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The ACCJ Welcomes the Inauguration of Prime Minister Fukuda and his Cabinet

September 28, 2007 – The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) welcomes the recent inauguration of Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda and his cabinet.

"We congratulate Prime Minister Fukuda and his cabinet on their inauguration," said ACCJ President Charles D. Lake II. "As an Economic Growth *Oendan*, the ACCJ looks forward to working with the newly-formed government and members of the Diet to respond to the challenges presented by globalization and structural issues such as demographics through reform measures designed to enhance Japan's economic growth potential."

Lake added, "Under our slogan, '*Sori Kyosei*' ('Working Together, Winning Together'), the ACCJ continues to believe that a market-based, private sector-led economy – combined with sensible investment in an effective social safety infrastructure as well as balanced and appropriate measures designed to protect consumers – is the best way to achieve sustainable growth and enhance the welfare of all."

The ACCJ stands ready to support Prime Minister Fukuda and his cabinet as they work to address Japan's challenges and steer its economy on a path of sustainable economic growth.

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About the ACCJ

The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) was established in 1948 by representatives of 40 American companies and has grown into one of the most influential business organizations in Japan. Consisting mainly of executives from American companies, currently the ACCJ has members representing 1,400 companies with offices in Tokyo, Nagoya, and Osaka. Working closely with the governments of the United States and Japan, business organizations, and others, the ACCJ promotes activities that help achieve its mission of further developing commerce between the United States and Japan, promoting the interests of U.S. companies and members, and improving the international business environment in Japan. Over 60 committees representing various industries play the ACCJ's central role in making policy recommendations through advocacy tools such as the Business White Paper and holding over 500 events and seminars annually on public policy and economic trends. The ACCJ is also committed to promoting charitable events and other CSR activities.

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