Dear Sir Kazumi Matsui

Mayor of Hiroshima

We received with joy the letter sent by Your Excellency. We have the honor to inform that our city is already doing a great event with the purpose of promoting peace among the people. To remember the suffering caused by the release of the bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and to ask for the end of nuclear weapons, the city of Registro will be holding, for the fifth consecutive year, the event "Tooro Nagashi of Peace" already scheduled for August 17th, 2013.

Just like the last year, we hope to bring together 300 students from 40 schools in the city to form a big choir to sing songs calling for peace, among them, the Japanese music against bombs. For this event, will be invited the governors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and the consul of the Japanese Consulate in São Paulo (SP), representatives of the Departament of Culture of the State of São Paulo and other authorities.

The "Tooro Nagashi of Peace" began in Registro with the initiative of the Association of the Province of Nagasaki in Brazil and the Cultural Association of the Province of Nagasaki in Brazil, which help to hold the event along with the Japanese-Brazilian Cultural Association of Registro (Bunkyo). The City of Registro also supports the activity, held on the banks of the Ribeira river. The colorful TOOROS are placed in the river and follow the stream, providing a landscape of extreme peace. Furthermore, it is also celebrated a Buddhist cult with prayers for the victims of nuclear bombs and world peace.

We believe that the "Tooro Nagashi of Peace" replace the International Day of Peace established by the United Nations, despite the advance. However, we will do our best to remember the people of our city to do a minute of silence and pray for peace on September 21st.

Sincerely,

Gilson Wagner Fantin

Mayor Registro-SP





