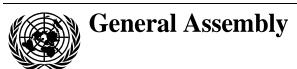
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Letter dated 9 April 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the Ministerial Declaration "Message from the Lake Biwa and Yodo River Basin", adopted at the Ministerial Conference on the occasion of the 3rd World Water Forum in Kyoto, Japan, on 23 March 2003 (see annex).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly under agenda items 44, 87 and 87 (a).

(Signed) Koichi Haraguchi Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations