

**Submission of information regarding views
about the basis upon which targets are to be adopted,
pursuant to decision X/3, A, paragraph 10**

Government of Japan

The Government of Japan has fully recognized the importance of the strategy of resource mobilization for accomplishing the three objectives of the Convention and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets. However, we consider rough and ready discussion for the modalities of implementation of the strategy be avoided, and objective discussion based on enough information/ data be preferred. In particular, it is quite important that examination and identification of “target level” shall be initiated only after some prerequisites referred to in COP10 decision, such as adoption of robust baseline, and adoption of effective reporting framework, will be fully satisfied. Moreover, the “targets” should be clearly defined before entering into the deliberation of the target level. The groundless target level, which some parties claimed in the course of discussions at COP10, is unacceptable.

Recent changes in the world economic situation, increasing difficulties in fiscal condition of donor countries in particular, must be taken into account when considering the target level. We therefore consider that following need to be emphasized and fully be recognized in discussions relevant to the strategy: 1) spontaneous efforts of developing countries; 2) contributions also from countries having achieved remarkable economic growth; and 3) utilization of private-sector funds.

The baseline in question must be based on appropriate and adequate information/ data. Having this in mind, and given the expected large amount of labor needed for domestic collection or arrangement for relevant information/ data by Parties, concrete work for such collection or arrangement should be requested to the Parties only after the completion of ongoing revision of the guidance of indicators.