



EMBASSY OF JAPAN
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Dear Colleague,

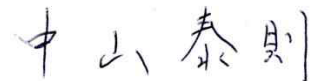
I am writing to share with you the results of the Second Japan-Australia-India-U.S. (Quad) Summit Meeting on September 24. After the summit, **Joint Statement and Fact Sheet (Attached) were released.**

The overview of the meeting is as follows.

1. The four leaders reaffirmed they will work toward the realization of a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific” for security and prosperity of the region. In this regard, they welcomed “EU Strategy for cooperation in the Indo-Pacific.”
2. With regard to the response to the COVID-19, the four leaders affirmed that the Quad countries play a major role to ensure equitable access to safe, effective, and quality-assured vaccine through vaccine supply and financing, and also concurred that they will continue to work together on the response to the COVID-19, including expansion of vaccine production and its supply to the Indo-Pacific region.
3. The four leaders confirmed the steady progress at the working groups on critical and emerging technologies and climate change. With regard to critical and emerging technologies, they adopted a statement “Quad Principles on Technology Design, Development, Governance, and Use (attached).” On clean energy, Prime Minister Suga announced Japan’s participation in “Global Methane Pledge,” which is led by President Biden.
4. The four leaders welcomed the progress in advancing practical cooperation among the four countries in various areas such as quality infrastructure, maritime security, counter-terrorism, cyber security, humanitarian assistance/disaster relief as before. They also concurred to launch working groups on space and cyber security, and to strengthen cooperation in areas of clean energy and people-to-people exchange.

5. With regard to the situation in Afghanistan, Prime Minister Suga pointed out the importance of ensuring the safe departure from the country of those who hope to do so, and the necessity for the international community to closely coordinate with each other in order not to allow Afghanistan to revert to a hotbed of terrorism ever. The four countries concurred to continue close coordination.
6. In the context of the East and South China Seas, Prime Minister Suga expressed serious concern for unilateral attempts to change the status quo by force and coercion. The four leaders concurred to facilitate collaboration to counter challenges to the maritime order based on rules such as international law including United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
7. The four leaders affirmed to maintain and strengthen the momentum of the cooperation among the four countries and concurred to hold the Japan-Australia-India-U.S. summit every year.

Sincerely,



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