

## FOREWORD

San Francisco Peace Conference to Japan was held 42 years ago. There ex-President Jayawardene (the then Minister of Finance) represented Ceylon (Sri-Lanka), where he cited the Lotus Sutra :

Man can be beyond hatred  
only by love,  
He, by hatred,  
cannot be that.

He emphasized the Allied Powers that they should support Japan by “tolerant love” , and was opposed to the plan of USSR to divide and rule Japan, then he renounced the compensative right.

This is the important thing for today’s prosperity of Japan. As a result, the monument to the national honor was erected left by the statue of Buddha of Kamakura the year before last.

The Zenkoji Scholarship Foundation sent two priests to Sri-Lanka, and recently the Sri-Lanka upper class Buddhist nun was adopted as a student in Japan. Last autumn, I visited Sri-Lanka for our mutual understanding and promotion of friendship.

Fortunately, I had the honor of having the most elder of Buddhists as an adviser, and also of meeting the President, who had a high opinion of our activity of the Scholarship Foundation. This is the really significant result for our expected future development.

Next topics, ex-Sōin Kannin Sumi-Tōgen of Head-quarter temple Sōjiji passed away last summer. I inform of this sorrow with my deepest sympathy.

Lastly, about contents of “Seiju”, we would refer to various advice and make efforts to improve one by one. Please cooperate with us.