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Statement by Yoshimitsu Kobayashi, Chairman of Keizai Doyukai On Result of Tokyo Gubernatorial Election

Ms. Yuriko Koike, the former Diet member, was elected Tokyo governor as a result of the gubernatorial election voted today.

The election took place in Japan's capital city amid an unusual circumstance that Ms. Koike's two predecessors both resigned due to political funding scandals before their four-year terms of office and without fulfilling their duties. New governor's priority is to restore Tokyo Metropolitan Government's confidence as swiftly as possible by stably managing the Government with a high transparency and an ability to get things done.

We strongly expect the new governor to press ahead with necessary reforms, as a leader with a mandate from Tokyo citizens, to solve various challenges surrounding the Government such as an issue of children on day-care waiting list, response to the aging society, disaster control measures, and preparation for Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic games.

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