

# JAPANESE SHIPOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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Dear Mr Wang

I am now writing to tell you my heartfelt congratulations on a remarkable success of the 18th Asian Shipowners' Forum in Tainan on 25-27 May 2009, which was neatly organised under your outstanding chairmanship.

I am confident that effective activities which have been firmly carried out by each five Standing Committees year by year will provide even more important bases for our aim that is to promote the interest of the Asian shipping industry through frank exchange of views and deepening of mutual understanding among Asian shipowners. I am also convinced that the addition of the Indian National Shipowners' Association(INSNA) will further make ASF's presence felt in the international shipping society.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your kindness and warm hospitality during our stay in Tainan. Please convey my deepest personal gratitude to Mr Douglas Hsu, Chairman of U-Ming Maritime Transport for the Welcome Reception/Dinner on 25 May, your delegation and secretariat for the well-prepared meetings and the social events. Your cordial welcome extended to us made our stay a most enjoyable and memorable one.

With my thanks once again and my warm personal regards.

Yours sincerely



Hiroyuki Maekawa  
President