Opening Remarks by Nobuteru Ishihara, Japanese Minister of the Environment, at ACE Club

Honorable Ministers, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

It is my great pleasure to welcome all eight signatory countries of the JCM.

It is the first occasion for all of us to come together.

As I mentioned in my official statement yesterday, Japan reaffirms the goal to reduce emissions by 50 percent at the global level and by 80 percent in the developed world by 2050.

Now is the time for Japan to take "Actions for a Cool Earth" or ACE. We will provide support to developing countries of about 16 billion US dollars in coming 3-years.

Japan will promote the application of Japanese low-carbon technologies around the world. In so doing, we will contribute to global emissions reductions through the use of the JCM.

Finally, I would like to conclude my remarks by expressing my resolve to take actions with all partner countries. Thank you for your attention.