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Dear Dr. Kwiecinski,

I am very pleased and honored that you are hosting the first Budo Congress today, October 5, 2007, at the Polish Olympic Committee Hall in Warsaw, Poland.

This Budo Congress is significant as it brings together distinguished academic professors of History, Philosophy and Physical Education as well as top Budo leaders to discuss and confirm the fundamentals of Budo.

Originally, Budo attracted the public's attention because it was thought to be "mysterious"; its techniques seemed to give super human powers to those who practiced it. Eventually, people recognized the value of Budo as an educational tool in man's physical, mental and spiritual development.

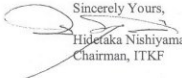
When Budo became a competitive sport and athletes began to focus only on winning, the fundamentals and spirit of Budo were lost and public interest soon waned.

Today, however, there is a renewed interest in Budo as people from all parts of the world are eager to once again see the original artistry of Budo.

This Congress will surely give impetus to the resurgence of Budo and provide a clear understanding of the true fundamentals of Budo.

I deeply appreciate your dedication and effort in bringing about this historic event and welcome all participants and audience to this first Budo Congress.

Sincerely Yours,



Hideraka Nishiyama
Chairman, ITKF