



Delegation for relations with Japan

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MINUTES

of the meeting of 28 September 2011, from 16.15 to 17.15
Strasbourg

The meeting opened at 16.26 on Wednesday, 28 September 2011, with Johannes Cornelis van Baalen (Chair) in the chair.

1. Adoption of the draft agenda

The agenda was adopted without modifications.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 6 July 2011

The minutes were adopted without modifications.

3. Communications by the Chair

The Chair welcomes H.E. Mr. Kojiro SHIOJIRI, the Ambassador of Japan to the European Union and the other representatives of the Japanese Mission to the EU. He notes that unfortunately Commissioner De Gucht could not attend the meeting as initially scheduled due to last moment commitments in Brussels. He would probably attend one of the next meetings.

As no amendments were received by the Secretariat, Mr Van Baalen suggests considering the draft report of the 32nd EU - Japan IPM adopted.

Ms Kalniete, 1st Vice-Chair, points out the following:

- Necessity to speed up the pre-negotiations process in view of an EU-Japan FTA, identifying the best compromise solution for both sides;
- Sectorial approach/dialogue in the FTA consultations in order to better determine the key issues of concern;
- Invitation addressed to Mr Schweisgut, the EU Ambassador to Japan, to participate in one of the next Japan delegation meetings;
- Japan delegation Members should be allowed to join the AFET and INTA Delegations to

Japan;

- Organization of a Japanese Cultural event within the premises of the European Parliament.

4. Discussion on the Japanese delegation's visit in the framework of the preparatory meeting in view of the 33rd EU-Japan IPM, Strasbourg 25 - 27 October 2011

The Chair informs members that a delegation composed of 3 MPs from the House of Representatives will be visiting Strasbourg from 25 to 27 October 2011.

He suggests holding the preparatory meeting in view of the 33rd EU-Japan IPM on Wednesday afternoon 26 October from 15.00 to 18.15: two working sessions of 1 ½ hours each with a 15 minute break. The Members propose items for discussion such as: trade, with an emphasis on the FTA/EPA, science & technology, common research policy, energy policy and human rights. The participation of the relevant Commissioners was also suggested.

The following MEPs took the floor: Mr Malcolm Harbour, Ms Frieda Brepoels, and Mr Jens Geier.

Mr Shiojiri briefs Members on the latest developments in Japan: the new PM Noda is very committed to the relation with the EU, the industrial production is coming back to its values from before March 11th and the nuclear power plant is under control.

He emphasizes how important the EU support is for Japan in order to help it to open its society and market. In the context in which Japan has to overcome two different crises, one provoked by the disaster and the other of the financial markets, speeding up the discussions in view of the FTA becomes vital.

He agrees with the draft agenda suggested by the MEPs in view of the visit. He supports the organization of a Japanese cultural event in the EP premises commemorating one year remembrance of the earthquake and tsunami of 11 March 2011.

5. Discussion on the draft programme of activities for 2012

Mr Van Baalen informs members that:

- The 33rd EU-Japan IPM will be held in Brussels during weeks 17, 22 or 25.

- The preparatory visit in view of the 34th EU-Japan IPM will likely be held in Tokyo during week 44. As elections for the House of Councillors will take place in the summer 2012, the exact dates will be confirmed once the calendar of sittings 2012 of the Diet is known.

6. Any other business

None.

7. Date and place of next meeting

The next meeting will take place in Brussels on 11 October 2011 at 17.15 and it will be the preparatory meeting in view of the Japanese visit.

The meeting closed at 17.16.

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