

Translation

September 9, 2016

His Excellency Mr. Kim Jong-un
Chairman of the State Affairs Commission
Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Dear Mr. Chairman,

Abolition of nuclear weapons and realization of eternal peace is the earnest wish of the people of Japan, the only nation in the world that suffered from the atomic bombings. It is also a sincere wish of the 9.1 million citizens of Kanagawa Prefecture.

Today, on September 9, your country carried out nuclear tests. This repeated act of outrage, conducted following the nuclear tests in January, constitutes a grave threat to peace and stability of Japan, North East Asia and the international society. Your conduct also tramples upon the international call for the world's peace and stability. Thus, we feel strong indignation, and make a serious protest.

Kanagawa Prefecture and all municipalities within the prefecture hereby strongly demand that your country keenly realize the responsibility of its conduct, and never repeat the nuclear test in the future.

Sincerely yours,

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Governor of Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan

Yoshiyuki Furuya
Chairperson of the Kanagawa Prefecture Association of City Mayors

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Chairperson of the Kanagawa Prefecture Towns and Village Association