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**ACCJ Applauds Conclusion of
Trans-Pacific Partnership Trade Negotiations**

October 7, 2015 – After years of promoting a comprehensive Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) agreement covering all aspects of trade and investment, the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) applauds the conclusion of the TPP trade negotiations.

The conclusion of the 12-country TPP agreement represents a historic opportunity for all of the participating countries to greatly expand their commercial engagement with one another. Representing 40 percent of global GDP, the economies encompassed by the agreement are poised to benefit from a 21st century free trade agreement in one of the most economically vibrant regions of the world. The ACCJ is hopeful that TPP can serve as a model for trade and investment in the region as well as globally.

“On behalf of the ACCJ, I would like to offer up our heartfelt appreciation to all of the negotiators who worked tirelessly to bring this historic agreement to completion, particularly the U.S. and Japan teams led by Ambassador Froman and Minister Amari. We look forward to reviewing the final text of the agreement when it becomes available. We are hopeful that the new framework will open up countless opportunities for growth for our member companies who trade with a wide range of businesses in each of the 12 TPP nations. The conclusion of the TPP trade negotiations will help usher in a new age of increased trade, investment and job opportunities in all of the participating economies,” said ACCJ President Jay Ponazecki.

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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. The ACCJ's more than 60 committees represent a variety of industries and make policy recommendations through advocacy tools such as viewpoints, public comments and white papers. The ACCJ holds approximately 500 events and seminars a year, many of which focus on government policy and economic trends. The ACCJ is also committed to promoting charitable events and CSR activities.

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