Kyrgyz National Day Special

Toward stronger friendship and cooperation

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Through the columns of The Japan Times, on the occasion of the Independence Day of the Kyrgyz Republic, I would like to extend my best wishes to Their Imperial Majesties Emperor

Naruhito and Empress Masako, the government and the friendly people of Japan.

I welcome this opportunity to congratulate my countrymen on this happy occasion. I would also like to congratulate our citizens who are celebrating this day far from home. I am sure that wherever they are, our compatriots will remain true patriots of their country, not indifferent to its future. I wish all our people peace and harmony, happiness and prosperity.

Independence Day is a symbol of national unity, harmony and responsibility for the present and the future of our country.

Since the establishment of diplomatic relations after the independence of the Kyrgyz Republic, good relations have been established between the Kyrgyz Republic and Japan. Last year, we celebrated the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations, and I would like to express my hope that our bonds will further develop. Ever since we attained independence, Japan has been cooperating with us in the field of strengthening statehood, including human resource development. The Kyrgyz Republic is a friendly country with which Japan has been developing a mutually beneficial partnership for many years.

The Embassy of the Kyrgyz Republic in Japan welcomes tourists, students and others who wish to visit our country. In my capacity as ambassador of the Kyrgyz Republic to Japan, I would like to reiterate



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my commitment to contribute to the further strengthening and development of the ties of friendship and cooperation between the Kyrgyz Republic and Japan.

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