



CITY OF KOBE
KOBE, JAPAN

February 7, 2023

His Excellency Mr. Korkut Güngen
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Embassy of the Republic of Turkey in Japan

Dear Ambassador Güngen,

I was profoundly saddened to hear of the major earthquake that struck south-eastern Turkey in the early hours yesterday, and caused great loss of life in your country.

In 1995, Kobe was struck by the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, which also caused great loss of life and devastated our city. As we share experiences of the misery that natural disasters can cause, we can begin to understand the difficulties and heartache that the people of your country now face in the aftermath of this tragedy. On behalf of the people of Kobe, please allow me to express my sincerest condolences.

I wish Turkey the very best in recovery, and pray that the lives of those affected will be able to return to some kind of normality as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

久元 喜造

Hisamoto Kizo

Mayor of Kobe



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February 9, 2023

Mr. Umut Lütfi Öztürk
Consul General
Consulate-General of the Republic of Turkey in Nagoya

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Mr. MHD. Najib ELJI
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim
Embassy of the Syrian Arab Republic in Japan

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