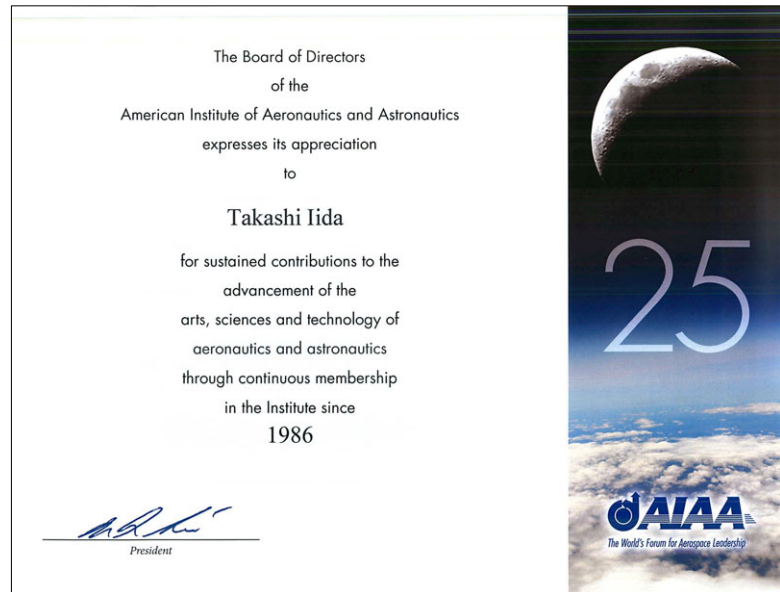


### Report: Presents from AIAA

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I think I took olds. I received two presents from AIAA recently that might show a good care of AIAA. Based on the argument in the SJR editorial committee that had better report to all of readers, I report below briefly.

As for the first present, I received a certificate signed by the AIAA President to commemorate the years of service on my 25th anniversary of continuous membership in the AIAA, as shown to the right. I became a member of AIAA in 1986. At that time, the discussion about how to get involved in the space station program was begun in Japan. It was a chance that I became familiar with the AIAA because I increased interaction with researchers of outside research organization such as National Aerospace Laboratory (now, JAXA), while I was with Communications Research Laboratory. I think that issuing such a certificate encourages a member oneself and is very preferable.



Another, I acted as Director International, one of posts of AIAA Board of Directors (BOD) for 2 terms from 2005 to 2011. As for the motivation that I became Board of Directors member, there was a meaning to be a successor of Dr. Toda of JAXA, but as the BOD member is elected by election, I wrote Vitae and Candidate Statements two times for the election at the first and the second term. It does not seem to have been always without a vote, so I thank the persons who had me vote. The position term of the Director International is for 3 years. I served for two terms. When my term has expired, I received a table clock with a commemorative plaque of my name from AIAA, as shown to the right. Since I attended at the BOD only four times during my term, I do not think to really contribute to AIAA. However, because I am also a committee member of International Activities Committee of AIAA, I think that I could be active of support to AIAA, for example, translation of AIAA related sentences in English into Japanese and reporting the activity of JFSC. I thank all of you for supporting my activities. Especially, I thank Mr. Iasiello of the AIAA for his big support. I hope that many Japanese participate in activity of AIAA in future as well as a member of JFSC.



Commemorative plaque on the top of table clock