



**Press Release**

**報道資料**

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## **ACCJ Establishes Disaster Relief Fund**

**March 17, 2011** – Our hearts go out to all those affected by the ongoing tragedy in Japan. It is clear that the impact will be significant and far-reaching so the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) has established a disaster relief fund to benefit those in need.

As a first step, the ACCJ has contributed 5 million yen with a matching donation of 5 million yen by ACCJ President Michael Alfant. Currently, approximately 13 million yen has been raised.

“Helping the Japanese people through this tragedy is one of the most important things that we, as the American business community, can do,” said President Alfant. “I am asking members and non-members to donate generously; however, any and all contributions will make a difference. Our initial objective is to distribute donations directly to those in need.”

President Alfant added, “Most ACCJ members call Japan ‘home.’ We stand ready to work hand in hand with the people of Japan to overcome these tragic events.”

For specific information on how to donate to the ACCJ disaster relief fund, please see attachment.

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Please reply by email to [helpjapan@accj.or.jp](mailto:helpjapan@accj.or.jp) and specify:

■ Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

■ Ways to Donate (please choose one):

1. Via ACCJ Member Account:

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ID Number: M \_\_\_\_\_

Company

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. By Credit Card:

(check one) [ ] VISA [ ] MASTER CARD [ ] AMERICAN EXPRESS

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as shown on card (in print): \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Transfer to ACCJ Bank Account:

Mizuho Bank (0001)

Kamiyacho Branch (146)

Current (Toza) # 0052534

Name of Account : ACCJ or ザイニチベイコクシヨウコウカイギシヨ

Swift Code : MHBKJPJT

Date of Transfer: \_\_\_\_\_

Payer's Bank Account Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Request an invoice:

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Registered Mail:

Address: The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan

(Attn: Mr. Miyata)

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### **About 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 1,000 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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