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Dear **President Tsukamoto**,

Greetings from the Philippine Embassy!

I wish to convey my best wishes on the occasion of the “33rd Clean Coal Day International Symposium 2024 and Energy Security with Decarbonization Symposium 2024” and to reiterate the Embassy’s support in all your endeavors.

The Philippines is an energy-dependent country, with coal remaining a significant source of energy. Thus, we welcome further innovation and the introduction of clean coal technologies that would balance environmental protection and the energy needs of a growing economy. In order to obtain the optimal situation, the Philippines acknowledges that achieving the optimal energy mix is a task that will always have to be handled in an evolving system by determining energy demand, available resources, latest market innovations, and existing legal framework.

It may be recalled that the Philippines’ Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) under the Paris Agreement supported the country’s national objectives and priorities of energy security, sustainable industrial development, poverty eradication and inclusive growth, social and climate justice, and the transformation of the country’s socioeconomic sectors toward a climate and disaster-resilient and low-carbon economy. Thus, the Philippine Government understands the critical need of achieving energy security in the pursuit of these objectives.

We are optimistic that this symposium will greatly contribute to global efforts to create efficient and environment friendly solutions to better utilize coal as a reliable and economical energy source.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Very truly yours,

  
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