TOKYO MOTOR SHOW THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 --1:30 PRESS EVENT--

GOOD AFTERNOON. IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE TO BE HERE TODAY TO SEE THE U.S. PAVILION AT THE 31ST TOKYO MOTOR SHOW.

I'VE HAD AUTOS ON MY MIND MOST DAYS (AND NIGHTS) OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS, BUT I RARELY HAVE THE CHANCE TO VISIT SUCH TERRIFIC DISPLAYS AND MARVEL AT THE MACHINERY THAT U.S. FIRMS ARE EXPORTING AROUND THE WORLD.

I AM IMPRESSED -- AS I AM SURE YOU WILL BE -- WITH THE INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY, AND SUPERIOR QUALITY OF THE AMERICAN PRODUCTS ON DISPLAY. THESE COMPANIES REPRESENT SOME OF THE MOST DEDICATED U.S. FIRMS IN JAPAN, AND I WISH TO COMMEND THEM FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND VISION OF THE FUTURE.

THIS PARTICULAR PAVILION IS THE WORK OF THE U.S. EMBASSY'S COMMERCIAL SECTION AND THE OFFICE OF AUTOMOTIVE AFFAIRS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

TO TELL YOU MORE ABOUT IT, I AM PLEASED TO INTRODUCE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE DAVID BARRAM. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT HE WILL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS AS TIME PERMITS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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