

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

AUSTRALIA'S GATEBALL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

I am pleased to send this message to the Australian Gateball Team as you prepare for the 2014 World Gateball Championship in Niigata, Japan.

While this is only a small sport played in Australia, it is followed by millions around the world. I pay tribute to your dedication to raising the profile of this sport both at home and internationally.

This is the culmination of what you have all worked so hard for. You should be proud of your efforts.

We are a sporting nation with a fierce determination to be the best. Australia admires the skill, courage and determination of all who wear our country's colours.

You are representing our nation – play strong, and I wish you the best of luck!

In CMA

The Hon Tony Abbott MP Prime Minister of Australia

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