Chief Exective's Message Regarding the 2011 Tohoku-Pacific Ocean Earthquake

Mar. 23, 2011

On March 11, the Tohoku and North Kanto Region in Japan was hit by the 2011 Tohoku-Pacific

Ocean Earthquake, the largest earthquake in the history of Japan.

We, IAJapan, would like to offer our deepest condolences to the persons affected by this

catastrophe.

We believe and pray fervently that the people and enterprises in the stricken region will be able

to return to their normal lives and activities as soon as the region is able to recover.

We have received so many kindest messages and encouragement from our friends in foreign

countries, and we are most grateful for all the warmest offer and support that we have been

shown.

Fortunately, IAJapan does not have any damages and the injured among our staff but our

parent organization NITE temporarily closes a domestic office in Sendai which is located in the

stricken region. Please understand that under this circumstance, some work will be temporarily

delayed and some of our accredited laboratories in the stricken region may temporarily close

their business because of the disaster; however, IAJapan can continue to conduct all necessary

business as usual and will support the laboratories as much as we can. We apologize in advance

for any inconvenience these circumstances may cause.

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