Burkina Faso National Day Special

Various national achievements point to a brighter future

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Diplomacy, which aims to build bridges between states for the purpose of closer collaboration and harmonization of their interests, remains as the way par excellence for strengthening friendship and cooperation between peoples.

The Embassy of Burkina Faso in Japan was a privileged witness of this assertion of diplomacy materialized by the official visit to Japan of His Excellency Roch Marc



Christian Kabore. president of Burkina Faso, from Nov. 18 to 22. The visit also saw the successful organization of the Burkina Faso-Japan Business Forum that was attended by more than 300

participants from the business world of Burkina Faso and Japan on Nov. 19 at the headquarters of the Japan External Trade

> President Roch Marc Christian Kabore speaks at the Burkina **Faso-Japan Business** Forum held at the Japan External Trade **Organization** in Tokvo on Nov. 19. JAPAN EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION

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The official visit of Kabore to Japan this year has been a good opportunity for Burkina Faso because Japan celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Meiji Era (1868-1912), which laid the foundations of its political and socioeconomic development, making this country a true world power.

Burkina Faso, a land of upstanding people, celebrates the 58th anniversary of its independence on Dec. 11 under the theme "Good governance and social equity for a strong and prosperous nation." The country also aims to endow what it deems necessary for its socioeconomic development and influence on the international scene.

Japan as a model of economic and social development is a source of inspiration for Burkina Faso, in which the government's vision is to meet the challenges facing the country in terms of strengthening democratic institutions — a real guarantee of social justice for people to build together a united and prosperous nation.

The jurisdiction of the Embassy of Burkina Faso in Japan will take this opportunity while welcoming the positive spin-offs of this visit and the forum of busi-



nessmen to greet the prime minister. members of the government and all the people of Japan for good cooperation and for the strengthening of ties of friendship between Iapan and Burkina Faso.

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President Roch Marc Christian Kabore and **Prime Minister** Shinzo Abe shake hands at their meeting in Tokyo on Nov. 19. GOVERNMENT OF BURKINA FASO

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to the People of

Burkina Faso

on the 58th Anniversary of

Their Independence

Cooperation through Projects in the Environmental Sector



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