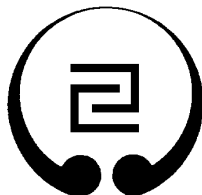


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To: Sensei Paolo Francesco Spongia and members of Torakan Dojo,

It is my honor to send my congratulations to Sensei Paolo Francesco Spongia and the members of Torakan Dojo & IOGKF Italy for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Torakan Dojo.

I have a great respect for Sensei Paolo, as a martial artist as well as a practitioner of Buddhism, for his strong passion, commitment, and level of understanding of both arts and their culture. He is a great comrade of mine who shares the same passion towards traditional martial arts.



I also feel very close to the members of IOGKF Italy. I have visited Italy and Torakan Dojo several times. Whenever I get together with IOGKF Italy members and go out for dinner and a little wine, I feel like I am a part of an Italian family. Italian members are very serious about the traditional martial arts, yet friendly and love to eat good pasta, pizza and wine.

I wish the best for all members of IOGKF Italy and the future prosperity of Torakan Dojo.

Respectfully yours,

Tetsuji Nakamura  
IOGKF Administrative Director  
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