Iran National Day Special

Strong ties for partnership, prosperity

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Feb. 11 marks the 46th anniversary of the Islamic Revolution, the National Day of the Islamic Republic of Iran. On this auspicious occasion, I extend my warmest felicitations to the Iranian com-

munity and friends of Iran in Japan, as well as to the officials with whom I've had the pleasure of collaborating.

The 1979 revolution ushered in an unprecedented era in Iran's history. Our nation, united in its quest for independence, collectively participated in shaping its own destiny, under the guidance of Ayatollah Khomeini. The evolving republic endured persistent external trials afterward. A rancorous imposed war, followed by the inhumane sonata of maximum sanctions, indiscriminately severed our lives and economic growth. Yet, our nation's unbreakable

civilizational resilience persevered under the leadership of Ayatollah Khamenei.

Forged from its trials, the nation cultivated a vibrant tapestry of opportunities. Leveraging its talent and abundant resources, Iran has made notable advances in science and technology, with recognized breakthroughs in nanotechnology, biotechnology, nuclear medicine, aerospace, stem cell therapy, robotic surgery and organ transplantation.

Digitalization is already transforming our lives. A thriving startup ecosystem embraces future technologies. Notably, this dynamism couldn't have been achieved without the significant role played by women.

Possessing the world's second-largest gas reserves, Iran is uniquely positioned to address global energy imbalances, and we seek significant energy sector investment through partnerships.

Iran's foreign policy engages in diplomacy and multilateralism to foster peace and stability. Iran has never initiated aggression against another country, but when assaulted, it has responded with resolve.

Iran has consistently honored its obliga-

tions under international agreements. This conveys that respectful diplomacy is the only viable path for engagement with Iran.

Across the vast canvas of Eastern civilization, the vibrant tapestry of the Silk Road has fostered a history of respectful relations between Iran and Japan. The Nissho Maru saga during Iran's oil nationalization, is a testament to this. Our guests, who grace our monthly cultural events, express profound respect for the Iranian nation — a sentiment we warmly reciprocate.

As we celebrate the 96th anniversary of diplomatic relations, we acknowledge the significant strides made in our partnership, leveraging our abundant resources, human capital and cooperation in science and technology. We eagerly anticipate energizing these connections. I'm confident that our partnership will deepen, contributing to the prosperity of our nations and to a peaceful world.

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People take part in an election at the Hosseinieh Ershad mosque in July. ${\tt EMBASSY}$ OF IRAN

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on the Occasion of the Anniversary of the Glorious Islamic Revolution of Iran



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