

## Remarks by Chief Cabinet Secretary Aoki on the Y2K Computer Issue

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I would like to report to you on the Y2K Computer Issue

From the end of last year until this morning both the Government and the private sector have closely monitored the situation regarding the Y2K computer issue. I am glad to be able to report to you that fortunately no major incidents have occurred in basic social infrastructure areas including energy, transportation, telecommunications and health and medicine. Moreover, we have as of now not received any reports of major problems from the financial sector, which began operations today.

Overseas as well it appears that there have not been any major incidents which would disturb the social order.

Although the Government does believe that we have basically been able to greet the new year without incident after making it through the period which was the focus of so much attention, we have had reports of minor problems such as anomalies in computer system displays and memories. As such, we intend to remain vigilant in monitoring the situation.

If you would like more information about the situation please contact the Y2K Computer Problem Center of the Prime Minister's Official Residence.