

April 16, 2012.

Dr. Shigeru Katamine President Nagasaki University Nagasaki, Japan

Dear Dr. Katamine:

I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to Nagasaki University on occasion of the establishment of its Research Center for Nuclear Weapons Abolition (RECNA), on April 1, 2012.

Mexico and Nagasaki not only share a long history of friendship, but also a strong commitment in favor of disarmament, non proliferation, and the total and complete elimination of nuclear weapons. An example of Mexico's commitment to this objectives is its continue promotion of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean, best known as the Treaty of Tlatelolco, that established the world's first nuclear weapons free zone. In this respect, Mexico continuously seeks dialogue and cooperation with other nuclear weapons free zones established later, in order to jointly contribute to the goals established by the United Nations in this important field.

The ultimate goal of reaching a world free of nuclear weapons cannot be reached by governments alone. We need the strong support and cooperation of the civil society, scholars and research centers as RECNA, in order to further disseminate our call and explore alternatives in this effort. Therefore, we welcome very much RECNA establishment.

Please be sure that the Embassy will follow RECNA activities, and will be honored to share with it the experience and perspectives of Mexico on this field that is vital to maintain international peace and security.

I look forward to meeting you soon and discussing cooperation opportunities between Mexico and Nagasaki University. Meanwhile, I avail of this opportunity to express to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Claude Heller

Ambassador of Mexico