiane, Laos
25	Azyumardi Azra	Director, Graduate School, Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University, Jakarta	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia	Ciputat Timur, Tangerang Selatan Banteng, Indonesia
26	Jamhari Makruf	Vice Rector, Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University, Jakarta	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia	Ciputat Timur, Tangerang Selatan Banteng, Indonesia
27	UCHIHARA Masashi	President Sambetsukai	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia	Jakarta Selatan,Jakarta, Indonesia
28	MORITA Yasuko	Lecturer,Darma Persada University	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Indonesia	Jakarta Selatan,Jakarta, Indonesia
29	OKANO Tetsuro	Former Permanent Board Chairman, East Java Japan Club	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia	Meguro-ku Tokyo, Japan
30	Iskandar JALIL	ceramist	Promotion of cultural exchange through ceramic art between Japan and Singapore	Jalan Kembangan Singapore
31	SUGINO Kazuo	Special Advisor, The Japanese Association, Singapore	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Singapore	Merryn Road, Singapore
32	SUBE Hisako	Japanese Representative, Ikebana international Kuala Lumpur Chapter 72	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
33	SEGI Sadao	Counselor, the Japanese Chamber of Trade & Industry,Malaysia	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
34	WATANABE Junichi	Former Head of Japanese teachers, special preparatory programme for entry ito the Japanese Universities, Centre for Foundation Studies in Science, University of Malaya	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Malaysia	Seri Kembangan, Selangor, Malaysia
35	NOGUCHI tadashi	Lecturer, Foreign Service Training Institute, MOFA	Promotion of Sinhalese Language Education in Japan	Matsudo-shi,Chiba,Japan
36	C. Lal De Alwis	Vice Patron, JASTECA	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Sri Lanka	Dehiwala, Sri Lanka

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37	Roeda KABIR	President, Pakistan Japan Cultural Association Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Pakistan	Peshawer, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan
38	Karen FRASER	State Senator – State of Washington	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	Olympia, WA, U.S.A.
39	Yoko NOGE DEAN	Co-chair of the Chicago Sister Cities International Osaka Committee, Correspondent of Nihon Keizai Shimbun (Nikkei) Chicago Bureau	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	Oak Park, IL, U.S.A
40	SHIMOURA Toshiko	Former President, Ikebana International Chapter 85.	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	Southfield MI, U.S.A.
41	Laurel Rasplia RODD	Professor of Japanese and Comparative Literature, East Asian Languages and Civilization, University of Colorado at Boulder	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	Boulder, CO, U.S.A.
42	Susan J. ONUMA	President of Japanese American Association of New York	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	New York, NY, U.S.A
43	Gary S. MORIWAKI	Honorary President of Japanese American Association of New York	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	New York, NY, U.S.A.
44	NAOKI Junjiro	President, Japan–America Society of Houston	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	Houston, TX, U.S.A.
45	OKOSHI Toru Toru Tiger Okoshi	Professor of Music	Promotion of cultural exchange through music between Japan and the U.S.A.	Needham, MA, U.S.A.
46	SAITO Joichi	Central Pacific Bank Chairman Emeritus	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the U.S.A.	Honolulu, HI, U.S.A.
47	Sachiko Ann WELSH Sachi Ann WELSH	Founder of the Association of Florida Teachers of Japanese	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in the U.S.A.	Tampa,FL, U.S.A.
48	Jacob KOVALIO	Associate Professor, Department of History, Carleton University	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Canada	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
49	COATES Kenneth Stephen	Canada Research Chair in Regional Innovation, Johnson–Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Saskatchewan	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Canada	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
50	Ben J. CIPRIETTI	President and CEO, Japan Society	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Canada	Burlington, Ontario,Canada
51	MATSUBARA Naoko	Woodblock Print Artist	Promotion of cultural exchange through Woodblock Print between Japan and foreign countries	Oakville, Ontario ,Canada
52	TSUDA Saeko	Vancouver Shinpo	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Canada	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
53	WATANABE Mieko WATANABE Seibi	President of Seibikai, Sogetsu Study Group of Montreal	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Canada	Montreal, Quebec, Canada
54	Eusebio LEAL SPENGLER	Havana City Historian	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Cuba	La Habana, Cuba

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55	Herberth BOLAÑOS	Professor, School of Art and Visual Communication, National University	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Costa Rica	Heredia, Costa Rica
56	KATO Naoyuki	President of El Arte de Jardin	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mexico	Mexico D.F., Mexico
57	HIYAMA Masahiko	President of Administrative Council, Artes Graficas Panorama	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mexico	Mexico D.F., Mexico
58	FUKAHARA Minoru	Representatve of Autonomous University of Morelos States	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mexico	Minoh City, Osaka,Japan
59	Roberto BEHAR Calderón Roberto (Soki) Behar	President, Urasenke Tankokai Mexico	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Mexico	Mexico D.F., Mexico
60	Alejandro Virgilio LEON PINEDA	President, Asociation "Amigos de Japon" (Friends of Japan)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Mexico	Acapulco, Estado de Guerrero, Mexico
61	Maria Susana TANAKA DE ARASHIRO	President of Argentine Origamers	Promotion of "ORIGAMI" in Argentina	Buenos Aires , Argentina
62	INOMATA Yasuo	Gardener	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Argentina	Escobar, Provincia de Buenos Aires , Argentina
63	KANNARI Yusaku	Executive Committee Member of Japanese Teacher Training of Japanese Education Association	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Argentina	Buenos Aires, Provincia de Buenos Aires, Argentina
64	KINJO Takami	Principal of Sarmiento Japanese School	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Argentina	Jose C. Paz, Provincia de Buenos Aires, Argentina
65	Maria KODAMA	President of Jorge Luis Borges International Foundatio	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Argentina	Buenos Aires , Argentina
66	Daniel MEILÁN	Team Leader of Mining Task Force of the Argentina-Japan Business Cooperation Committee	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Argentina	Buenos Aires , Argentina
67	MACHIDA Sakae	President of The Colombian Japanese Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Colombia	Santiago de Cali, Valle del Cauca, Colombia
68	OHMINE Hidetoshi	Representative of Karate-Do Kushin-Ryu in South America	Promotion of Karate in Paraguay	Asuncion, Paraguay
69	Genjiro Alberto Chiba Kanazawa	President of Assoiation of Japanese elderly La Colmena	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Paraguay	La Colmena, Paraguari, Paraguay
70	Zilá Teresinha DA COSTA RAYMUNDO	President, Ikebana Sogetsu of Brasília	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Brazil	Brasília-DF-Brazil
71	KIKUCHI Yoshiharu	President of the Beneficent Association for Japan and Brazil in Sao Paulo	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	São Paulo-SP - Brazil
72	KITA Kihatiro	Presidente of the Brazilian Society of Japanese Culture and Social Assistance	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	São Paulo-SP - Brazil

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73	WADA Tadayosi	President of Harmonia Educational and Cultural Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	São Paulo-SP - Brazil
74	Osvaldo KAWAKAMI	Petrobras, Santos Basin Exploration and Production Operations Unit, General Manager	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	Santos, SP, Brazil
75	Vera Lúcia BOTTREL TOSTES	Director of the National Historical Museum	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil	Rio de Janeiro - RJ - Brazil
76	AKAMINE Takako	Advisor of The Peruvian Japanese Womens' Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Peru	Lima, Perú
77	YAMASHIRO Akira Jorge Akira Yamashiro	Advisor of The Peruvian Japanese Association	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Peru	Lima, Perú
78	IWANAGA Teruko	Managing Director, EJEF	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the United Kingdom	Berkshire,United Kingdom
79	Rupert FAULKNER	Senior Curator (Japan), Asian Department, Victoria and Albert Museum	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and the United Kingdom	London, United Kingdom
80	Åke NORDGREN	Founder & owner of Akebono Unlimited AB	Promotion of Japanese food and sake culture in foreign countries	Stockholm ,Sweden
81	Petteri KOSTERMAA	Vice-Chairman (former chairman) of the Finnish-Japanese Chamber of Commerce (FJCC)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Finland	Helsinki, Finland
82	Bernard DELAGE	Président de l'Association Jeunes Japon	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and France	Paris, France
83	UEDA Masaaki	Official coach, Austrian Judo Federation	Promotion of Judo in Austria	Vienna, Austria
84	Stylios L. PAPALEXANDROPOULOS	Professor of the History of Religions at the Theological School of the University of Athens	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Greece	Athens, Greece
85	Jurij FRANKO	President of Prospot d.o.o.	Development of skiing skills in Japan	Radovljica, Slovenia
86	TERASAKI Tetsuo	Representative, Culture Communication Consulting	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Berlin, Germany
87	KAMOUCI Tsuyoshi TOYOZAWA Tomisuke	Shamisen player, Japanese puppet theatre	Promotion of Gidayu-bushi (a style of Joruri) in foreign countries	Toyonaka-shi, Osaka-fu, Japan
88	Harald REICHENBACH	Former Head of Division "Courts Constitution" at Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Berlin, Germany
89	Uwe Karl KUMPF	Syna GmbH, Koordinator (Syna corp., Coordinator)	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Germany	Frankfurt am Main, Germany
90	Dobrinka Angelov Dobrinova-Dantcheva	Free-lance interpreter and translator, Japanese artcritic	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Bulgaria	Sofia, Bulgaria

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91	OKAZAKI Tsuneo	Senior Lecturer, Japanese Section, Department of Oriental Studies, University of Warsaw	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Poland	Warsaw, Poland
92	Jan Wincenty BOSSAK	Professor of International Business at Warsaw School of Economics	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Poland	Warsaw, Poland
93	Dariusz ROZUM	President of the Polish Sumo Federation	Promotion of Sumo in Poland	Krotoszyn, Poland
94	OZAKI Shinya	Music Director/Principal Conductor, The Targu Mures State Philharmonic Orchestra	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Romania	Kobe, Hyogo, Japan
95	SEITALIEVA Gulmiza Askarbekovna	President of Aikido Federation of the Kyrgyz Republic	Promotion of Aikido in the Kyrgyz Republic	Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic
96	POLYAKOVA, Nataliya Albertovna	Principal of School No.83, St.Petersburg	Promotion of Japanese Language Education in Russia	St. Petersburg, Russia
97	Marina, Vladimirovna, SINELNIKOVA	Director, Amur regional branch of «Russia-Japan» Society	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	Blagoveshchensk, Russia
98	Irina, Viktorovna, FILATKINA	former Director General of Far Eastern State Reserch Library	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	Khabarovsk, Russia
99	MISIKOV, Boris Ramazanovich	President of Sakhalin State University	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Sakhalin Oblast, Russia
100	TEZUKA Kazuo	Lawyer, President of Japan Center	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Russia	Kunitachi-Shi, Tokyo, Japan
101	Ilana SINGER BLAINE	Chief Curator, Ticotin Museum of Japanese Art	Promotion of Japanese Culture in Israel	Haifa, Israel
102	KATO Yasuhide KATO Kobei	Ceramist	Promotion of cultural exchange through ceramic art between Japan and Iran	Tajimi, Gifu, Japan
103	Mahmoud Abdulwahid Mahmoud Al-QAYSI	Professor, Head of History Department, College of Arts, University of Baghdad	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Iraq	Baghdad, Iraq
104	TOWARI Marie Louise	President, NPO "Think about Education in RWANDA"	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Rwanda	Fukushima, Japan
105	TAMURA Yoshikazu	Chairman, Japanese Community Association in Ghana	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and Ghana	Accra, Ghana
106	YUGE Akiko	Former Director and Special Advisor to the Administrator, UNDP Representation Office in Tokyo	Promotion of public awareness regarding the United Nations	Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan
107	IRUKA	Goodwill Ambassador for IUCN	Promotion of public awareness regarding nature conservation	Tokyo, Japan
108	NAKAYAMA Mariko	Lecturer / Adviser of Association for Nakano International Communications	Promotion of mutual understanding between Japan and foreign countries	Suginami-ku, Tokyo, Japan