

Mr. Shane L. Stone

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Asia & Oceania Group Corporate Strategies Dept.

Dear Mr. Stone,

Thank you for sending letter. I'm very sorry I didn't know your retirement, and I'm also very regrettable to hear that.

It has been our great pleasure that Marubeni has been working in Northern Territory. We are concentrating on an afforestation project, railway project, ORD River sugar project and so many project now.

I would like to thank you too for your support. We will continue to have good relationship with your country.

May you and your family be blessed with good health and happiness.

Sincerely yours,

Katsunori Kobayashi

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