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Dear Takehiko Tanaka

Thank you for your letter and the interesting pictures which you sent on Nov 16.

I much appreciate your good wishes. Believe my progress toward full recovery is well under way. I'll keep you advised.

We are much interested in the report of work being done at Japan Steel Works. We honor them for doing what they can, to keep themselves efficient in spite of unsettled economic conditions, and the destructive effects of inflation. Please extend my appreciation to those in decision management.

I have made several copies of the report, in order to bring the most benefit from your work. I am providing copies to Mr Tufty of Tufty Communications Inc. who publishes The Value Engineering Digest, in Washington DC, Jimmie Carter, president of S.A.V.E., And J J Kaufman, past president, who is very active in worthwhile VE communications.

Of a personal nature, I can advise that Eleanor and I leave Dec 16 for the warmth and delights of the Caribbean area. We will have Christmas with our daughter who lives in San Juan, Puerto Rica. We'll have a fine New Years Cruise, etc, and return to Seddefield about mid-Jan.

Please extend our top-most greetings to Mrs Tanaka. T From where I now am in our living room, I can see the two lovely pictures which she fashioned for us.

And the best of health, hapiness and success to you too Takehiko.

Sincerely,

Larry and Eleanor Miles

Hiroshima City
Nov. 16, 1977

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Miles:

I sincerely hope that Mr. Miles is on the road to recovery.

I was looking forward to our happy reunion with you on the occasion of the 10th SJVE National Conference, but all of us concerned were very sorry to learn that you could not come owing to your sudden illness.

The conference was quite a success, the participants numbering approximately 800, including the officers. Many papers and case studies were presented.

The guest speaker, Dr. Rudy H. Kempter delivered a special address on "Design to Cost".

Mr. Miles' paper entitled "What I Expect From Japanese Value Engineers and Their Companies" was translated into Japanese and was read by Prof. Tamai, which made a deep impression on the audience. The participants all expressed hope that Mr. Miles will soon recover.

I am enclosing some snapshots I took at the conference.

Under separate cover, I am sending you a copy of the paper on a case study presented by a participant representing Japan Steel Works, Hiroshima Plant. Upon your recovery, any comments you may be kind enough to make on it will be very much appreciated.

Again, I am wishing your speedy recovery.

Yours sincerely,

Takewako Tanaka