RE: Submission of Written Pledge Concerning Exclusion of Antisocial Forces (Request)

The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (hereinafter "AIST") is taking measures to eliminate any and all relationships and associations with the antisocial forces. In this regard, we ask that all business operators who conduct business with AIST going forward understand the objectives of AIST and submit an attached document entitled "Pledge Concerning Exclusion of Antisocial Forces".

There is no expiration date set for the pledge. The written pledge generally needs to be provided only once; however, please be advised that you may be asked to submit another written pledge if there is any organizational change including business consolidation.

The written pledge may be submitted to one of the AIST Tsukuba offices at the AIST Center or to one of the regional bases.

[Note: If the submission is made in the name of a general manager of a branch office or in the name of a sales office, please make sure that the submission of this written pledge is within the scope of authority delegated by the main office.]