## (English translation)

It's my great pleasure to celebrate a newly opening of Nishimura & Asahi Dubai Representative Office in the DIFC today. I also would like to congratulate Lawyer Masao Morishita on his tireless work for making today's fabulous event. For Lawyer Morishita, this year commemorates the 15th anniversary of his joining in Nishimura & Asahi. Today celebrates not only a new establishment of the Representative Office but also the 15 years accumulations of his dedicated service to his law firm. Congratulations.

Three years ago, as the first of its kind, a Japan's largest law firm, Nishimura & Asahi established its Representative Office in Dubai where people love the world first, the world largest and the world best like today's distinguished guests. Nishimura & Asahi has been also proud of its most advanced and the highest level of global legal services provided. As Dubai always brings to us the most advanced technologies as well as the highest level of happiness, Nishimura & Asahi might be a typical darling of company running its business in Dubai.

This year, in January, H.H. Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE an Ruler of Dubai has approved plans to triple the scale of the DIFC district to support the economic future of Dubai. H.H. Sheikh Mohammed also highlights the importance of DIFC, focusing in particular to Emirates's

position as a business capital and a hub for international investment. The plans to triple the scale of the district also expect to enhance the DIFC reputation. So, the newly opening of the Nishimura & Asahi in DIFC could be in parallel with the plans of H.H. Sheikh Mohammad, and conducive to further enhancement of DIFC's glorious reputations.

## Ladies and Gentlemen,

According to the recruitment homepage, Nishimura & Asahi places the highest emphasis on its human asset. Please take a look at Lawyer Morishita. I now introduce you an episode. Last year when I was invited to do the first ball ceremony at the baseball championship game between Dubai and Abu Dhabi Japanese club, I played catch ball with Lawyer Morishita for my warming up. Some months later when we had a reception party of Japanese Business Council in Dubai, he said to me, "I have played catch with the Consul-General, exchanging a ball throw, but we have not yet exchanged our hearts throw between us. Don't misunderstand it. I have a wife and two daughters.

He is such a man of thoughtful devotion, even though it's a little bit unique. He devoted his every energy to every single client, lubricating any interaction with any people, so that he has won the complete trust. According to the brochure, Nishimura & Asahi gains the trust from clients due to the capabilities of its individual member, and the cohesive of the organization. This must be the backbone of the firm's

concept "one-stop solution," as only a full-service law firm with superior lawyers can provide clients in a comprehensive manner.

So, the Japan's best law firm established its representative office at the best matching district, DIFC, having the best devoted lawyer. I can never doubt a glorious success story of Nishimura & Asahi in DIFC. Congratulations again. Thank you.