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April/May 2002

22 April

APO Secretary-General Takashi Tajima attended the opening session of the seminar on "Rural Life Improvement for Community Development" held in the APO Secretariat in Tokyo, and gave the welcome address. Seventeen participants from 11 APO member countries took part in the five-day program.



Mr. Tajima (center of head table) at the opening session of the seminar. On his left is Dr. Kenji Ishihara, Managing Director, Association for International Cooperation of Agriculture and Forestry. Mr. Kunio Tsubota, APO Director for Agriculture, is on his right.

24 April

Delivered the opening remarks at the symposium on "Rural Life Improvement in Japan and Rural Development in Developing Countries" held in Tokyo. The symposium, organized in conjunction with above-mentioned seminar, was supported by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and attended by more than 180 people, including the seminar participants. JICA Senior Vice President Hisao Azuma also spoke at the opening session. (*Please see back page for a fuller report on the seminar and the symposium.*)

10-12 May

Attended the 35th Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Asian Development Bank in Shanghai, People's Republic of China.