



# Stichting Japanse Ereschulden

## Foundation of Japanese Honorary Debts

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His Excellency Shinzo ABE  
Prime Minister of Japan

The Hague, 9 September 2014  
Petition: 238  
Subject: Honoring war criminals, how disgusting!

Excellency,

Your message sent to the annual ceremony honoring class A and other war criminals is truly disgusting. You appear to have no consideration for all the victims, Japanese and others, who suffered so badly from the atrocities caused by these war criminals. They induced the Imperial Army and their agents to bring terror and fear in the occupied territories and bullied their own people into war. Many of the survivors and the next of kin of those who died are shocked by your message.

How can you as a private person and as leader of the Liberal Democratic Party say that the war criminals “sacrificed their souls to become the foundation of the fatherland”?

The people of Japan must now realize and recognize the true colors of their Prime Minister: He honors Japan’s convicted war criminals, forgets their atrocities, and glorifies them to cover up the role and activities of his ancestors. The Japanese citizens will realize that the war criminals are not “the foundation of modern Japan”, but give Japan a lasting bad name.

Prime Minister

As Prime Minister you must take responsibility for your acts as a private person and leader of the Liberal Democratic Party. You cannot but acknowledge Japan’s past wrongdoings and stop backpedaling on former apologies. If not, Japan’s stand in the world will continue to deteriorate and the young people of Japan will continue to be blamed for not knowing their country’s history. Your so called peace agenda is wrought by the past and lacks repentance.

Germany’s example in acknowledgement and apologies and reparations for all its war crimes against its people, the Jews, Sinti and other Europeans, brought them respect and admiration. An honest apology recognized by the government and conveyed directly by the Prime Minister to the surviving victims and the next of kin will bring peace and better international relationships to Japan.

Respect must be earned and paid for!

Prime Minister

Accept in the long term interest of Japan and its people this responsibility.  
Come to terms with the past!

On behalf of the Foundation of Japanese Honorary Debts,

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President