
Guinea National Day Special

Gratitude for developmental support

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On this commemorative date of Oct. 2, marking the 64th anniversary of Guinea's accession to independence and international sovereignty, on behalf of myself, the people of Guinea,

President Mamady Doumbouya and the government, I would like to convey my warm greetings to Their Majesties Emperor Naruhito and Empress Masako, the imperial family, the government and the people of Japan.

This moment gives me the opportunity to present, on behalf of the Guinean government and its people, our deepest condolences following the tragic death of former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe,

snatched from our affection so early. Guinea will remember a great friend and an atypical statesman whose contribution to the influence of Japan on the international scene was immense, in particular his Abenomics policy that reinvigorated the Japanese economy.

Guinea will also remember Abe's contribution to its development process and to the well-being of the Guinean population.

I would also like to magnify the excellent relations of friendship and cooperation that fortunately exist between Guinea and Japan in the light of the invaluable support that the latter has continued to provide to our country since its independence. Therefore, it is a great honor for us to express our deep gratitude and our sincere thanks to Japan, which has accompanied us during these long years by celebrating our moments of joy and compassion during our moments of trial.

The Republic of Guinea cannot spare any effort to consolidate and strengthen



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the axis of Conakry-Tokyo cooperation.

As a final word, I would like to express my deep gratitude and sincere thanks to The Japan Times for the opportunity offered each year to share with its many readers the progress made by the Republic of Guinea.

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