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To All Branch Chief of NIKO

As you all know, the area manager for Russia is Mr. Astanin Vitary. He has held this position since 2006 and has managed NIKO's development in Russia together with Ryzhkov to date.

The news of Mr. Ryzhikov's passing this year came as a huge shock to us. After his death, the burden that Mr. Astanin is under is immeasurable. I would like to honor his achievements and give him the following duties:

1. Preparation of membership fee lists for each branch chief.
2. Transfer of membership fees to HONBU for each branch chief.
3. Preparation of documents for new branch contracts.
4. Combining all the branch chiefs into one team to jointly conduct a Dan test.
5. Control over the rules of Kancho requirements when assigning black belts.
6. Preparation of documents and transfer of money for new black belts.
7. Solving problems with the delivery of black belts and certificates to Russia.
8. Formation of the Russian team for the World Cup (lists, visas, money, tickets).
9. Help NIKO to grow in Russia.
10. I award him the 5th Dan of NIKO.

And permission for the sole and exclusive right of certification for 4th Dan in Russia.

I will continue to appoint him as Area Manager.  
I appreciate it very much.

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Kancho Hidenori Ashihara

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