Letter of Transmittal

We are pleased to submit to you the basic design study report on the Project for Construction of the International Cooperation and Training Center in the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

This study was conducted by Kume Sekkei Co., Ltd., under a contract to JICA, during the period from February 2002 to July 2002. In conducting the study, we have examined the feasibility and rationale of the project with due consideration to the present situation of Lao and formulated the most appropriate basic design for the project under Japan's grant aid scheme.

Finally, we hope that this report will contribute to further promotion of the project.

Very truly yours,

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