
Guinea National Day Special

Looking toward the younger generation

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On Oct. 2, the Republic of Guinea will celebrate the 68th anniversary of its independence, proclaimed in 1958. This date marks far more than a historical memory; it embodies a people's

determination to chart their own path grounded in dignity, sovereignty and national unity.

This year, Guinea has chosen the theme “Drawing inspiration from the past to build the future together: our youth” for this commemoration. This choice reflects the Guinean government's conviction that the nation's future rests on the commitment, education and creativity of its youth.

On behalf of the government and people

of Guinea, I wish to express our deep gratitude to the state and people of Japan for their enduring friendship and invaluable support. Since the establishment of diplomatic relations, and through initiatives such as the Tokyo International Conference on African Development and bilateral cooperation, Japan has supported Guinea in key sectors: infrastructure, health, education, agriculture and governance. Japan also notably supports the training of Guinean professionals through scholarships and technical cooperation programs — areas that directly benefit our population, especially the younger members.

We seek the greater involvement of Japanese companies and technologies in our national projects and aspire to deepen cooperation on innovation, human resource development and private-sector investment.

Guinea is currently making significant strides. The country is committed to implementing the Simandou 2040 program, an

ambitious vision aimed at transforming national mineral resources into a sustainable engine for economic and social development benefiting all generations, particularly its youth.

On the occasion of this national holiday, the Embassy of the Republic of Guinea in Japan reaffirms its commitment to deepening the bonds of friendship and cooperation between our countries.

We also extend our greetings to the many young Guineans living and working in Japan. Furthermore, we thank The Japan Times for partnering with us each year on publications marking our independence anniversary.

Long live the friendship between Guinea and Japan!

Long live the Republic of Guinea!

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