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PREFACE

In response to a request from the Government of the Sultanate of Oman, the Government of Japan decided to conduct a study on National Ports Development Strategy in the Sultanate of Oman and entrusted to the study to the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

JICA selected and dispatched a study team headed by Mr. Yukio Nishida of International Development System Inc. between June 2004 and June 2005.

The team held discussions with the officials concerned of the Government of the Sultanate of Oman and conducted field surveys at the study area. Upon returning to Japan, the team conducted further studies and prepared this final report.

I hope that this report will contribute to the promotion of National Ports Development Strategy for the Sultanate of Oman and to the enhancement of friendly relationship between our two countries.

Finally, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the officials concerned of the Government of the Sultanate of Oman for their close cooperation extended to the study.

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Kazuhisa Matsuoka,
Deputy Vice President
Japan International Cooperation Agency

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

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Mr. Kazuhisa MATSUOKA
Deputy Vice President
Japan International Cooperation Agency

Dear Mr. MATSUOKA,

It is my great pleasure to submit herewith the Final Report of "National Ports Development Strategy Study in the Sultanate of Oman".

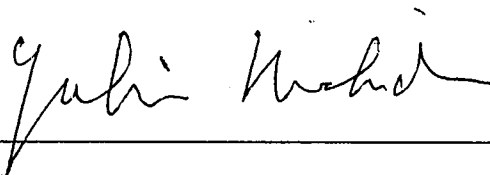
The Study Team comprised of International Development System Inc. conducted studies in the Sultanate of Oman over the period between June 2004 and June 2005 according to the contract with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

The Study Team compiled this report, which proposes the master plan for the strategic development of the national port system in Oman to the target year 2025, the formation of the Guideline for Seventh Five-Year Development Plan (2006-2010) of the port sector with feasibility study of priority project, through close consultations with officials of the Ministry of Transport and Communications, Directorate General of Ports and Maritime Affairs and other authorities concerned.

On behalf of the Study Team, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Ministry of Transport and Communications, Directorate General of Ports and Maritime Affairs and other authorities concerned for their cooperation, assistance, and heartfelt hospitality extended to the Study Team.

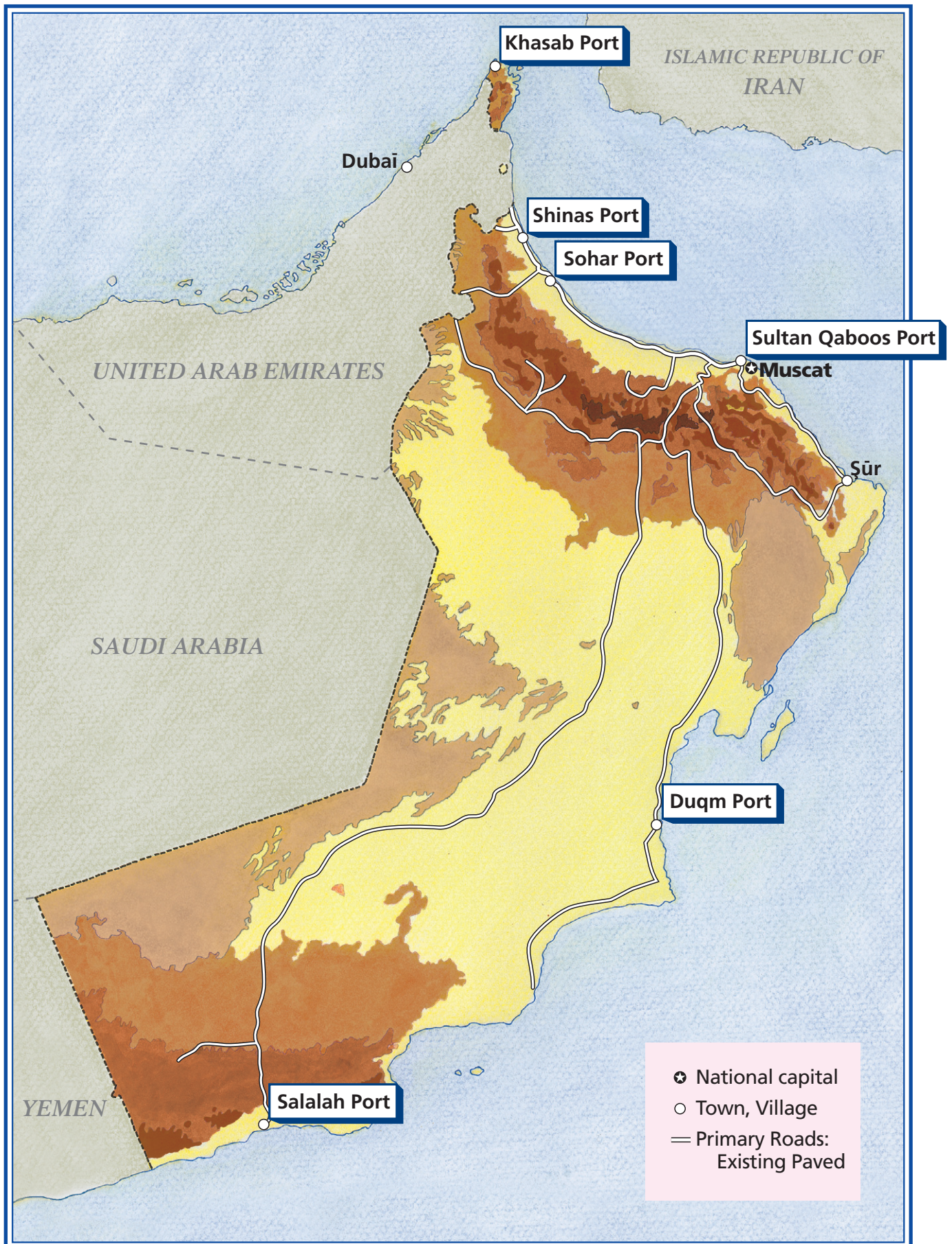
We are also very grateful to the Japan International Cooperation Agency, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, and Embassy of Japan in the Sultanate of Oman for valuable suggestions and assistance during the course of the Study.

Yours faithfully,



Yukio NISHIDA,
Team Leader
National Ports Development Strategy Study
in the Sultanate of Oman

Location of the Study Ports



Ports in Oman



Sultan Qaboos Port and Waterfront



Salalah Port



Sohar Port



Shinas Port



Duqm Port



Khasab Port