



## **Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats**

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**Hon. Yukio Hatoyama**

President  
Democratic Party of Japan  
Tokyo, Japan

Dear Honorable Hatoyama:

On behalf of the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats, I would like to extend our warmest congratulations to the Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) for the inspiring landslide victory in the last August 30, 2009 elections. We are proud of the fact that the genuine change DPJ envisions for Japan will finally take its course.

After 50 years of almost uninterrupted rule by the outgoing party, we laud the DPJ for unceasingly embracing the hope to change the government and reform the bureaucracy. We likewise comment the people for enduring the courage and resolve in reclaiming Japan's true democratic legacy.

This election showed a high voter turnout which reflected the people's clamor for a new leadership and a new beginning.

CALD is confident that through your leadership, in a DPJ-led government, Japan will be able to restore economic growth and strengthen the democratic institutions of good governance and the rule of law.

Once again, we send our very best wishes and felicitations. We look forward to seeing you again in future CALD events.

Sincerely yours,

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