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Professor Dr. Yoshikazu Miki President Aoyama Gakuin University Japan

Dear President Professor Dr. Yoshikazu Miki:

It gives me a great pleasure to inform you that the ABEST21 International accredited the Department of International Management of the Graduate School of International Management (hereinafter referred to as "School"), Aoyama Gakuin University, Japan on March 7, 2019 by the recommendation of the ABEST21 Accreditation Committee as follows:

"ABEST21 (THE ALLIANCE ON BUSINESS EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP FOR TOMORROW, a 21st century organization) hereby certifies that the Department of International Management of the Graduate School of International Management, Aoyama Gakuin University, Japan has generally met the ABEST21 Management Accreditation Standards and the quality maintenance and improvement of education and research in the aforementioned department are promising and good. Accreditation commences April 1, 2019 for a five-year period."

After accreditation, the School must implement the yearly plan according to its action plans, and submit the progress report (KAIZEN Report) by the end of June at the 3<sup>rd</sup> year after being accredited.

We commend the School's commitment to enhancing the quality of management education, and hope that ABEST21 accreditation will contribute to the School's efforts to meet the expectations of its stakeholders.

With best regards,

Fumio Itoh

President, ABEST21 International