The 47th Speech & Friendship Party in 2012 will be held on

Thursday, 24th May 2012

at 17:30 p.m. for 18:00 p.m. at Hotel New Otani Hakata 3F

(Hotel New Otani Hakata: 1-1-2 Watanabe-dori, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka Tel: (092)714-1111)

- I. General Meeting 18:00
- II. Simon Fisher Speech 18:30

 "A Special Year for the UK."

 (Speech will be given in Japanese.)
- II. Friendship Party 19:30

 $\label{eq:fee} Fee: Member: $\pm 2,000.$ Guest: $\pm 3,000.$ (at the venue)$

* Member can pay the annual membership fee ¥3,000.- at the venue on the day, if the payment hasn't been done in advance.

This year Mr. Fisher has kindly agreed to give a speech and join the friendship party. It is hoped that many people will be able to attend this event. Please make reservations using the form on the back of this paper or email (fibs.event@castle.ocn.ne.jp) no later than Friday, 11th May 2012.

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Sept 2009 HM Consul-General, British Consulate-General Osaka

July 2006 Deputy Director Trade & Investment & Head Advanced Engineering British Embassy Tokyo

2005-2006 Foreign & Commonwealth Office, London. Jan-May 06: Refresher Japanese language



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