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◆Remarks from RENGO President Nobuaki Koga

Focusing efforts on "Realizing a Secure Society Built around Work"

We at RENGO, as a federation of workers, must reexamine the value of working. To work means (1) to enable everyday living through wages earned by providing labor; (2) to participate in society through working, thereby being useful to somebody; (3) the value of improving oneself



through one's work; (4) mutual support and building trust through teamwork, one of Japan's most important characteristics, in order to achieve a specific goal. We must realize a "secure society built around work" in which these values are even more deeply entrenched.

The Great East Japan Earthquake has provided an opportunity for people in both Japan and throughout the world to come together and give consideration to the solidarity, the bonds, the sharing, and the mutual support that we at RENGO have been advocating. Recently RENGO has been highly praised for its dispatching of volunteers to the disaster areas. Again I would like to thank everyone in our constituent unions for their cooperation.

All positions are facing considerable difficulties, but I hope we can work together to build a better society. I ask everyone at the IMF-JC for your continued support and guidance, and I sincerely pray for your continued growth and success.