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**Om Prakash Elected President of the American Chamber of
Commerce in Japan for 2022**

December 6, 2021 [Tokyo] – The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) announced today that Om Prakash was elected to serve as the Chamber’s 60th President. Prakash, who is Chief Executive for Northrop Grumman Japan, will assume his position from January 1, 2022.

“It’s a great honor to be elected ACCJ President, and I am committed to putting maximum effort into this role given the extremely dynamic world we find ourselves in. I am excited to work together with the 2022 Board of Governors to build upon the success of recent years. My special thanks to current ACCJ President Jenifer Rogers and the Board for their exceptional leadership this past year, which has positioned the Chamber well for the future,” said Prakash.

“The ACCJ will play a key role in 2022 for businesses in Japan as we look forward to welcoming a new Ambassador and as global events continue to reinforce the importance of the U.S.-Japan partnership and the mutual security alliance. While the pandemic has challenged us over the last two years, our diverse member-driven organization continues to strengthen connections and promote issues critical to supporting the international business community in Japan, including digitalization, supply chain resilience, and the resumption of safe international travel. It’s a privilege and honor for me to lead the Chamber in the year ahead,” Prakash added.

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Om Prakash is the Chief Executive for Northrop Grumman Japan. He has been with Northrop Grumman for seven years in a variety of roles, including his previous position in corporate strategy. He served more than 25 years in the U.S. Air Force in several roles worldwide, including liaising with the U.S. Congress on behalf of Air Force plans and programs, and working industrial policy for the Pentagon. He is a former instructor of the U.S. Air Force Test Pilot School and has flown over 60 different aircraft for more than 3,000 hours and has over 300 combat hours in the F-15E.



The ACCJ membership also elected one Treasurer, one Vice President–Tokyo, six Governors–Tokyo, one Vice President–Kansai, and one Governor–Kansai to serve with the incumbent members on the 2022 ACCJ Board of Governors. The ACCJ Kansai Chapter’s Regional Treasurer (a non-board position) was also elected.

Elected President:

- **Om Prakash**
Chief Executive, Northrop Grumman Japan

Elected Treasurer:

- **Ryann Thomas***
Partner, PwC Tax Japan

Elected Vice President–Tokyo:

- **Douglas Hymas**
Senior Advisor to the CEO, Fusion Systems Group

Elected Governors–Tokyo:

- **John W. Carlson III**
Senior Strategic Assistant to Pharma Japan Head, Novartis
- **Nuala Anne Connolly**
Head of Talent and Deputy Head of HR, AIG
- **Andrew J. Conrad***
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Compliance Officer,
Aflac Japan
Senior Vice President, Aflac International
- **Heather McLeish**
Director, EY Japan
- **James Miller**
Head of Public Policy, Amazon Web Services Japan, G.K.
- **William Shaffer**
President, Boeing Japan

Elected Kansai Chapter leaders:

- **Vice President–Kansai: Jiro Kawakami**
Vice President & Chief of Staff, MGM Resorts Japan LLC
- **Governor–Kansai: Simone Thomsen***
President and Representative Director, Eli Lilly Japan K.K.

Incumbent Vice Presidents–Tokyo:

- **Amy Jackson**
APAC Senior Director, Government Affairs and Policy, Janssen Pharmaceutical K.K., Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies
- **Eric W. Sedlak**
Partner, K&L Gates Gaikokuho Joint Enterprise
- **Yoshitaka Sugihara**
Director, Head of Public Policy, Japan, Netflix G.K.
- **Dave West**
President, Asia Pacific, Japan & Greater China, Cisco Systems (USA) Pte Ltd

Incumbent Governors–Tokyo:

- **Harry Hill**
CEO & President, Better-U, Inc.
- **Tad Johnson**
President and Representative Director, P&W Aftermarket Japan
- **Saori Kanno**
General Manager, President, REVLON K.K.
- **Mari Matthews**
Representative Director and Vice Chair, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust (Japan) Ltd.
- **Victor Osumi**
Managing Director, Japan, Delta Air Lines, Inc.
- **William J. Swinton**
Director, International Business Studies, Temple University, Japan Campus

Incumbent Chubu Chapter leaders:

- **Vice President–Chubu: Robert W. Roche**
Executive Chairman and President, Oak Lawn Marketing, Inc.
- **Governor–Chubu: Mark Hosang**
Sr. Manager Enterprise Services & Security, IT Division, Randstad Japan

2022 Non-Board Leadership Positions:

- **Regional Treasurer–Kansai: Michael McBain**
General Manager, InterContinental Osaka & Regional General Manager Japan, IHG Hotels and Resorts
- **Regional Treasurer–Chubu: Pending**



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About ACCJ

The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) was established in 1948 by representatives of 40 American companies. Over its 73-year history, the ACCJ has positioned itself as one of the most influential business organizations in Japan. The ACCJ has approximately 3,000 members who together represent over 600 globally minded companies with offices in Tokyo, Nagoya, and Kobe. Working closely with the U.S. and Japanese governments, business organizations and others, the ACCJ engages in activities that advance its mission of further developing commerce between the U.S. and Japan, promoting the interests of U.S. companies and members, and improving the international business environment in Japan including the commitment to demonstrating responsible corporate citizenship. The ACCJ's more than 60 committees represent a variety of industries and make policy recommendations through advocacy tools such as viewpoints, public comments, and white papers. The ACCJ holds on average 500 events and seminars a year, many of which focus on government policy and economic trends. The ACCJ is also committed to promoting charitable and CSR activities.

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