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Operational Guideline on Procedures for Government Procurement etc.
(Understanding among related ministries and agencies concerned in procurement)

1. In accordance with the provisions of the Protocol Amending the Agreement on Government Procurement (hereinafter the “Amendment Protocol”), done in Geneva on 30 March 2012 and by which the Agreement on Government Procurement, done in Marrakesh on 15 April 1994, was amended, the following Attachments from 1 to 6 as detailed in the table below are stipulated.

Attachment 1	Operational Guideline on Procedures for Government Procurement
Attachment 2	Procedures to Introduce Supercomputers
Attachment 3	Procedures for the Procurement of Non-R&D Satellites
Attachment 4	Measures Related to Japanese Public Sector Procurements of Computer Products and Services
Attachment 5	Measures on Japanese Public Sector Procurement of Telecommunications Products and Services
Attachment 6	Measures Related to the Japanese Public Sector Procurement of Medical Technology Products and Services

2. In accordance with the above, the items detailed below, which were decided by the Action Program Committee (established on 30 July 1985 by a decision of the Government-Ruling Parties Joint Headquarters for the Promotion of External Economic Measures) and the Action Program Committee (established by a cabinet decision on 13 August 1995; abolished 7 December 2012) (both referred to hereunder as the “Committee”) shall cease to be effective.

- Procedures to Introduce Supercomputers (19 April 1990) (Final Revision: 25 April 2005)
- Procedures for the Procurement of Non-R&D Satellites (14 June 1990)
- Understanding on Government Procurement (19 November 1991)
- Measures Related to Japanese Public Sector Procurements of Computer Products and Services (20 January 1992)
- Action Program on Government Procurement (3 February 1994)
- Procedures for Government Procurement on Products (Operational Guidelines) (28 March 1994)

- Measures on Japanese Public Sector Procurement of Telecommunications Products and Services (28 March 1994)
- Measures Related to Japanese Public Sector Procurement of Medical Technology Products and Services" (28 March 1994)
- Operational Guidelines with Respect to "Measures on Japanese Public Sector Procurement of Telecommunications Products and Services" (7 October 1994)
- Operational Guidelines with Respect to "Measures Related to Japanese Public Sector Procurement of Medical Technology Products and Services" (7 October 1994)
- Introduction of the Overall Greatest Value Evaluation Methodology to Procurement of Computer Products and Services (27 March 1995)
- Understanding on Government Procurement in the Service Sector (11 December 1995)

Supplementary Provision

This understanding shall be implemented from the day the Amendment Protocol enters into effect in Japan. However, the understanding detailed in 1. above shall not apply to notices that have been issued prior to the day of implementation and to work relating to contracts concluded after the day of implementation for which inducement to apply for contracts had been conducted prior to the day of implementation.