



**Joint Ministerial Statement by Japan and the Republic of Indonesia**  
**on the Substantial Conclusion of the Negotiations**  
**for the Protocol Amending Japan-Indonesia Economic Partnership Agreement**

16 December 2023

H.E. Ms. Kamikawa Yoko, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, and H.E. Mr. Zulkifli Hasan, the Minister of Trade of the Republic of Indonesia, are pleased to jointly announce that on this day of 16 December 2023, Japan and the Republic of Indonesia (hereinafter “Indonesia”), have substantially concluded the negotiations for the Protocol Amending Japan-Indonesia Economic Partnership Agreement (hereinafter “the Protocol”).

This statement is made on the occasion of the Japan-Indonesia Summit Meeting, between H.E. Mr. Kishida Fumio, Prime Minister of Japan, and H.E. Mr. Joko Widodo, President of the Republic of Indonesia, during his visit to Japan to attend the ASEAN-Japan Commemorative Summit.

The two Ministers acknowledge that the Protocol has been constructively negotiated with the aim of achieving a mutually beneficial economic partnership between Japan and Indonesia, by further facilitating the expansion of existing trade and economic cooperation with a view to increasing the economic growth in the two countries and promoting the partnership to benefit from an increasingly integrated global economy.

The two Ministers are convinced that the Protocol will improve the existing commitments between the two countries as comprehensive strategic partners and will also continue to provide a sound and comprehensive platform to promote trade and investment as well as to address economic matters arising in the bilateral relationship.

The two Ministers confirm that the negotiations of the Protocol have been substantially concluded. The two Ministers are committed to finalizing the remaining technical work to sign the Protocol and aiming to promptly complete the respective domestic procedures with the shared intention of bringing the Protocol into force as soon as possible.