We strongly acknowledged the secretariat efforts on making draft framework for Non State Actors. However, we would like to propose some amendments as below.

1. Secondments

In page 19, paragraph 46, "WHO does not accept secondments from non-State actors." should be deleted.

Rationale:

- We expect WHO continues to offer authoritative advice, based on the most updated science. When we look at our Ebola experience, the outbreak urged us to be more proactive in relationship with many entities, especially academic institutions. From this perspective, relationship with academic institutions should NOT be excluded for the sake of WHO as a technical organization. Therefore Japan wishes the secondment from academia should be accepted as far as proper steps are taken.

2. Advisory Group

In page 32, the paragraph 32 should be deleted.

Rationale:

- Advisory groups can benefit from the participation of appropriate private sector professionals in some technical topics. Therefore, we think that WHO should accept experts from private entities while ensuring transparency and appropriate management on conflicts of interest.

3. Additional Comments

- It is no doubt that international norms including international standards, codes and guidelines must be based on the latest scientific evidence. And it is also obvious that Non-state Actors including academia and private industrial entities often have superior scientific know-how and technologies than that of state actors. Therefore Japan believes that WHO cannot accomplish its normative function without their proper involvement. Japan would like to emphasis on the fact that building appropriate, cooperative relations with Non-State Actors is essential for the organization. Japan request secretariat and all member states to recall this principle when we discuss this issues and implement new

framework in the future.

- Regarding Non-ear-marked financial contributions from Non-State Actors, such contributions would possibly cause less conflict of interest against WHO compared to ear-marked contribution. Therefore Japan believes that we should discuss if we should deal with non-ear-marked contributions in a different manner from ear-marked contributions. We expect secretariat to include this agenda in the next working group.