FACT SHEET: First Ministerial Meeting

of the Japan-U.S. Commercial and Industrial Partnership (JUCIP)

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Today, Secretary Gina M. Raimondo and Minister Hagiuda Koichi held the first Ministerial meeting of the Japan-U.S. Commercial and Industrial Partnership (JUCIP).

Since the launch of JUCIP on November 15, 2021, the Department of Commerce (DOC) and the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) have focused their collaboration in the four areas of semiconductors, export controls, digital economy, and trade and investment, to advance shared objectives under the <u>U.S.-Japan Competitiveness and Resilience (CoRe) Partnership</u> jointly established by the leaders of both countries in April 2021.

The Secretary and the Minister reaffirmed that deeper cooperation on commercial and industrial issues is critical to responding to threats to the global economic order. In addition to exchanging a wide range of views on how to expand the economic relationship between the United States and Japan, the Secretary and the Minister reviewed progress made to date under JUCIP and provided guidance to their respective teams on how to advance further cooperation, including by working with other like-minded countries.

The Secretary and the Minister concurred that ongoing cooperation and tangible achievements under JUCIP serve as a cornerstone of the new U.S.-Japan Economic Policy Consultative Committee (the Economic "2+2"), which President Biden and Prime Minister Kishida agreed to launch in January 2022 and will be led by DOC and METI along with the Department of State and Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

DOC and METI are pleased to report the following successes accomplished under JUCIP to date:

Semiconductors

- Joint development of Basic Principles on Semiconductor Cooperation, which identify a shared vision, objective and strategy for strengthening the resiliency of semiconductor supply chains. Under the Basic Principles, DOC and METI intend to cooperate on diversifying semiconductor production capacity, increasing transparency, coordinating emergency response on shortages, and strengthening semiconductor R&D and workforce development.

Export Controls

- Joint establishment of a Work Plan on Export Control Cooperation, which will further strengthen technical consultations on current and possible future legislative and regulatory developments, sensitive dual-use technologies, and advanced technologies that may be taken advantage of to further serious human rights violations and abuses.
- Identification of specific actions to be considered by both sides in 2022 and beyond, to advance export control cooperation with a view towards enhancing international security

while maintaining a level playing field for industry. This includes close cooperation between DOC and METI in coordinating export control sanctions in light of Russia's unjustifiable and unprovoked aggression against Ukraine.

- Joint initiation of a process to solicit inputs from a wide range of stakeholders from both industries on the export control issues discussed between DOC and METI.

Digital Economy

- Release by DOC, METI, and PPC (Personal Information Protection Commission of Japan) of a joint statement, together with Canada, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Singapore, and Chinese Taipei, establishing the Global Cross-Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) Forum on April 21, 2022. The new CBPR Forum will facilitate interoperability between data privacy regimes globally. DOC, METI, and PPC will continue to work together to coordinate bilateral and multilateral engagement to increase awareness of and encourage participation in the new Global CBPR Forum, as well as to develop a strategy to make the Global CBPR Forum an effective mechanism for trusted cross-border data transfers with other nations and regions.
- Decision to begin cooperation on the promotion of technologies for advanced communication networks in third countries (including 5G and ORAN-based systems), potential collaboration on 5G use cases and application technologies, and sharing of information and best practices on supply chains for telecom technology.
- Early discussion of potential areas of cooperation on standards related to Artificial Intelligence (AI), including identification of five areas of mutual interest related to bias, explainability, transparency, and risk management for bilateral cooperation.

Trade and Investment

- Successful execution of four seminars, with a focus on the promotion of hydrogen technology in the United States, since the September 2021 announcement by METI and the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) of the launch of the U.S. branch of the J-Bridge business matching program.
- Plans for a J-Bridge seminar on the digital sector, to be jointly held by DOC, METI, and JETRO in June 2022.
- Announcement by JETRO of spin-off business missions, consisting of potential Japanese investors, in conjunction with the SelectUSA Investment Summit 2022.
- Successful execution of a 2021 virtual clean energy investment opportunities event in cooperation with the Government of Indonesia, to support the introduction of clean energies in Indonesia. Over 370 participants representing nearly 170 private sector entities and 20 government agencies from the United States, Japan, and Indonesia attended the event, in which 14 U.S. and Japanese government organizations highlighted tools and support measures available to accelerate private sector clean energy investment.