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Dear distinguished JIP-IU members;

First of all, on behalf of Indiana University School of Dentistry (IUSD) faculty members and staff members, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to your generous contribution donated by numerous visiting implant lecturers and visiting implant research fellows within the Japan Implant Practice (JIP) organization. I personally respect to each of you as an excellent implant private practitioner, as Prof. Oshida recommended to us. Such excellent practitioners have formed a unique organization two years ago - JIP-IU, and we had a wonderful first meeting at Tokyo on September, 2010. As all of us are well aware of, unfortunately the second meeting was cancelled due to the unprecedented natural disaster - Each Japan Earthquake, causing unforgettable numbers of unhappy incidences. However, I am recently informed that the upcoming meeting has been well prepared and will be held during the weekend of June 2nd and 3rd at Tokyo. Furthermore, the first anatomy study on head cadavers held at Guam islands on this March was also performed excellent and completely satisfactorily, as Drs. David Burr and Dr. Mark Seifert and Dr. Shew, reported me.

They played very important roles at this first cadaver study, including giving an anatomy lecture in medical lecture class atmosphere, demonstrating detailed dissection on cadaver head, and supervising implant placing practices by participating JIP members. Detailed preparation for implant course curriculum for coming year has been heavily owed to great effort and time by Dr. Prof. Oshida who has teaching experiences in both medical and dental fields.

Sincere thanks should go to Dr. Prof. Oshida. I believe that this Implant Course led by combined teaching staff from both medical and dental faculty members of Indiana University is very unique and I have a confidence that many Japanese doctors would like to participate this program, because I have never seen such an excellent and unique program. Having said that, I have small thing to ask special favor from all distinguished visiting implant lecturers and visiting implant research fellows; it is that please ask your staff member, a close friend, a colleague, or your apprentice to take this year-long Implant Course. This Course has been offered with very unique program as I mentioned before, which is going to be taught by combined teaching staff of medical and dental implant specialists within Indiana University campus. As you have already known, Dr. John Williams - Dean of Dentistry will join us to fully participate the upcoming JIP-IU meeting. During his visit, owing to special arrangement done by Dr. Prof. Oshida, if you kindly understand the scope of this JIP-IU organization and ultimate aim thereof, it can bring me more than happiness.

Thank you for your fully understanding. Finally, I am informed that a name-plate board of JIP-IU certified members will be placed in IUSD building at the middle of May. Dean Williams along with all invited faculty members from IUSD as well as IUSM are looking forward to seeing you all very soon at Tokyo. Very lastly, but obviously not least important, we thank Mr. Tsunekawa who works hard to make this chance real and his efforts and time to keep this program running smoothly.