

Armenia National Day Special

Opportunity to collaborate and invest

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Celebrated on Sept. 21, Armenia's Independence Day holds immense significance, as it marks the moment when, in 1991, we regained our long-cherished freedom and the right to determine our destiny as a sovereign state.

Our journey toward independence was a culmination of the aspirations of generations of Armenians who dreamed of a free and democratic homeland. It was a testament to the resilience, courage and unwavering spirit of the people, who faced numerous challenges and emerged stronger each time through unity and determination. Armenia has a rich cultural heritage that spans millennia. Our ancient traditions, diverse culture and unique language are integral parts of our national identity. On this day, we celebrate not only our political

independence but also the preservation of our rich cultural heritage, which continues to thrive and inspire the world.

Armenia is a nation committed to democracy, human rights and the rule of law. We have made significant strides in building a strong and inclusive society, bolstering cooperation with democratic countries around the globe. We value the role of the international community in promoting peace, stability and cooperation in our region.

The relationship between Armenia and Japan has grown steadily. Though separated by great distance, our shared democratic values and aspirations have brought us closer together. Our diplomatic ties have evolved and strengthened, paving the way for mutual understanding, cooperation and friendship. Cultural exchanges have played an essential role in connecting our societies, and Japan's appreciation for Armenian music and art has deepened cultural bonds.

The potential for growth in our relations remains promising. Collaboration in technology and innovation can amplify our economies, while strengthening ties in science and research will create new chances

for advancement. I hope the first Armenian-Japanese business forum held this summer will foster economic ties, opening new avenues for business and investment.

Representatives of the information and communication technology sector of Armenia and Japan enjoy fruitful cooperation and we look forward to more intense collaboration in this field. I am happy to note that recently more Armenian products have entered and gained footholds in the Japanese market, thus contributing to the increase of bilateral trade turnover.

We also are witnessing a growing interest in Armenia among Japanese tourists. Once again, we extend our invitation to visit Armenia, which has a rich history, unique culture, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, exquisite cuisine and beautiful nature.

On this festive occasion, we wish peace and prosperity to the people of Japan and all the readers of The Japan Times.

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The Temple of Garni is a popular tourist attraction and was built in the first century in the village of Garni. EMBASSY OF ARMENIA

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to the People of the Republic of Armenia
on the Anniversary of Their Independence



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