

RETAINER AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, Hogan & Hartson L.L.P. has represented the Embassy of Japan, as its General Counsel in Washington, D.C., during prior fiscal years beginning on April 1 and terminating on March 31, and


WHEREAS, the parties have heretofore mutually agreed to a continuation of that legal relationship during the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1998, subject to annual renewal by mutual agreement of the parties;

THEREFORE, the parties agree that Hogan & Hartson L.L.P. will continue to provide legal services and advice to the Embassy of Japan for the period stated above for the annual retainer sum of \$40,000 (U.S.) billed quarterly in advance, plus actual disbursements billed at the conclusion of each quarter. It is understood that this retainer does not include legal services in connection with real estate matters and acquisitions or special matters requiring extraordinary legal time and attention.

The contract shall come into force as of the first day of April, 1998, and shall be in effect until March 31, 1999, on the condition that the FY 1998 budget will be approved by the Diet.

Signed in duplicate and agreed as of this first day of April, 1998.

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