The Government of Japan would like to thank the Coordinator for preparing the meeting document CX/ASIA 12/18/13(Rev) which includes the draft Strategic Plan for CCASIA 2015-2020 and is pleased to provide the following comments in reply to the document. Our comments are presented in bold font with underline (addition) and strikethrough font (deletion).

GENERAL COMMENTS

It should be kept in mind that this strategic plan is for the Coordinating Committee for ASIA and thus should include items in line with the framework of CCASIA. Japan wishes a fruitful discussion at the forthcoming 18th CCASIA and, as a result, hopes the advancement of the CCASIA Strategic Plan. The CCASIA Strategic Plan should be in line with the Terms of Reference as written in page 185 of the 20th Edition of the Codex Procedural Manual and focus on items which are of great importance for CCASIA.

With regard to the “Potential Discussion Points for the Next Strategic Plan for CCASIA” in the document, Japan would like to generally support the timeframe, structure and elements of the draft Strategic Plan.

SPECIFIC COMMENTS

REPORTING FORM OF MONITORING OF IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR ASIA including STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES and ACTIONS

The name of a column “Criteria for Implementation” should read “Measurable Indicators/Output” (Rationale)

Items referred in this column are not criteria but rather indicators/output to monitor the status of implementation of the Strategic Plan.