## **DEAR STOCKHOLDERS AND CUSTOMERS**

ITOCHU Corporation achieved a historical high net income of ¥77.8 billion for the fiscal year ended March 2005.

Now that ITOCHU has gained financial strength and established a highly efficient profit structure through our past management restructurings and A&P strategy,\* it is time for us to shift in earnest from a defensive to an offensive business approach under our new mid-term management plan, "Frontier-2006."

We will channel our efforts into areas of unique competence that ITOCHU alone can provide. As a Group, we aim to utilize fully our comprehensive lateral strengths across the Division Companies to generate a net income of more than ¥100 billion steadily and sustainedly.