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Secretary Kenneth Detzner Leads Florida Delegation to the 40th Annual SEUS/Japan Joint Meeting in Greenville, SC

Florida Secretary of State Kenneth Detzner officially led the Florida Delegation of 38 delegates to the 40th Annual Joint Meeting of Southeast U.S.-Japan and Japan-U.S. Southeast Associations. Florida Delegation Chairman, Keith A. Norden, served as co-delegation leader.

"Secretary Detzner previously did an outstanding job of leading the Florida Delegation to Japan in both 2016 and 2012, and was well received by the host delegation once again this year in Greenville," remarked Florida Delegation Executive Director, Dave Woodward. Florida Delegation successfully organized, planned and coordinated Florida's official participation in this year's Annual Joint Meeting that was held in Greenville, SC at the Hyatt Regency Hotel this past October 22-24, working closely with Enterprise Florida.

The conference, which is designed to promote and strengthen business, economic, education, tourism and friendship ties between the Southeast member states and Japan, was well attended with a total of some 470 SEUS/Japan and Japan-U.S. Southeast delegates and guests along with heads of delegation for each of the SEUS member states and Japan delegations. U.S. Ambassador participated as a keynote speaker during the welcome reception held on October 22. Ms. Minor Shaw, President, Micco LLC chaired this year's joint meeting and Mr.

Teruo Asada, Chairman, Marubeni Corporation, Tokyo, served as the meeting's Japan-U.S. Southeast Delegation Leader and Co-chairman. Ms. Minor Mickel Shaw, President, Micco LLC served as the meeting's Conference & Association Chair. The Japanese Ambassador to the U.S. served as the first keynote speaker on October 23, and the President and CEO of GE served as the luncheon keynote speaker. Ambassador Jim Zumwalt, CEO, Sasakawa Peace Foundation, Former Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo delivered the keynote address on October 24, immediately before the closing ceremony.

From the Japan side, the Japanese Consul General from Miami, and other high-level Japanese officials and top business leaders took part in the conference. The conference program included a golf tournament, sightseeing tours, networking receptions, meals, entertainment and informative plenary and breakout sessions on trade, investment, alternative energy and tourism.

Panel Session II on U.S.-Japan Bilateral Relations featured Florida delegate, Dr. Douglas Trelfa, Ph.D., Director of the Japan Center & Japan Linkages Institute at the University of West Florida as a panelist.

The Florida Delegation held its annual meeting



Florida Delegation Leader, Florida Secretary of State Ken Detzner (right), during the opening ceremony of the 40th Annual SEUS/Japan Joint Meeting in Greenville, SC, October 23, 2017.

of members in conjunction with the joint meeting on the afternoon of October 22, immediately prior to a welcome reception for all participating SEUS and Japan delegates. This important annual joint meeting between Japan, Florida and the six other Southeast U.S. member states provided a unique opportunity for delegates to renew, expand as develop business and friendship ties with Japan's top business and economic development leaders, and for SEUS/JAPAN to further its mission.

Dates Announced for 41st Annual Joint Meeting

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The New Otani Hotel, Tokyo, the selected venue of the 41st Annual SEUS/Japan Joint Meeting, which will be held Oct. 18-20, 2018. The New Otani is located in the Yotsuya and Akasaka areas of Tokyo, and has been the joint meeting venue in many previous years.

The dates and venue for the 41st Annual Joint Meeting of the Japan-U.S. Southeast and Southeast U.S.-Japan Associations were announced at the close of the 40th Annual SEUS/Japan joint meeting held last month in Greenville, SC (see article above).

The 41st Annual Joint Meeting will be held in Tokyo, Japan from October 18-20, 2018 at the New Otani Hotel. Marubeni Corp. will continue as the Japan host company, and South Carolina will be the co-host state.

Please see the save the dates flyer on the back page of this newsletter, and mark your calendar now. More details will be announced as they become available.

40th Annual SEUS/Japan Official Joint Statement Text

40th ANNUAL JOINT MEETING OF THE JAPAN-U.S. SOUTHEAST & SOUTHEAST U.S.-JAPAN ASSOCIATIONS

October 22-24, 2017
Hyatt Regency Hotel

Greenville, South Carolina

The Japan-U.S. Southeast Association and the Southeast U.S.-Japan Association held their 40th Annual Joint Meeting in Greenville, South Carolina on October 22 to 24, 2017, with the theme of "Success through Tradition, Innovation and Partnerships." The Chairmen presiding over the meeting were SEUS Chairman, Ms. Minor M. Shaw, and the Japan Chairman, Mr. Teruo Asada. 73 Japanese and 393 American delegates participated this year for a total of 466 delegates.

At the Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner On Sunday evening, the new U.S. Ambassador to Japan, Bill Hagerty, made remarks to the audience. He was introduced by Governor Bill Haslam of Tennessee who was traveling with Ambassador Hagerty. Commissioner Bob Rolfe served as delegation leader for Tennessee since Governor Haslam was only able to attend the Gala Dinner with Ambassador Hagerty.

The SEUS delegations were led by the Honorable Henry McMaster, Governor, State of South Carolina, this year's host state; the Honorable Phil Bryant, Governor, State of Mississippi; the Honorable Roy Cooper, Governor, State of North Carolina; Mr. Greg Canfield, Secretary of Commerce, State of Alabama; Mr. Ken Detzner, Secretary of State, State of Florida; Ms. Gretchen Corbin, Commissioner, Technical College System of Georgia; and Mr. Bob Rolfe, Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development.

His Excellency, Kenichiro Sasae, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plen-



Florida Delegation Leader, Secretary of State Ken Detzner (7th from right), in photo with other SEUS heads of delegation, including host state Governor Henry McMaster of South Carolina (5th from right), Conference Co-Chairs, Ms. Minor M. Shaw (center, left) Mr. Teruo Asada (center, right) and Japan's Ambassador to the U.S., His Excellency Kenichiro Sasae (3rd from left) and the Consul General of Japan in Miami, Ken Okaniwa (2nd from right) two other Consuls General of Japan in the U.S. along and other VIPs. For a complete list of heads of delegation, speakers and other VIPs, please see the complete joint statement, below.

ipotentiary of Japan to the United States of America, served as the opening keynote speaker. Additional VIPs attending the conference included: the Honorable Takashi Shinozuka, Consul General of Japan in Atlanta, Georgia; the Honorable Masami Kinefuchi, Consul General of Japan in Nashville, Tennessee; and the Honorable Ken Okaniwa, Consul General of Japan in Miami, Florida.

In the Opening Ceremony, held in the Hyatt Regency Ballroom, Chairman Shaw began the Joint Meeting by recognizing the benefits of this conference that strengthen our opportunities for building on existing relationships and creating new ones.

Panel members in the second panel session that afternoon, "U.S.-Japan Bilateral Relations — Where Are We Headed?" provided insights into where Japan's and the United States' economic and political relationship is now, and where that relationship might go in the near future given the geopolitical environment in Asia, and a new U.S. Administration. Panel members included: moderator Mr. Barry Hager, President, Hager Associates; Mr. Tetsuo Ogawa, Managing Officer, Toyota Motor Corporation; Mr. Keisuke Yokoo, Vice Chairman and President, Keizai Doyukai; Dr.

Mark Manyin, Ph.D., Congressional Research Service; Mr. Tetsuhide Mikamo, Counsellor, Marubeni Research Institute; and Dr. Douglas Trelfa, Ph.D., Director, Japan Center and Japan Linkages Institute, University of West Florida.

Tuesday, October 24th, began with a closing keynote address by Ambassador Jim Zumwalt, Chief Executive Officer of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, U.S.A., former U.S. Ambassador to Senegal and Guinea Bissau, and former Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. Ambassador Zumwalt's remarks focused on the strong and important U.S.-Japan trade and investment relationship, while skillfully discussing the sensitive geopolitical issues that are occurring in Asia. After Ambassador Zumwalt's presentation, the audience heard remarks from the Honorable Masami Kinefuchi, Consul General of Japan in Nashville, Tennessee, and the Honorable Ken Okaniwa, Consul General of Japan in Miami, Florida.

Throughout the program, participants exchanged views and opinions with our guest experts and delegates, and deepened our understanding on the issues of mutual interest, ranging from the economy, trade and investment, to empowering partnerships both individually and collectively. Both Associations reaffirmed their commitment to work together in partnership for the further strengthening of the ties between Japan and the Southeast U.S. states and to continue the tradition of this partnership toward the innovative growth of the Japanese and U.S. economies, as well as that of the entire globe.

In the Closing Ceremony, it was announced that the 41st Annual Joint Meeting will be held at the New Otani Hotel, Tokyo Oct.18-20, 2018.

[See save the dates flyer on back page.]

SoftBank Dropping Effort to Merge Sprint With T-Mobile

For the second time in three years, Sprint Corp. is preparing to leave T-Mobile US Inc. at the altar after months of negotiations to bring together the two U.S. wireless providers. The two sides have been exploring a deal that would combine the No. 3 and No. 4 U.S. carriers by subscribers, seeking to create a player big enough to challenge the market leaders in a rapidly changing telecommunications and media landscape. But directors at Sprint's parent company, SoftBank Group Corp. met in Tokyo last week and decided to suspend the merger efforts, according to people familiar with the matter. Officials at T-Mobile were caught off guard by the development, said others familiar with the matter.

SoftBank's founder and chairman, Masayoshi Son, is concerned about giving up too much control in the potential transaction, said the people familiar with the break-down in the talks. The two sides also have been unable to agree on a valuation for Sprint's shares, they added, though the talks still could be revived at a later date.

SoftBank, which owns more than 80% of Sprint, had been in negotiations with T-Mobile's parent Deutsche Telekom AG on an all-stock deal that would give the German firm control over the combined U.S. company, said the people familiar with the suspension of the talks. Sprint shares tumbled Monday after the Nikkei newspaper in Japan reported that SoftBank planned to break off negotiations with Deutsche Telekom. Sprint shares fell 9% to \$6.34, while T-Mobile dropped 5.4% to \$59.58 in Monday afternoon trading. Shares of Verizon Communications Inc. and AT&T Inc., the two biggest U.S. carriers, slipped Monday, as investors were hopeful the merger would have reduced competitive pressures.

Sprint, which has a market value of about \$25 billion and more than \$30 billion in net debt, has been losing money for years and has had to leverage some of its network assets to obtain cheaper loans. T-Mobile's market value is about \$50 billion. One complicating factor in the talks is that Sprint shares have slumped in recent weeks, potentially hampering what Sprint shareholders could expect to receive in the deal, as the transaction was expected to give Sprint shareholders little or no premium beyond roughly their current value. Instead of a merger, Sprint plans to invest in its network, said one of the people familiar with the break-down in the talks who is close to Sprint.

The latest discussions have been rocky. Back in May Mr. Son opened a second line of discussions with U.S. cable companies after the talks with Deutsche Telekom faltered over issues including price. The Wall Street Journal has reported. A decision to walk away from the T-Mobile deal would echo the last time the two companies explored a merger, in 2014. Sprint was poised to acquire T-Mobile but scrapped the plan after realizing regulators were sure to oppose it.

In the current discussions, T-Mobile Chief Executive John Legere was expected to run the merged company, and Deutsche Telekom wanted to maintain effective control of the carrier so it could include its U.S. earnings in quarterly reports. The Wall Street Journal has reported.

In this case, the SoftBank board thought giving up so much influence was unwise, given Mr. Son's belief that artificially intelligent robots and other devices are a major business opportunity and connectivity of those devices will be critical, said people familiar with the merger talks who know about the thinking of the SoftBank board.

Sprint CEO Marcelo Claure is also on SoftBank's board.

While Mr. Son had agreed to give up control in principle, he had been looking for ways to maintain some sort of additional influence now or in the future, said the people familiar with the SoftBank board's thinking.

Since the companies broke off merger talks in 2014, T-Mobile has added millions of new subscribers and passed Sprint to become the third largest carrier. While Sprint was able to reverse years of customer losses, it has struggled to turn a profit.

Without a merger, Sprint will need to ratchet up spending on its network because, analysts say, they have spent far less than their rivals. In recent months, some Sprint managers have considered scaling back major internal investments because T-Mobile was expected to run the combined company, according to Sprint employees.

If a deal had been reached, its antitrust approval in Washington was far from assured. Republican regulators under the Trump administration are thought to be more open to consolidation than those in the Obama years, but horizontal mergers that eliminate a competitor, especially in already concentrated markets, typically face significant scrutiny.

"Sprint needs this merger so much more than T-Mobile does," Recon Analytics Inc. researcher Roger Entner said, adding that if they come back to it later, "T-Mobile and Deutsche Telekom will in all likelihood be in a stronger position."

Source: Wall Street Journal 10-30-17

Japanese Business Execs Wrap Up County Visit for Aviation Summit

A delegation of Japanese business executives wrapped up a two-day visit to Palm Beach County on Thursday with hopes of generating aviation-related deals and commerce. But local economic development officials also hope the Florida-Japan Aerospace and Aviation Summit at the Hilton West Palm Beach will generate leads for Florida's burgeoning aviation sector, and Palm Beach County aviation sector companies in particular.

Manny Mencia, senior vice president for Enterprise Florida, the state's public-private business development agency, told the visiting group that the aviation industry in Florida has historic underpinnings. Specifically, he pointed to Pan American Airways launching commercial service out of South Florida roughly 100 years ago and Cape Canaveral serving as the launch pad for America's

space program. Today, Mencia noted, there are 2,300 aerospace and aviation businesses in the state employing 85,000 Floridians. Palm Beach County, in particular, is an aviation hub, officials said.

Led by Pratt & Whitney, B/E Aerospace and others, the county is home to 1,300 aviation, aerospace and engineering firms employing 17,000 people. "It's a very big cluster, and very dynamic," Mencia said of the state's aerospace and aviation industries. "And it's growing exponentially." The 18 Japanese officials representing 12 companies listened intently.

Norikazu Mori, chief executive director of the Japanese external trade organization JETRO, said the goal of the summit was to network. He noted that many Japanese aviation companies are small, and they are looking to fill roles

as vendors supplying key parts and components to larger manufacturers.

As such, rather than spending time touring factories, the bulk of their time here was spent in speed networking sessions where the visiting Japanese company officials were introduced to representatives from 100 local firms in one-on-one sessions. The Business Development Board of the Palm Beaches and the Japanese consulate in Miami also partnered with Enterprise Florida and JETRO to organize the event.

Palm Beach County Mayor Paulette Burdick greeted the delegation during a luncheon Thursday, also extolling the county as a "friendly and welcoming" aviation and aerospace hub.

Source: The Palm Beach Post 10-26-17

President Trump Presses Japan on North Korea and Trade...After Some Golf



President Donald Trump (front, left) golfing with Prime Minister Shinzo Abe (right) and professional golfer Hideki Matsuyama (center) at the Kasumigaseki Country Club on Sunday, November 5, 2017

President Donald Trump opened his 10-day swing through Asia with some of the familiar trappings from home: donning a leather bomber jacket before addressing U.S. troops stationed in Japan and golfing nine holes with Prime Minister Shinzo Abe.

Things become more rigorous Monday, as Messrs. Trump and Abe hold more formal talks and a joint news conference. White House officials said they decided to open the highly anticipated Asia tour in Japan on purpose: the two leaders both agree on the need to increase pressure on North Korea to abandon its nuclear weapons program. That is the priority during his time in Asia, the president has said. Ahead of the high-stakes talks, the two world leaders kept things lighthearted. Signaling his interest in maintaining a close relationship with the American president, Mr. Abe presented Mr. Trump with a white hat with gold letters that read: "Donald and Shinzo Make Alliance Even Great-

er." The caps recalled Mr. Trump's popular red campaign hats with the slogan, "Make America Great Again."

"Our relationship is really extraordinary," Mr. Trump said before dinner with Mr. Abe at Ginza Ukai-tei in Tokyo. "We like each other, and our countries like each other. And I don't think we've ever been closer to Japan than we are right now." Mr. Trump said the dinner conversation would focus on trade, and the topic is expected to continue to be a focus on Monday. However there have been mixed messages coming from both sides about how much time will be spent talking about trade. White House officials said that trade will be discussed, while Japanese officials say there are no specific plans. The two countries will also touch upon ways for Japan to expand its defense capabilities and trilateral cooperation between the U.S., Japan and South Korea, including anti-submarine warfare and ballistic missile defense, a White House official said. The nations also are looking to tighten cooperation around cybersecurity, the official said, and will discuss national security, economics, health and scientific and cultural cooperation.

Kurt Campbell, a former assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, said Mr. Abe has successfully focused Mr. Trump on North Korea, and less on bilateral trade. "The primary focus will be on engagement between these two leaders and focus on the regional issues," said Kurt Campbell. But from the Japanese perspective they hope that the president won't push too hard on specifics around a still-expanding trade imbalance between the U.S. and Japan." On Monday, Mr. Trump will meet with U.S. and Japanese business leaders at the U.S. embassy in Tokyo, and visit the Imperial Palace, where he'll meet with Emperor Akihito.

He'll attend an Honor Guard ceremony, and have a working lunch with Mr. Abe. The president also will meet with families of Japanese citizens that the government says were abducted by North Korea. The cause is a priority of Mr. Abe's, and Mr. Trump has expressed his own interest in returning the men and women to Japan. From Japan, Mr. Trump will continue to South Korea on Tuesday and China later in the week. He finishes the trip with multinational conferences in Vietnam and the Philippines.

During the flight to Tokyo from Honolulu, Mr. Trump said pressure on North Korea was his priority, and he also wanted to take steps to narrow U.S. trade deficits in Asia. U.S. officials will push Japan to lobby other countries to increase pressure on North Korea, a U.S. State Department official said. "Japan is really in lockstep on this, so what we'll do is ask those countries in turn to go and fan out and start pounding other countries in tandem with us so that is going to be a lot of what the conversations with individual leaders is going to be focused on," the official said.

Mr. Trump arrived in Tokyo in high spirits. In Hawaii on Friday, Mr. Trump spoke enthusiastically about a visit to the U.S. Arizona Memorial, a shrine to the 1,177 crewmen who died during the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor. "I've read about, spoken about, heard about, studied, but I haven't seen" Pearl Harbor, he told reporters on Friday. "That is going to be very exciting for me." He also was anticipating golf on Sunday with professional golfer Hideki Matsuyama, who he referred to as "the greatest player in the history of Japan—possibly their greatest celebrity." Mr. Abe joined the pair for nine holes at Kasumigaseki Country Club, but didn't keep score, a White House official said.

Source: *The Wall Street Journal* 11-6-17

Ivanka Trump speaks at the World Assembly for Women in Tokyo



First Daughter and Assistant to the President, Ivanka Trump, speaking at the World Assembly for Women on November 3, 2017 in Tokyo.

Ivanka Trump said at a Tokyo conference on women's advancement Friday that harassment of women in the workplace cannot be tolerated.

The U.S. president's daughter and adviser spoke at the World Assembly for Women amid growing attention to sexual harassment of women in Hollywood and other industries in the United States. "All too often, our workplace culture fails to treat women with appropriate

respect," she said. "This takes many forms including harassment which can never be tolerated." She did not give examples. In her speech, she also said workplaces need to make further efforts to respect women's values and accommodate the need for balance between work.

Despite the increase in the percentage of women at workplaces, corporate expectations have remained "stagnant" and still operate on "a single-honor mindset" with expectations for mothers to stay home to provide fulltime care, she said. It "disproportionately" impacts women and most likely causes them to leave jobs or curtail ambitions due to lack of affordable care for children or relatives who can help, she said, calling for innovative ways to make it easier for women to enjoy motherhood without compromising their careers. "This isn't a woman's issue, it's a family issue," she said.

Ivanka Trump came to Japan at the invitation of Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and is set to leave one day before her father arrives here Sunday. Ivanka Trump and Abe were to have dinner at a Japanese restaurant later Friday.

The conference is part of Abe's "womenomics" initiative aimed at encouraging women to join the workforce and promoting their advancement as a way to boost national economic growth. More women have joined the labor force under the Abe government, but the majority of female workers hold part-time or non-regular jobs, while most working men have fulltime jobs. Abe acknowledged that men think they have set the rules and tend to "think inside the box" and he feels "a pain in the heart" as he reflects on his own mindset. "I believe women have a power to break the wall of 'common sense' set by men and pioneer a new era," Abe said, adding that women have the chance to create businesses from a unique perspective.

President Donald Trump starts his first official Asia tour in Japan. Trump will play golf and talk with Abe and meet with Emperor Akihito and relatives of people abducted by North Korea.

Source: *The New York Post* 11-3-17

Cyberdyne Enters into Joint Agreement with Jacksonville based Brooks Rehabilitation



Cyberdyne Inc. CEO, Yoshiyuki Sankai (left) shakes hands with Michael Spiegel (right), President & COO of Brooks Rehabilitation.

Cyberdyne Inc. entered into a basic agreement on a joint business project in the U.S., with Brooks Rehabilitation in Jacksonville, Florida known as one of the nation's prominent rehabilitation medicine groups. Brooks operates one of US's busiest inpatient rehabilitation hospitals with more than 45 years of history. Brooks also provides a full continuum of rehabilitation services including outpatient therapy at 32 locations serving more than 30,000 patients per year, sub-acute and skilled nursing care, and home health, all supported by Brooks Rehabilitation Medical Group.

They also feature many other programs such as the clinical research

center for rehabilitation of stroke, spinal cord injury and other diseases. Spanning its entire group, Brooks treats more than 45,000 patients per year. With this agreement for a joint business project, the Company and Brooks will promote clinical research on Medical HAL in the U.S. in order to spread the use of Cybernic Treatment* across the country. They will also establish a joint venture company to provide Cybernic Treatment service with Medical HAL.

The Company has submitted an application to the United States Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") towards obtaining approval for marketing the Medical HAL as a medical device on June 2017, and the application is currently under review. Medical HAL (Hybrid Assisted Limb, is a new form of Intervention using "Cybernic Technology and advanced robotic technology" to help a patient improve their walking ability and gain other functional and physiological benefits. This agreement was made in anticipation of the Company's business developments in the U.S. after obtaining the market approval for Medical HAL.

Since its establishment as a venture company from the University of Tsukuba in 2004, CYBERDYNE, INC. has promoted the comprehensive development of various Cybernic* Systems (Cybernic devices, Cybernic interfaces, etc.) that utilize Cybernic Technology from research and development to social implementation, aiming to tackle the various issues facing society. The Company has developed business in the fields of medicine, welfare and daily living (including the work environment), and its main product Robot Suit HAL® is widely distributed not only in the medical and welfare fields but also in care support and labor support fields. In addition, new products such as Transport Robots and Cleaning Robots equipped with artificial intelligence and environment recognition functions, HAL Lumbar Type that reduces the load and stress on the lower back, smaller-sized HAL (Single-Joint Type), Vital Sensors for detecting arteriosclerosis and arrhythmia measurements, etc. are continuously being developed.

Source: Cyberdyne.jp 11-14-17

Consul General Okaniwa on Japan-Florida Aerospace Cooperation

Representatives from 23 companies from Japan [were] in Orlando this week [the week of October 23] for the Florida-Japan Aerospace and Aviation Summit. More than 50 entities from Florida will also participate in the summit, and over 130 matchmaking meetings between companies from both sides are planned. The summit, which begins in Orlando, will be followed by two days of one-to-one meetings and site visits to aerospace facilities on the Space Coast and in West Palm Beach.

We worked with JETRO to organize a workshop in Tokyo last September in which Enterprise Florida and Space Florida briefed Japanese companies about the state of the aerospace industry. This summit is a culmination of such efforts. Japan has the largest aerospace industrial market in Asia, and Florida has the second-largest aviation and aerospace industry in the United States. Major Japanese companies such as Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and IHI already do direct business with American firms such as Pratt &

Whitney, Lockheed Martin, Boeing and Northrup Grumman.

More than 130 matchmaking meetings between companies from both sides are planned during the summit. In the short term, Japanese companies are looking to enter the U.S. aerospace market. In the longer term, there will be possibilities of joint R&D, local production and investment in Florida. I also hope the Florida companies can look at possibilities of investing in Japan.

There is strong support from both sides to expand cooperation in this industry...I hope that the summit will be remembered as an important first step in the collaboration between Florida and Japan on aerospace.

Editor's note: the above is an excerpt from a article written by the Hon. Ken Okaniwa, Consul General of Japan in Miami, which was published in the Orlando Sentinel this past Oct. 23. Florida Delegation worked closely with JETRO, the Consulate, Enterprise Florida and Space Florida to help plan, organize and carry out last year's summit program in Tokyo in conjunction with the 39th

Annual SEUS/Japan Joint Meeting.



The Honorable Ken Okaniwa, Consul General of Japan in Miami, speaking at last year's Florida-Japan Aerospace and Aviation Workshop held at JETRO Headquarters Tokyo in conjunction with the 39th Annual SEUS/Japan Joint Meeting held there in September 2016.

Calendar/Upcoming Events

What is Shinto?

Sponsored by the Florida Kyudo Kai,

Talk by Taishi Kato

Date: December 9, 2017

When: 1:30pm

Where: Morikami Theater

For more information, please click [here](#).

Out of the Blue: Japanese Indigo Textiles

Date: October 19, 2017 – January 21, 2018

When: All Day

Where: Morikami Museum & Japanese Gardens

For more information, please click [here](#).

Walk in U.S., Talk on Japan

Date: November 28, 2017

When: 2:00-4:00pm

Where: University of West Florida, Conference Center

11000 University Pkwy, Pensacola, FL 32514

For more information, please click [here](#).



LET'S PRACTICE JAPANESE!

Shall we go to an autumn festival?

秋の祭りに行きましょうか。

Aki no matsuri ni ikimashou-ka?

The weather has gotten cooler.

涼しくなりましたね。

Suzushiku narimashita ne.

The autumn leaves are beautiful!

紅葉が美しいですね!

Koyo ga utsukushi desu ne!



Save the Dates!!!

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