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THE SOCIETY OF JAPANESE VALUE ENGINEERS (SJVE)

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Mr. L. D. Miles
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Dear Mr. L. D. Miles:

Since my announcement in August as the Secretary General of the Society of Japanese Value Engineers, I have been surprised to receive many congratulation letters from many friends in the U.S.A. and Europe. I must confess that I owe thanks for many advices and helping hands.

Allow me to hasten to ask for your personal favors regarding two important VE events which are forthcoming one in Tokyo, this month and the other in Los Angeles in April, and please forgive my use of the form letter again.

1. SJVE National Meeting for 1973 (October 30 and 31):

Please kindly send either a letter or a cable message of congratulation for our annual program. We'd be most grateful if we could receive such a message from you to reach here by October 25 or so.

2. 1974 IBAM Cost Reduction World Tour (in time for the 1974 SAVE National Conference)...An Initial Plan.

For the next year, both SJVE and IBAM will combine their respective over sea missions as one single delegation, that is, the SAVE Conference Participation project on the one hand and IBAM's VE/Cost Reduction world tour project on the other.

Enclosed you will find the tentative schedule of itinerary for the tour. Its program, particularly in the U.S., is designed to contain the following three types of activities throughout its U.S. tour:

a. Participation to the 1974 SAVE National Conference (April 29 - May 1):

Because of the apparent language barrier to be faced by the majority of our members, it'd be helpful and beneficial if our people

In this way, the program could be monitored by a language-coordinator of the Japanese group. Would it be feasible, by any chance, for this coordinator to use any "microphone-to-earphone" hook-up, even in an improvised way and preferably designed as a portable kit, as such?

b. Technical visits (after the SAVE Conference up to May 20):

As our delegation is to travel according to the enclosed itinerary sheet, it would be grateful if a local visit program with some VE-active company or plant could be arranged by some interested members of the local SAVE Chapter, as well as in Europe.

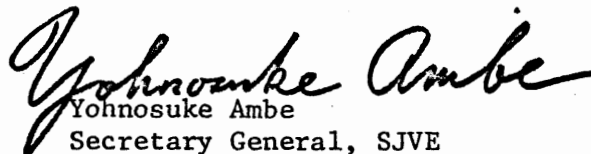
c. Informal meetings with local VE personnel:

Such meetings, say, after a company visit, or in the evening at the hotel where the group stay, or even at somebody's home, if permitted, would certainly double the mental gains for each of our delegates.

Your kind interest in sending us a message to the SJVE National Meeting this month as well as your continued interest and help when we send out the 1974 Cost Reduction World Tour group would be very much appreciated.

I shall look forward to your continued interest and help to us,

Very sincerely,


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