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Dear Mr. Takamatsu:

At the very outset, I wish to express on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Palau, our most sincere appreciation and gratitude for your personal attendance and invaluable contributions during the recent Palau's 12<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebrations and official Relocation/Opening of our new Capitol building complex in Melekeok State last October 01, 2006. It was indeed a great pleasure meeting you in Palau and to renew our existing personal bonds of friendship.

Further, I wish also to take this opportunity and to express, once again, Palau's Government's appreciation for your company's generous donations of Baseball Equipment (3 sets) for high school students in Palau. These donations are very timely, as just recently, myself and the Minister of Education had agreed and decided to arrange for an inter-scholastic baseball tournament for all the high schools in Palau, and the said baseball equipments are very much needed.

Your company's continued support and friendship over the years is clear testament of the special relationship existing between Palau and Japan and its people and corporate citizens, and Palau is very grateful for that.

Once again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,



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