

## **NORHIRO OKUDA**

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Canada

Date of Birth : August 19, 1952

- 1975      Graduated from the Law Faculty, Tokyo University (LLB)
  
- 1975      Entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan
- 1976      Began Intensive Study Program in the Arabic Language (Egypt)
- 1979      Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Egypt
- 1981      Staff Member, First Middle East Division, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 1983      Deputy Director, Energy Affairs Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 1985      Deputy Director, Management and Coordination Agency, Prime Minister's Office
- 1987      First Secretary, Japanese Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York (Middle Eastern Affairs and PKO)
- 1990      First Secretary, later, Counselor, Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (Political Affairs)
- 1992      Legal Coordinator, Legal Affairs Division, Treaties Bureau, MOFA
- 1993      Director, Second Middle East Division, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 1995      Director, Grant Aid Division, Economic Cooperation Bureau, MOFA
- 1997      Counselor, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America (Congressional Affairs)
- 1999      Minister, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America
- 2000      Deputy Director-General for General Affairs, Economic Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- 2001      Deputy Director-General for Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau
- 2004      Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Japan in Afghanistan
  
- Aug 2006    Director-General, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, MOFA
- Aug 2008    Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of

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