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Dear Sirs,

We would like to express our sincerest gratitude and deepest appreciation to everyone for the outpouring of support we received after the earthquake and tsunami waves struck the northeast region of Japan on Friday, March 11th.

Although the earthquake caused severe damage to the northeast region of Japan, many other regions, including Nagoya, have not been affected. The convention facilities and hotels in Nagoya continue to be capable of hosting meetings, exhibitions, and other events without any difficulties.

Not only The Centrair Airport, which is the closest international airport to Nagoya, but also other major international gateways such as Narita, and Kansai have been operating as usual, and everyone in Nagoya is ready to welcome AIB in June, 2011.

The Japanese government and Nagoya city will continue to disseminate accurate and appropriate information regarding the situation in Japan, and we will do our best to support the AIB delegates in Nagoya. We hope that you will feel confident in holding your AIB meeting in Nagoya as scheduled.

If you have any concerns about the city area, or specifically about the meeting venue for AIB, please feel free to contact the Japan National Tourism Organization or the Nagoya Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The people of Japan have resolved to overcome these difficult circumstances, and will overcome together as a nation, and as a people. We look forward to welcoming you and your colleagues to Japan soon.

Sincerely yours,

Hiroshi Mizohata
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