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Decoration	Services	Major Titles	Name	Age	Address (Nationality)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting friendship between Japan and the United States	*Former Deputy Secretary of Defense *President and CEO of CSIS (Center for Strategic & International Studies)	John J. Hamre	66	Washington, District of Columbia, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting friendship between Japan and the United States	*Former Speaker of the House of Representatives *Former Member of the House of Representatives	John Andrew Boehner	66	Ohio, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening bilateral relations and friendship between Japan and Sri Lanka	*Speaker of Parliament *Former President of Sri-Lanka Japan Parliament Friendship Association	Karu Jayasuriya	76	Kotte, Sri Lanka (Sri Lanka)
Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun	Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting friendship between Japan and Korea	*Former Minister of Foreign Affairs *Professor Emeritus, Korea University *Honorary President, The Seoul Forum for International Affairs	HAN Sung Joo	76	Seoul, Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea)

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<p>Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting friendly relations between Japan and the Philippines</p>	<p>*Former Prime Minister *Former Secretary of Finance</p>	<p>Cesar Enrique Aguinaldo Virata</p>	<p>85</p>	<p>Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines (Philippines)</p>
<p>Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening relations and promoting friendly relations between Japan and the Philippines</p>	<p>*Former Senate President *Senate President Pro-Tempore *President of the Philippines-Japan Parliamentarians Association</p>	<p>Franklin M. Drilon</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>San Juan City, Metro Manila, Philippines (Philippines)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Iceland</p>	<p>*Former Ambassador of Iceland to Japan *Vice Chairman of the Scandinavia-Japan Sasakawa Foundation *Board Member of the Watanabe Trust Fund</p>	<p>Ingimundur Sigfusson</p>	<p>78</p>	<p>Reykjavik, Reykjavik, Iceland (Iceland)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Ukraine</p>	<p>*Former Ambassador of Ukraine to Japan, *Former Rector of the Diplomatic Academy of Ukraine, *Ambassador of Ukraine to Australia</p>	<p>Mykola Kulinich</p>	<p>63</p>	<p>Canberra, Australia (Ukraine)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United Kingdom</p>	<p>*Former Co-Chair of the UK-Japan 21st Century Group *Former Leader of the Conservative Party *Member of the House of Lords</p>	<p>Michael Howard</p>	<p>75</p>	<p>London, The United Kingdom (U.K.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting economic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Oman</p>	<p>*Minister of Commerce and Industry and Deputy Chairman of the Supreme Council for Planning *Former Minister of Sports Affairs</p>	<p>Ali bin Masoud bin Ali Al Sunaidy</p>	<p>52</p>	<p>Muscat, Muscat, Oman (Oman)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Cuba</p>	<p>*Historian of the City of Havana *Vice President of the Cuba-Japan Friendship Parliamentary Group *Member of the National Assembly of People's Power (Parliament)</p>	<p>Eusebio Leal Spengler</p>	<p>74</p>	<p>La Habana, La Habana, Cuba (Cuba)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening relationship between Japan and Spain in the fields of science and technology</p>	<p>*State Secretary for Reserch, Development and Innovation *Former President of Association of Women Scientist and Technologist *Former President of Spanish Society of Biotechnology</p>	<p>Carmen Vela Olmo</p>	<p>61</p>	<p>Madrid, Madrid, Spain (Spain)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Thailand</p>	<p>*Former President of Old Japan Students' Association, Kingdom of Thailand (OJSAT) *Former Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Navy(Admiral)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wirach Wijarn</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">77</p>	<p>Samutprakarn, Samutprakarn, Thailand (Thailand)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and China</p>	<p>*Former Vice President of the China-Japan Friendship Association *Former Vice President of Japan-China Friendship Center *Former Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wen Chi</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">88</p>	<p>Beijing, People's Republic of China (CHINA)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding in the judicial field between Japan and Brazil</p>	<p>*Former Minister of Superior Court of Justice *Executive Member of Institution of Comparative Law Japan and Brazil</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Massami Uyeda</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">73</p>	<p>Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil (Brazil)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening economic relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and France</p>	<p>*Former Governor of the Bank of France *Former Head of the Treasury at the French Ministry of the Economy and Finance *Former Chairman of the Bank for International Settlements *Honorary Governor of the Bank of France</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Christian Noyer</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">66</p>	<p>Paris, France (France)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting parliamentary exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Vietnam</p>	<p>*Chairman of the Vietnam - Japan Parliamentary Friendship Association *Former Head of the Party Central Committee for Organization</p>	<p>To Huy Rua</p>	<p>69</p>	<p>Hanoi, Vietnam (Vietnam)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Madagascar</p>	<p>*Former Ambassador of Madagascar to Japan *Vice-President of the Hiroshi Uchida Foundation *Former Technical Advisor to Minister of Foreign Affairs</p>	<p>Cyrille Fida</p>	<p>71</p>	<p>Antananarivo, Antananarivo, Madagascar (Madagascar)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting legislative exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Mongolia</p>	<p>* Former Chairman of the Mongolia-Japan Parliamentary Group * Former Minister of Mining * Chairman of JUGAMO Association</p>	<p>Davaajav Gankhuyag</p>	<p>52</p>	<p>Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia (Mongolia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Russia</p>	<p>Rector of Saint Petersburg University</p>	<p>Nikolay Mikhaylovich Kropachev</p>	<p>57</p>	<p>Saint Petersburg, Russia (Russia)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to introducing Japanese society and promoting understanding of Japan in Taiwan</p>	<p>*Liberty Times publisher and chairman *Former member of Taipei County and Taipei City council</p>	<p>Wu A-Min</p>	<p>92</p>	<p>Taipei City, Taiwan</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Taiwan</p>	<p>*Former Chairperson of Association of East Asian Relations *Honorary Chairman, Taiwan National Security Institute</p>	<p>Fu-chen Lo</p>	<p>81</p>	<p>Taipei City, Taiwan</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to developing musical culture in Japan and promoting friendly relations</p>	<p>*Pianist *General Director of the MUSIC FESTIVAL Argerich's Meeting Point in Beppu *President of the Argerich Arts Foundation</p>	<p>Martha Argerich</p>	<p>75</p>	<p>Brussels, Brussels, Belgium (Argentina)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to developing economic relations between Japan and Argentina</p>	<p>*Chairman of the Argentina-Japan Business Co-operation Committee *President of the Argentine Medical Devices Association</p>	<p>Angel Machado</p>	<p>63</p>	<p>Acassuso, Buenos Aires, Argentina (Argentina)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Israel</p>	<p>*Architect, City Planner *Chairman, Israel-Japan Friendship Society *Adjunct lecturer at Tel Aviv University</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Arie Kutz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">63</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ramat Gan, Israel (Israel)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to developing Japanese studies and promoting understanding of Japan in Israel</p>	<p>*Former Director of Israel Government Press Office, Prime Minister's Office *Former Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Humanities, Tel Aviv University *Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Asian Studies, Faculty of Humanities, Hebrew University of Jerusalem</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Meron Medzini</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">84</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jerusalem, Israel (Israel)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting educational and academic exchanges and enhancing mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia</p>	<p>*Former Director General of Higher Education, Ministry of National Education *Former professor of Bandung Institute Technology *Visiting professor of Toyohashi University of Technology *Advisor of Japan International Cooperation Agency(Higher Education in Indonesia)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Satryo Soemantri Brodjonegoro</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">60</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bandung, West Java, Indonesia (Indonesia)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and Australia</p>	<p>*Vice President of the Australia Japan Business Co-operation Committee *Former Chairperson of the Infrastructure Planning Committee of the Australia Japan Business Co-operation Committee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Robert Seidler</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">68</p>	<p>Willoughby, New South Wales, Australia (Australia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to enhancing the status of Japanese Canadians and promoting Japanese culture</p>	<p>*Former President of the National Association of Japanese Canadians *President of the Japanese Cultural Association of Manitoba</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Arthur Kazumi Miki</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">80</p>	<p>Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (Canada)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting scientific and technological exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Sweden</p>	<p>*Former Professor of Department of Nuclear Engineering, Chalmers University of Technology</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Imre Pázsit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">68</p>	<p>Mölnadal, Sweden (Sweden and Hungary)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting historical studies and friendly relations between Japan and Spain</p>	<p>*Former Rector of the International University of Andalucía *Executive Vice President of Hispano-Japanese Association Hasekura *Former Minister of Culture and Environment of Autonomous Government of Andalucía</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Juan Manuel Suárez Japón</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">71</p>	<p>Coria del Río, Andalucía, Spain (Spain)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting exchange and friendly relations between Japan and Pakistan</p>	<p>*Honorary Consul-General of Japan in Quetta *President, Pakistan-Japan Friendship Society, Balochistan</p>	<p>Syed Nadeem Alam Shah</p>	<p>59</p>	<p>Quetta, Balochistan, Pakistan (Pakistan)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and Belgium</p>	<p>* President of the Belgium-Japan Association and Chamber of Commerce (BJA) * Former Professor of the Catholic University of Leuven * Former President and CEO of the IMEC</p>	<p>Gilbert Declerck</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>Winksele, Vlaams-Brabant, Belgium (Belgium)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relation between Japan and Poland through sports and cultural exchange</p>	<p>*Member of the International Olympic Committee *Former President of the Polish Athletics Federation</p>	<p>Irena Szewinska</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>Lomianki, Poland (Poland)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening economic relations between Japan and Malaysia</p>	<p>* Vice President and Secretary-General of MAJECA * Co-chairperson of MAJECA-JAMECA Joint Conference * Executive and Non-Independent of Farlim Group (M) Bhd</p>	<p>Mohamed Iqbal Rawther</p>	<p>72</p>	<p>Subang Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia (Malaysia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to fostering and developing Japanese ballet society</p>	<p>*Ballet maister of the State Academic Bolshoi Theatre of Russia *Former Artistic Director of the State Academic Bolshoi Theatre of Russia *Professor of Choreography Division of Moscow State University of Design and Technology</p>	<p>Boris B. Akimov</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>Moscow, Russia (Russia)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to fostering and developing Japanese ballet society</p>	<p>*Ballet maister of the State Academic Bolshoi Theatre of Russia *Former Artistic Director of the State Academic Bolshoi Theatre of Russia *Professor of Russian State Institute of Theatre Arts GITIS</p>	<p>Vladimir V. Vasiliev</p>	<p>76</p>	<p>Moscow, Russia (Russia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to popularizing Judo in Russia, promoting legislative exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Russia</p>	<p>*Honorary President of Russian Ju-jitsu Federation *President of International Sambo Federation</p>	<p>Vasily B. Shestakov</p>	<p>63</p>	<p>Moscow, Russia (Russia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting parliamentary exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Russia.</p>	<p>*Former Coordinator of the Interparliamentarian Group on relations with the Japanese Parliament</p>	<p>Boris L'vovich Reznik</p>	<p>76</p>	<p>Moscow, Russia (Russia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States</p>	<p>*Former President of Japan America Society of Colorado *Legal Advisor for the Consulate General of Japan in Denver</p>	<p>Richard K. Clark</p>	<p>72</p>	<p>Greenwood Village, Colorado, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting exchange and friendly relations between Japan and the United States</p>	<p>*Former Honorary Consul-General of Japan in Orlando *President and Chief Operating Officer, Rosen Hotels & Resorts</p>	<p>Harris Rosen</p>	<p>77</p>	<p>Orlando, Florida, U.S.A (U.S.A)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting Japanese art in Italy and strengthening cultural exchange between Japan and Italy</p>	<p>*Former Director of National Museum of Oriental Art-Venice</p>	<p>Fiorella Spadavecchia</p>	<p>64</p>	<p>Padua, Veneto, Italy (Italy)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting Japanese art in Italy and strengthening cultural exchange between Japan and Italy</p>	<p>*Director of the 'Edoard Chiossone' Museum of Oriental Art, Genoa City Council *Professor, History of Art of Eastern Asia, Faculty of Letters, University of Genoa</p>	<p>Donatella Failla</p>	<p>64</p>	<p>Genoa, Liguria, Italy (Italy)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting academic exchanges in the field of disaster management and mutual understanding between Japan and Iran</p>	<p>*Dean of Civil Engineering Department at Shahid Beheshti University *Former Associate Professor of Power & Water University of Technology-Abbaspour University *Board member of Iran-Japan Friendship Association *Former Head of Monbukagakusho Alumni Center</p>	<p>Nemat Hassani</p>	<p>57</p>	<p>Tehran, Iran (Iran)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to developing Japanese studies in Indonesia and enhancing mutual understanding between Japan and Indonesia</p>	<p>*Former President of Indonesia Association for Japanese Studies *Former Head of Center for Japanese Studies, University of Indonesia</p>	<p>Bachtiar Alam</p>	<p>58</p>	<p>Depok, West Java, Indonesia (Indonesia)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United Kingdom</p>	<p>*Former Chief Executive, the Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation *Former Director of Programmes, the Japan Foundation, London *Former Director, the British Council, Kyoto, Japan *Former Board Member, the Japan Society, London</p>	<p>Stephen McEnally</p>	<p>66</p>	<p>Hertford, Hertfordshire, The United Kingdom (U.K.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting a better understanding of Japan and introducing Japanese culture in Spain</p>	<p>*Former Director of the Press Services of the Prime Minister Cabinet *Delegate of Tokyo'64 Promotion</p>	<p>Fernando Segú y Martín</p>	<p>76</p>	<p>Madrid, Madrid, Spain (Spain)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and China</p>	<p>*Former Professor of the Department of Global and Media studies, University of Nagasaki Siebold *Former Professor of the Department of Japanese studies, College of Shanghai Internatlnal Studies *Chairman of Shanghai Japan Studies and Communication Association *Former Deputy Director-General, Foreign Affairs Office Shanghai Municipal People's Government *Vice-President, Shanghai People's association for Friendship with Foreign Countries</p>	<p>Pengnian Yu</p>	<p>79</p>	<p>Shanghai, People's Republic of China (China)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to improvement of social welfare for Japanese and Japanese descent in Brazil</p>	<p>*Former President of the Brazilian Society of Japanese Culture and Social Welfare * Former President of The Beneficent Society House of Hope Kibo-no-Ie</p>	<p>Kihatiro Kita</p>	<p>72</p>	<p>São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil (Brazil)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and France</p>	<p>*Former Honorary Consul of Japan in Toulouse *Honorary Notary in Toulouse</p>	<p>Pierre Aymard</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>Haute-Garonne, Toulouse, France (France)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting academic and sports exchange through Judo and mutual understanding between Japan and France</p>	<p>*Professor of the Faculty of Sports Science at the Bordeaux University *Vice-President of the French Federation of Judo, Jujitsu, Kendo, and Associated Disciplines</p>	<p>Michel Brousse</p>	<p>64</p>	<p>Merignac, France (France)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting sports exchange through Judo between Japan and France</p>	<p>*President of the French Federation of Judo, Jujitsu, Kendo, and Associated Disciplines *General Secretary of the International Judo Federation</p>	<p>Jean-Luc Rougé</p>	<p>67</p>	<p>Briis sous Forges, France (France)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening Japan's football and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Bosnia and Herzegovina</p>	<p>*Former Coach of Japan Football National Team *Former Coach of JEF United Ichihara *Advisor to Japan Football Association</p>	<p>Ivan Osim</p>	<p>75</p>	<p>Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina (Bosnia and Herzegovina)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening economic relations and promoting mutual understanding between Japan and Taiwan</p>	<p>* Vice President of Taiwan Japan Association for Business Communication *Chairman of Abico Group *Former CEO of Ability Enterprise Co., Ltd.</p>	<p>Tong Ching-Hsi</p>	<p>80</p>	<p>Taipei, Taiwan</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting Japanese studies and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States</p>	<p>*Former President of the Massachusetts Hokkaido Association *Former Chairman of Concord Nanae Network</p>	<p>Thomas G. Curtin</p>	<p>71</p>	<p>Concord, Massachusetts, U.S.A (U.S.A)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States</p>	<p>Executive Director, Japan-America Society of Indiana</p>	<p>Theresa Ann Kulczak</p>	<p>57</p>	<p>Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States</p>	<p>*Former President of Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce *Former Chairman of the Board, Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i</p>	<p>Garrett Kazuhiro Serikawa</p>	<p>84</p>	<p>Kailua, Hawaii, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations between Japan and the Jewish and understanding of Japan</p>	<p>*Writer</p>	<p>Marvin Tokayer</p>	<p>80</p>	<p>Great Neck, New York, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendship and mutual understanding between Japan and the United States</p>	<p>* Former President, Japanese Prefectural Association of Southern California * Former Chair of the Board of Directors, Japanese Institute of Sawtelle * Former President, Nanka Nippon Minyo Kyokai</p>	<p>Tak Takehiro Nishi</p>	<p>80</p>	<p>Los Angeles, California, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting mutual understanding between Japan and the United States and introducing Japanese culture.</p>	<p>*President, Eastside Nihon Matsuri Association *Former President, Puget Sound Japanese Garden Society *Former President, The Japanese Garden Society of Seattle</p>	<p>Thomas Sears Brooke</p>	<p>81</p>	<p>Redmond, Washington, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to introducing Japanese culture and promoting understanding of Japan in the United States</p>	<p>Former President of the Board, Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens</p>	<p>Randal Baker</p>	<p>56</p>	<p>Boynton Beach, Florida, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and India in the field of Children's literature</p>	<p>*Writer of children's literature *Secretary General of the Indian Section, the International Board of Books for Young People (IBBY) *Secretary General of the Association of Writers and Illustrators for Children (AWIC)</p>	<p>Manorama Jafa</p>	<p>84</p>	<p>Delhi, India (India)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to preserving the history of Japanese internees in Uzbekistan and promoting understanding of Japan.</p>	<p>Director, "The Memorial Exposition Museum of the Japanese Citizens' Sojourn in Uzbekistan in 1940s."</p>	<p>Jalil Sultanov</p>	<p>71</p>	<p>Tashkent, Tashkent, Uzbekistan (Uzbekistan)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to strengthening economic relations and promoting cultural exchange between Japan and the Netherlands</p>	<p>*Former Account Manager and Director Foreign Investments of Economic Affairs, City of Amstelveen *Director of the Japan Desk amsterdam inbusiness</p>	<p>Christa de Kemp-Everts</p>	<p>65</p>	<p>Amstelveen, Noord-Holland, Netherlands (Netherlands)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Korea</p>	<p>*Organizer of the Memorial Service for Japanese Nationals in the Republic of Korea *Adviser, Federation of Korean Tea Masters Society</p>	<p>Lee Keunho</p>	<p>77</p>	<p>Seoul, Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Korea</p>	<p>*Chairman of Korea and Japan Friendship Association, Ulsan</p>	<p>Byung Jik Lee</p>	<p>91</p>	<p>Ulsan, Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Korea</p>	<p>*Former Chairman of Jeju Special Self-Governing Provincial Tourism Association *Former Chairman of Seogwipo-city Tourism Association</p>	<p>Hong Myungpyo</p>	<p>76</p>	<p>Seogwipo City, Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to developing the tourism industry between Japan and China</p>	<p>*President of Pak Shing Travel Co., Ltd. *Former Chairman of Hong Kong Japanese Tour Operators Association *Member of the Security Consultation and Liaison Committee for Overseas Japanese</p>	<p>Choi Pat Tai</p>	<p>78</p>	<p>Hong Kong SAR, People's Republic of China (China)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Germany</p>	<p>*President of the German-Japanese Society Saxony-Anhalt *Former supernumerary professor of Otto-von-Guericke University Magdeburg</p>	<p>Lutz Wisweh</p>	<p>68</p>	<p>Barleben, Saxony-Anhalt, Germany (Germany)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Germany</p>	<p>*President of the German-Japanese Society Weimar *Ikebana Instructor</p>	<p>Ingrid Bauhaus</p>	<p>64</p>	<p>Bad Berka, Thuringia, Germany (Germany)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting sports exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Paraguay through Judo</p>	<p>*President of Paraguay Judo Federation *Vice President of South American Judo Federation</p>	<p>Francisco Birnstill</p>	<p>76</p>	<p>Fernando De La Mora, Departamento Central, Paraguay (Paraguay)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting Japanese language education and developing human resources through Japanese culture in Brazil</p>	<p>*Principal of Japanese Language School of Efigenio de Sales *Former Principal of Oubidor Sanpaio Manaus city School</p>	<p>Katsuko Tereza Koba Sato</p>	<p>76</p>	<p>Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil (Brazil)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting cooperative relationship with police between Japan and Brazil</p>	<p>*Former Head of the First Section of the General Staff of the Militar Police of State of São Paulo</p>	<p>José Kiyoshi Taniguchi</p>	<p>61</p>	<p>São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil (Brazil)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting friendly relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Brazil</p>	<p>President of Japanese-Brazilian Cultural Society Association of Brasilia</p>	<p>Tatsuo Matsunaga</p>	<p>77</p>	<p>Brasilia, DF, Brazil (Brazil)</p>

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<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting mutual understanding and friendly relations through Karate between Japan and Bolivia.</p>	<p>*President of Japanese Association of La Paz *Former President of Bolivian Karate Federation</p>	<p>Carlos Hugo Komori del Villar</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>La Paz, Bolivia (Bolivia)</p>
<p>The Orde of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to developing Japanese language education and Japanese studies and promoting understanding of Japan in Lithuania</p>	<p>*Former Japanese Teacher, Oriental Center, Klaipeda University * Principal, Klaipeda Martynas Mazvydas Progymnazium *Member of the City Council, Klaipeda City</p>	<p>Vytautas Dumcius</p>	<p>52</p>	<p>Klaipeda City, Lithuania (Lithuania)</p>
<p>The Order of the Rising Sun, Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting welfare, friendship and goodwill within the Japanese American community</p>	<p>*Former President, Japanese Women's Society of Southern California *Vice President, Omotesenke Domonkai, Southern California Chapter</p>	<p>Kay Kayoko Inose</p>	<p>75</p>	<p>Rancho Palos Verdes, California, U.S.A. (U.S.A.)</p>
<p>The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment</p>	<p>*Former local employee of the Embassy of Japan in Austria</p>	<p>Jutta Lorenz</p>	<p>71</p>	<p>Gross Enzersdorf, Austria (Austria)</p>

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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 the Republic of Korea	Kyoung Hee Kim	65	Guri-si, Gyonggi-do, Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea)
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 the Republic of Korea	SUNG SOOK CHA	67	Seoul, Republic of Korea (Republic of Korea)
The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays	Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment	Former local employee of the Consulate-General of Japan in Hong Kong	FONG Siu Yan	60	Hong Kong SAR, People's Republic of China (China)
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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 Panama	Manuela Ines Sandoval	65	Panama, Panama, Panama (Panama)
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 Paraguay	Zunilda Moriya Maciel	62	Asuncion, Paraguay (Paraguay)
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 Sri Lanka	Lansakara Herath Mudiyansele Sunil	60	Dehiwala, Sri Lanka (Sri Lanka)
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 the Czech Republic	Jan Pelouch	65	Prague, Czech Republic (Czech Republic)

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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 Fiji	Sarah Louise Banner	62	Suva, Fiji (Fiji)
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 Bulgaria	Biliana Stanoylovitch	61	Sofia, Bulgaira (Bulgaria)
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 South Africa	Shirley Sonnenberg	62	Pretoria, Gauteng, South Africa (South Africa)
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 Lao PDR	Bounmy Xaphilom	60	Vientiane, Lao PDR (Lao PDR)

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<p>The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon</p>	<p>Contributed to promoting higher education at private institutions in Japan and mutual understanding between Japan and Sri Lanka</p>	<p>*Former President of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific Universtiy *Senior Advisor to Prime Minister of Sri Lanka</p>	<p>Ahmed Mumtaz Masoon Cassim</p>	<p>69</p>	<p>Otsu, Shiga, Japan (Sri Lanka)</p>
<p>The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays</p>	<p>Contributed to the correctional Education in Prison</p>	<p>* Chaplain * Vice-chairperson of chaplain association in Kagoshima Prefecture</p>	<p>Maxey Walter Mark</p>	<p>70</p>	<p>Kagoshima, Kagoshima, Japan. (U.S.A)</p>