

Dear Madam or Sir:

May 15th, 2011

It is our greatest pleasure to inform you “YONEX Cup International Friendship Ladies Badminton Tournament 2011 ” that association of Nippon Badminton Association and Nippon Ladies Badminton Confederation sponsors by enclosure.

In this tournament, we invite woman teams loving badminton from the whole world to Japan Osaka with an aim by the development of woman sports. We hope to spread the ring of the international exchange with a global viewpoint and deepen a friendship through sports. This tournament had the official recognition of Badminton World Federation (BWF) in 2009. It had also received the authorization of Nippon Badminton Association and the support of Osaka Prefecture, Asahi Shimbun, and the other many groups in Japan.

This time Japan took an unprecedented earthquake and the crushing damage by the tsunami. Meanwhile, we deeply thank for the countries in the world having given great support. Japan gives all power of the country and tries for revival now. Fortunately, the tournament site, Kansai Osaka area, was not damaged at all, and we are making an effort for safe administration preparations. Through the badminton competition, we want to send cheerful energy to the stricken area. We hope that the team of your country participate in peace, and please send hearty cheers to Japan.

With our best wishes always,

Sincerely yours,

President, Nippon Badminton Association

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Nippon Ladies Badminton Confederation

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