

16<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

Dear Mrs Thuthukile Mazibuko,

This is Yasushi Naito, Consul of Japan in Cape Town.

On behalf of Office of Consul of Japan in Cape Town and Japanese Community in Cape Town as well of all former Japanese diplomats, I wish to convey our sincere condolences to you on passing of Honourable Zola Sidney Themba Skweyiya on 11th April 2018.

As one of longest serving diplomats in South Africa, I had privilege of engaging with Minister Skweyiya a number of times especially during the administration of President Mandela and President Mbeki. Minister Skweyiya's evaluation of the state of South Africa as well as his advice on strengthening the bilateral relations between South Africa and Japan was always informative, objective and full of warmth. He was truly a principled leader of the Nation.

May his soul rest in peace.

Sincerely yours,

Yasushi Naito



Consul of Japan in Cape Town

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