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Agenda item 10(iv): Report on the Committee on Development and Intellectual Property (CDIP) and Review of the Implementation of the Development Agenda Recommendations (WO/GA/57/6)

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

The delegation of Japan aligns itself with the statement made by the distinguished delegation of the Netherlands on behalf of Group B.

We would like to thank the Secretariat for preparing the report contained in the document WO/GA/57/6, and we greatly appreciate that WIPO has been steadily working toward implementing the Development Agenda recommendations. We attach great importance to development-related initiatives, including technical assistance and capacity-building.

Through the FIT Japan IP Global, we have been providing various types of assistance to developing countries all over the world in the field of IP. In addition, this year, WIPO and JPO agreed to strengthen cooperation in supporting SMEs, start-ups, and entrepreneurs in developing countries by sharing and utilizing the JPO's experience in IP start-up support programs in the field of intellectual property through the FIT Japan IP Global.

This delegation also has high expectations for WIPO GREEN, as Japan has the largest number of WIPO GREEN partners in the world. To further develop this platform, we should promote its utilization by creating best practices and sharing them with others. The JPO has been supporting the initiatives of the WIPO GREEN by utilizing the FIT Japan IP Global. In the Latin American Acceleration Project, 19 matches were recently established. In addition, the JPO supports WIPO GREEN Finance Initiatives which encourages connections between climate finance actors and entrepreneurs.

We would like to continue cooperating with WIPO and actively supporting its projects so that more and more matches will be established in the future. We look forward to working with many partners in this regard.

In order to protect IP, Japan recognizes the importance of conducting development-related activities effectively and efficiently, and in line with WIPO's objectives. Going forward, the government of Japan is committed to cooperating with WIPO to further improve its cooperative initiatives in order to ensure that FIT Japan IP Global is used even more efficiently

and effectively.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.