

Dear Mr. Steve Guerdat

I am writing to express "ありがとう" ("ARIGATO" means thank you and gratitude) for your support on "PRAY for JAPAN". Your message and autograph gave great hopes and comforts for fellow horse riders who suffered the disaster of "3.11" earthquake in TOHOKU area (northern Japan).

Here I enclose Japanese teacup for showing our gratefulness. The teacup is called "SOMA-YAKI", a pottery made in "FUKUSHIMA" prefecture, where had the worst damage of equitation industry, in TOHOKU. The area of SOMA town has also got a very long history with horses, so I hope you would enjoy your cup of tea or coffee with this teacup.

Japan is still suffering from aftershocks and difficulties facing with reconstruction of the area. However, each one of us, each one of people, who experienced such a tragedy, is doing the best we can in order to go back to normality.

I thank you again for your support and please continue to be by side with Japan and Japan equitation.

Yours faithfully,

杉谷泰造 & 被災者一同

Taizo Sugitani & All of victims

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[Photo] CSI-W Minamisoma was done in Mito under the influence of the earthquake.

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