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**“Competing for Influence: Japan’s ODA in Preserving Ties with Indonesia
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I acknowledge that this undergraduate thesis still has deficiencies and it is possible that there are unintentional errors in the writing of this undergraduate thesis. However, I hope that this undergraduate thesis could be beneficial to the readers and contribute to the enhancement of knowledge in the field of international relations studies, specifically in regard to Japan’s Official Development Assistance (ODA) issues.

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