

Japan's intervention at 64th WIPO Assemblies (July 6th-July 14th, 2023)

Agenda item 21: Assistance and Support for Ukraine's Innovation and Creativity Sector and Intellectual Property System (A/64/8)

Thank you, Madam Chair.

Japan appreciates the effort of the Secretariat for the report summarizing on its activities to assist and support Ukraine's innovation and creativity sector and Intellectual Property system. We see this report as a very response to the decision adopted last year.

We also welcome the commitment of the Secretariat to continuing its close cooperation with Ukraine as clearly stated in para.116 of the document. As clearly captured by the report, the creators, innovators, and members of the IP community in Ukraine have been severely damaged by the unjustified and unprovoked aggression by Russia. It is urged to ensure the ongoing support and assistance that provide concrete benefits and impacts, focusing on mitigating the adverse effects of the war and rebuilding an innovative and creative ecosystem in Ukraine that benefits all stakeholders and strengthens the country's economy. We look forward to continued following-up on this matter.

Before concluding our statement, Japan would like to reiterate our solidarity with the people of Ukraine and support rebuilding its IP infrastructure and the IP ecosystem.

I thank you, Madam Chair.