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Press Release

Reception for Emperor of Japan's 60th Birthday

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On Monday, 24 February 2020, the Embassy of Japan in the Republic of the Marshall Islands hosted a reception for the celebration of the 60th birthday of His Majesty NARUHITO, Emperor of Japan, attended by Honorable Mr. Kenneth Kedi, Speaker of the Nitijela, Honorable Mr. Christopher J. Loeak, Minister in Assistance to the President and Environment, Honorable Mr. Casten Ned Nemra, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Cabinet Ministers, Honorable Irojilaplap and Senator Michael M. Kabua, Members of the Council of Iroj, Senators, diplomatic corps, government officials, and other partners.

During the reception held at the Marshall Islands Resort Hotel, His Excellency Mr. Norio Saito, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, delivered the welcoming remarks expressing his heartfelt gratitude to the participants for joining the people of Japan to congratulate His Majesty NARUHITO, the Emperor of Japan upon His Majesty's 60th birthday that was on 23 February 2020.

Furthermore, H.E. Ambassador Saito mentioned that the Republic of the Marshall Islands has been an important partner of Japan with deep ties nurtured in over 100 years of history between the two countries, highlighting the increased bilateral visits of high-level representatives from both countries, including the first-ever official visit of His Excellency Mr. Taro Kono, Former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan to the Republic of the Marshall Islands in August 2019 and the attendance of Her Excellency Dr. Hilida C. Heine, Former President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands to the ceremonies of the Enthronement of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, held in October 2019.

Honorable Mr. Casten Ned Nemra, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, on behalf of the Government and the people of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, congratulated the 60th birthday of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan. Minister Nemra also extended his appreciation for Japan's long years of cooperation and partnership investing in various areas, including active people-to-people exchanges at the grassroots level.

Japan and the Republic of the Marshall Islands have deepened cooperative relationship for more than 30 years, since the establishment of diplomatic relation between the two countries in 1988 under the reign of late President Amata Kabua, First President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Furthermore, Japan and the Republic of the Marshall Islands have been neighbors in the Pacific and friends sharing over 100-year historical ties.

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