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## UNSCEAR 2013 Report (1/9) Purpose of the Report

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- To present estimates of radiation doses and discuss implications for health for different population groups inside Japan, as well as in some neighboring countries, in light of the UNSCEAR's previous scientific assessments
- To identify gaps in knowledge for possible future follow-up and research

The UNSCEAR 2013 Report "Volume I, Scientific Annex A: Levels and Effects of Radiation Exposure due to the Nuclear Accident after the 2011 Great East-Japan Earthquake and Tsunami" was prepared for the following purposes.

• To evaluate information, mainly from 2011 and 2012, on the levels of radiation exposure due to the nuclear accident, and the associated effects and risks to human health and the effects on non-human biota

• To present estimates of radiation doses and discuss implications for health for different population groups inside Japan, and to a lesser degree in some neighboring countries, using data and information available to UNSCEAR, and against the backdrop of UNSCEAR's previous scientific assessments of effects of radiation on health and the environment from all sources, including accidents

· To identify gaps in knowledge for possible future follow-up and research

On the other hand, the following two are cited as what was not intended by this Report.

• To identify lessons or address policy issues with respect to human rights, public health protection, environmental protection, radiation protection, emergency preparedness and response, accident management, nuclear safety, and related issues

 $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  To provide advice to local governments, the Government of Japan or to national and international bodies

[Relevant parts in the reports]

• UNSCEAR Report (prepared based on paragraph 8 on page 26, Scientific Annex A (Japanese-language version)) (Original English version: paragraph 8 on page 27)

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